

A Regular Meeting of the San Patricio County Navigation District No. 1 was held on Tuesday, May 14, 2019 in the Harbor West Office Building, 426 Ransom Island Drive, Aransas Pass, Texas 78336. A notice of the meeting was posted 72 hours in advance in accordance with Section 551, Texas Government Code. Chairman J.M. Attaway, Commissioner Richard Palmietto and Secretary Hector Rios were present. Also, present were Attorney Allen Lawrence, Commissioner Precinct #4 Howard Gillespie and Office Manager Yvonne Stonebraker. Harbor Manager James Hale was absent.

PUBLIC NOTICE IS GIVEN THAT THE SAN PATRICIO COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MAY ELECT TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION ANYTIME DURING THE MEETING TO DISCUSS MATTERS LISTED ON THE AGENDA, WHEN AUTHORIZED BY THE PROVISIONS OF THE OPENING MEETINGS ACT, CHAPTER 551 OF THE TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE. IN THE EVENT THE NAVIGATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS ELECTS TO GO INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION REGARDING AN AGENDA ITEM, THE SECTION OR SECTIONS OF THE OPEN MEETINGS ACT AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTIVE SESSION WILL BE PUBLICLY ANNOUNCED BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER:

551.071 - CONSULT WITH ATTORNEY(S) INCLUDING MATTERS RELATED TO LITIGATION; 551.072 - DELIBERATION REGARDING REAL PROPERTY; 551.073 - DELIBERATION REGARDING PROSPECTIVE GIFT(S) OR DONATION(S); 551.074 - DELIBERATION REGARDING PERSONNEL MATTER; INCLUDING TERMINATION; 551.076 - DELIBERATION REGARDING SECURITY DEVICES AND SECURITY AUDITS; AND, 551.87 - DELIBERATION REGARDING ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS

UPON COMPLETION OF THE EXECUTIVE SESSION, THE SAN PATRICIO COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT COMMISSIONERS MAY, IN AN OPEN SESSION, TAKE SUCH ACTION AS APPROPRIATE ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN AN EXECUTIVE SESSION.

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER.

Chairman Attaway called the meeting to order at 1.30 P.M.

2. TENANT'S COMMENTS. (TENANTS COMMENTS IS INTENDED FOR MATTERS THAT ARE NOT SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA. A RECORDING IS MADE OF THE MEETING SO PLEASE STATE YOUR NAME AND SLIP NUMBER.)

On February 12, 2019 at 12:11 P.M., Office Manager Stonebraker sent out a Call Multiplier message regarding codes to the new West Harbor Restrooms/Showers. The message stated the new restroom/showers were open and were for the tenants and their families only and asked to please not give out the codes.

Slip A-01 – Mr. Dean Thomas was sent a letter regarding Mr. Thomas giving out the bathroom codes to his clients. He asked why the bathroom was built that no one can use.

Chairman Attaway stated the restrooms were built for tenants and their families only and there was a public restroom facility on East Harbor by the park.

Mr. Thomas stated he is at the Navigation District every day and the place is deserted during the week. He stated on Saturday's the Navigation District is chaos with no management on duty. Mr. Thomas stated he had given the code to only one person who was a nine-year-old boy. He stated he has since stayed away from the bathroom. He also stated he had been threatened with eviction and asked if that was a form letter to be sent to everybody giving out the bathroom code or was it just directed at him.

Secretary Rios stated everyone who is caught giving out the restroom codes would receive the same letter.

Mr. Thomas stated he often had ladies on his boat and bathrooms were very important to ladies and the Navigation District built a bathroom that no one can use.

Commissioner Palmietto stated the restroom/shower was a sore spot for him. He stated the Navigation District spent extra money getting the restrooms up and running. He stated he knows how Mr. Thomas feels. Commissioner Palmietto stated he has had to utilize the Conn Brown Harbor restrooms. He stated the only drawback was maintaining the restroom/shower facility. Commissioner Palmietto believes there is some compromise everyone could agree on. He stated maybe Mr. Thomas could go open the door for his clients (instead of giving out code).

Mr. Thomas stated he had recently moved to A-01 from A-31. He stated trash always gathers in the corners. He stated when he was in slip A-31 he had complained about the garbage gathering by his boat and was brought a long-handled net and a trashcan by Mr. Joe Narvaez (retired Harbor Manager). He stated between him and tenants in A-32 (Burns) they would remove the garbage that gathered in the corner by their boats for 2 years. Ms. Carrie Scruggs stated she removed garbage, too. He stated after moving to A-01, he asked Yvonne for a long-handled net and trash can and to this day still hadn't received them.

Commissioner Palmietto stated this was nonsense and needed to end. Mr. Palmietto proposed that if his (Mr. Thomas) clients need to use the bathroom, he (Mr. Thomas) would be the person to open the door and would be responsible for any messes made by said clients.

Secretary Rios agreed with Commissioner Palmietto. Secretary Rios stated the clients Mr. Thomas brings in could be future tenants with nice boats.

Ms. Carrie Scruggs stated she had personally been a tenant with the Navigation District for 15 years and has a close-knit community that loves one another and attend picnics, parties and loved one's funerals and should be given a lot more respect. She stated she feels the letter sent to Mr. Thomas was really directed at her.

