

Board of Supervisors Meeting Minutes February 19, 2016

Board Members Present:

Richard Jones, President Belinda Ross, Vice President Jemmie Hageon, Secretary Pro Tem

Board Members Not Present:

Belva Hartsfield, Secretary-Treasurer Daryl Hart, Supervisor

ANRA Staff:

Kelley Holcomb, General Manager Dyan Stanford, Administration Division Manager Chris Key, Operations Division Manager

Guests:

N/A

- 1. <u>Call to order</u>: Mr. Richard Jones called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM.
- 2. Confirm quorum: Mr. Jones declared a quorum present.
- 3. <u>Invocation</u>: Mr. Jemmie Hageon gave the invocation at the request of Mr. Jones.
- 4. <u>Consideration and Approval of Meeting Minutes from September 8, 2015 Called Meeting</u>: Mrs. Belinda Ross motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mr. Hageon seconded the motion. All members voted in favor and the minutes were approved.
- 5. Consideration and Approval of the Engagement of Jansen and Gregorczyk for the performance of the FY 2015 Annual Financial Audit: Mr. Kelley Holcomb stated to the Board that Jansen and Gregorczyk is the same firm that has been doing the audit for Angelina County Fresh Water Supply District No. 1 (the District) for many years. Mrs. Ross questioned how much the fee has increased to perform the audit since last year. Mr. Holcomb responded that the fee has increased by \$200 from last year.

Mrs. Ross motioned to approve the engagement of Jansen and Gregorcyzk for the District's FY 2015 Annual Financial Audit. Mr. Hageon seconded the motion. All members voted in favor and the engagement was approved.

6. <u>Consideration and Approval of By-Laws Revision</u>: Mr. Holcomb explained to the Board that the changes being proposed are standard. With the current structure, the secretary is the only member able to sign off on many documents, so if that member is unavailable, the District's ability to conduct business could be limited. By combining the Secretary and Treasurer positions and then creating a new Secretary Pro Tem position who could serve in the absence of the Secretary/Treasurer, the District can still function even when members are absent. The new Secretary Pro Tem position will act in the absence of the Secretary-Treasurer, just as the Vice-President acts in the President's absence.

Mrs. Ross motioned to approve the by-laws revision as presented. Mr. Hageon seconded the motion. All members voted in favor and the revision was approved.

7. Consideration and Approval of an Application for Exemption from the District's requirement to connect to the Sanitary Sewer: Mr. Holcomb presented the Board with information regarding the residence at 533 Ruth Lane. Mrs. Dorsey is applying for an exemption for a new home that had a septic system put in back in 2014. They have been paying the bill since the beginning for sewer, however the septic system that was installed was brand new in 2014. Historically the Board has approved a 10 year exemption with a refund of the payments received up to the date of application for exemption.

Mrs. Ross motioned to approve the exemption for 533 Ruth Lane for 10 years, with a refund of any payments received after the application for exemption was submitted. Mr. Hageon seconded the motion. All members voted in favor and the exemption was approved.

8. Consideration and Approval of an Order Calling the Supervisor Election in May 2016:

Mr. Holcomb noted to the Board that potential candidates had until 5:00 PM today to submit their application for a place on the Ballot for Board election purposes. No other applications were received except by current Board members seeking re-election. The order presented calls the election with the condition that if it is unopposed because no write-in candidates are received, then it will be cancelled.

Mrs. Ross motioned to approve the order as presented. Mr. Hageon seconded the motion. All members voted in favor and the order was approved.

9. <u>Establish Date, Time and Agenda Items for the Next Meeting</u>: Mr. Holcomb stated that he recently had suggested to the engineers to have the public meeting on the upcoming sewer project on March 1st. However, there is a conflict so further discussions will occur

to determine the date. Mr. Holcomb introduced new employee, Chris Key, Angelina & Neches River Authority's new Operations Division Manager to the Board. Mr. Jones reminded the Board that Love's Truck Stop is coming out on US 59 and FM 2021. Mr. Holcomb agreed and stated that Love's annual sewer bill will involve around \$36,000 per year. Mr. Jones also noted that Redland School will be connecting to the new sewer line, and Mr. Holcomb stated that Redland's sewer bill will be around \$6,000 per year. Mr. Jones highlighted that Mr. Holcomb is preparing ANRA's sewer plant for the project. Mrs. Ross asked if the project will have a groundbreaking, which Mr. Holcomb agreed would be a good idea. Mr. Holcomb will contact Representative Trent Ashby and Senator Robert Nichols to come out. Mr. Jones stated that the groundbreaking will hopefully occur in July.

A discussion occurred regarding preparation for the upcoming public meeting.

10. <u>Closure of Business</u>: Mr. Jones adjourned the meeting at 5:45 PM.

APPROVED THIS 19th DAY OF APRIL, 2016.

ATTEST:

Richard Jones, President

Jemmie Hageon, Secretary Pro Tem