Secretary Rios stated if there needed to be a public apology given, he would give it. He stated the letter was given for the issue and not the person and stated he didn't know that was how they felt. He stated for public record, he would like to apologize to Mr. Dean Thomas and Ms. Carrie Scruggs and again the letter was for the issue and not the person.

Secretary Rios would like to have an agenda item on the June agenda regarding tenants letting their friends, clients, etc. use the West Harbor restroom/shower facility and tenants would be responsible for messes, etc.

3. CONSIDER AND ACT ON REGULAR MINUTES OF APRIL 9, 2019.

Secretary Rios made a motion to approve the Regular Minutes of April 9, 2019. Chairman Attaway seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

4. CONSIDER AND ACT ON TREASURER'S REPORT FOR APRIL 2019.

Secretary Rios made a motion to approve the Treasurer's Report for April 2019. Commissioner Palmietto seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDER AND ACT ON REVISING THE EMPLOYEES TEXAS COUNTY AND DISTRICT RETIREMENT SYSTEM PLAN ASSESSMENT FOR PLAN YEAR 2020.

Chairman Attaway made a motion to approve no revision to the employees Texas County and District Retirement System Plan Assessment for Plan Year 2020. Secretary Rios seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

6. CONSIDER AND ACT ON ADDING THE WEST HARBOR FISH CLEANING STATION TO WESTON INSURANCE POLICY – ACCOUNT NO. CTA000170011302 FOR \$1,055; PER FEMA REQUIREMENT.

According to 44 CFR 206.253(d) – (“Code of Federal Regulations; Title 44. Emergency Management and Assistance; §206.253 - Insurance requirements for facilities damaged by disasters other than flood; (d) The requirements of section 311 of the Stafford Act are waived when eligible costs for an insurable facility do not exceed \$5,000. The Regional Administrator may establish a higher waiver amount based on hazard mitigation initiatives which reduce the risk of future damages by a disaster similar to the one which resulted in the major disaster declaration which is the basis for the application for disaster assistance.”) the San Patricio County Navigation District will need to obtain and maintain windstorm insurance on the West Harbor Fish Cleaning Station in the amount of \$5,392.04.

Secretary Rios made a motion to add \$5,392.04 worth of wind insurance for the West Harbor Fish Cleaning Station to Weston Insurance Policy – Account No. CTA000170011302 for a cost of \$1,055; per FEMA requirement. Commissioner Palmietto seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

7. CONSIDER AND ACT ON REQUEST OF DAVID FONNER, F-02, FOR A STORAGE BUILDING AT HIS SLIP.

Commissioner Palmietto made a motion to approve the request of David Fonner, F-02, for a storage building at his slip. Secretary Rios seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

8. CONSIDER AND ACT ON A TIME CLOCK FOR THE SAN PATRICIO COUNTY NAVIGATION DISTRICT EMPLOYEES.

No action taken.

9. CONSIDER AND ACT ON COVERED PICNIC TABLES FOR SAN PATRICIO COUNTY NAVIGATION

DISTRICT WEST HARBOR.

No action taken. (Only 2 proposals received)

10. CONSIDER AND ACT ON THE HARBOR MANAGER'S REPORT.

Harbor Manager James Hale out. Report given by Office Manager:

- Harbor Manager Hale is absent from work and Mr. Joe Narvaez is filling in for him. Mr. Narvaez is working Monday through Friday, 6 am to 9 am.
- Harbor Manager Hale had surgery on April 18, 2019 and is expected back on May 20, 2019.

Tenants accounts receivable:

- There are no slips available.
- 7 tenants are behind on 1st quarter payments.
- 1 tenant behind on 2 quarter payments

Office Manager Report:

- Mr. Len Barton reserved the transient dock slip for April 20 & 21. On the way here, Mr. Barton's vessel broke down and was hauled in by Tow Boat U.S. and stayed for 8 days. Mr. Barton wrote a review in Waterway Guide Explorer about his experience at the San Patricio County Navigation District. (Waterway Guide Website quote, "The Explorer provides boaters with a simplified environment for planning trips by providing content that is relevant and verified. Navigation Alerts, Anchorages, Marinas, Fuel Prices, Bridges and Locks are the primary categories of information offered.")
- Recovery Transition Meeting with FEMA was held Tuesday, April 16. The Navigation District completed projects are Piling, supports & hardware; Fish cleaning station (West Harbor); Lighting & waterlines; Chain link fence & signs; Covered Sections A & B; Pavilions, playground equipment & pier; Perimeter fence and, Fire extinguishers. The Navigation District is still working to complete Office manager office; Harbor manager office; Security cameras; and, Asphalt repair (East Harbor.) To date, the San Patricio County Navigation District #1 has received \$193,303.95 from FEMA for Hurricane Harvey (08/25/2017) repairs.

11. REVIEW AND DISCUSS TENANT'S ACCOUNTS RECEIVABLE AGING SUMMARY AND, OFFICE MANAGERS REPORT.

Discussed during Agenda Item #10.

12. REVIEW AND DISCUSS FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.


- Tenants can give out West Harbor Restroom codes but will be responsible for damages that occur.
- Employee time clocks
- Covered picnic tables
- TX GLO program for derelict boats

13. ADJOURNMENT.

Chairman Attaway adjourned the meeting at 2:12 P.M.



Board Secretary



Office Secretary

Approved during the meeting held on June 11, 2019.