## MINUTES OF VIDEOCONFERENCE MEETING NO. 2421 COMMISSIONERS OF JEFFERSON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 7

Phil Kelley, General Manager

Glenn Steele, Attorney for the District

Place:

3400 Hwy 73

Port Arthur, Texas

Date:

June 18, 2024

Present:

Commissioners

Richard Beaumont

James Gamble, Sr. Lester Champagne Matthew Vincent

Absent:

Albert Moses, Jr.

Visitors:

Allen Sims, DD7 Toby Davis, DD7 Garrett Boudoin, DD7 Kirby Johnson, DD7

Barron Cook, DD7
Brady Girouard, DD7
Brian McZeal, DD7

Becky Ames, Griffith, Moseley, Johnson and Associates, Inc.

Prince Evans, GP Evans Contractors

The meeting was called to order at 2:00 p.m. by Chairman Beaumont after ascertaining that the Notice of Meeting had been posted in accordance with the law. Commissioner Vincent gave the invocation.

# Minutes of Meeting No. 2420

The Minutes of Meeting No. 2420 was approved as read.

Consider Pay Request No. 2 to Inland Environmental for Asbestos Abatement/Demolition of Former Taft Elementary School

A recommendation letter was submitted by Barron Cook, P.E. for Pay Request No. 2 to Inland Environments Ltd. for the Asbestos Abatement/Demolition of the Former Taft Elementary School in the amount of Ninety-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Three and 20/100 (\$93,823.20) Dollars. The Contractor is requesting payment for the completion

of asbestos abatement and partial demolition of the school building. 83% of the work has been completed using 44% of the contract's working days. Commissioner Gamble moved to approve Pay Request No. 2 to Inland Environments Ltd. for the Asbestos Abatement/Demolition of the Former Taft Elementary School in the amount of Ninety-Three Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-Three and 20/100 (\$93,823.20) Dollars. Commissioner Vincent seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project Summary

Mr. Allen Sims stated there is no significant construction progress to report. Mr. Sims attended a Gulf Coast Protection District meeting last week. Although no industrial waste was found at the Valero site, the District needs a remediation procedure in case industrial waste is discovered during the project's construction phase. The District's environmental consultants suggested recycling, which is removing the contaminated soil, treating it, and selling it. A meeting was held with Chevron representatives regarding upcoming projects on their property located along the District's levee.

## Manager Reports

Mr. Phil Kelley presented the financial statements prepared by FMW, P.C. for the period ending May 31, 2024, and gave a collateral securities report as of May 31, 2024.

<u>Executive Session – Pursuant to Sections 551.071, Texas Government Code, Regarding Contemplated Litigation, and 551.072, Texas Government Code, Regarding Property Acquisitions</u>

At 2:09 p.m., the Commissioners entered an Executive Session regarding potential litigation and property acquisitions.

At 2:55 p.m., the meeting returned to its regular session.

#### Consider and Take Action, if any, on Items Discussed in Executive Session

Commissioner Vincent motioned to approve counsel's recommendation for the Department of Justice's participation on behalf of the U.S. Army Corps. of Engineers in reference to the Star Lake Superfund Site. Commissioner Champagne seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Commissioner Champagne motioned to authorize the Manager to accept an offer of \$550,000 to purchase 80.62 acres of land from OCI Clean Ammonia, LLC subject to a terms and conditions agreement regarding public/private water detention. Commissioner Gamble seconded the motion. The motion carried.

#### Checks & Purchase Orders

Maintenance Fund

<u>Ck. No. 24578 – Groves Equipment Rental Co., Inc.</u> \$2,022.00 – 15 Ton Crane Rental - 6/17/24 – 7/16/24

<u>Ck. No. 24579 – 4 Horn Industrial</u> \$1,089.65 – Concrete Saw & Blade Rental – Vehicle Shed Project

Ck. No. 24580 – Airgas USA, LLC \$405.48 – Multiple Cylinder Rentals

<u>Ck. No. 24581 – Allied Electrical Systems</u> \$746.00 – Fire Extinguisher Recharge & Hydrotest

<u>Ck. No. 24582 – Blue Cross Blue Shield</u> \$330.78 – Health Insurance Payments

<u>Ck. No. 24583 – Environmental Tree Service</u> \$4,200.00 – Tree Service – 7070 Willow, Groves

<u>Ck. No. 24584 – Cintas Corp.</u> \$53.00 – Traffic Mats & Hand Sanitizer – Administrative Building

<u>Ck. No. 24585 – DE Corp</u> \$185.99 – Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project

<u>Ck. No. 24586 – Duck's Dragline Service, Inc.</u> \$10,250.00 – Trackhoe & Operator - PS17 & Vehicle Shed Ck. No. 24587 - FMW, P.C.

\$2,300.00 - Accounting Services

Ck. No. 24588 - Function 4 LLC

\$402.81 - Konmin Copier Lease Payment

Ck. No. 24589 - GFL Plant Services, LP

\$10,302.17 - Holding Tank & Rollbox Rental - Multiple Pump Stations

Ck. No. 24590 - GP Evans Contractors

\$19,703.31 - Seasonal Mowing Services

Ck. No. 24591 - H.B. Neild & Sons, Inc.

\$33,740.00 - Main C Extension Improvement

Ck. No. 24592 - Honesty Environmental Services, Inc.

\$270.00 - Asbestos Sampling - Groves Detention HMGP Project

Ck. No. 24593 - Inland Environments, LTD

\$93,823.20 - Taft Elementary School Demolition Contract

Ck. No. 24594 - Jefferson Central Appraisal District

\$89,317.19 - 3rd Quarter Allocations

Ck. No. 24595 - Jeffrey S. Ward & Associates, Inc.

\$2,500.00 - Rodair Gully Detention HMGP Project

Ck. No. 24596 - Kyla Dean

\$1,112.64 - TWCA Conference Travel Reimbursement

Ck. No. 24597 – LJA Engineering, Inc.

\$13,422.12 – Stormwater Management, Data Collection, Rodair Gully HMGP, PS #5, FRM Study

Ck. No. 24598 - LJA Environmental Services, LLC

\$9,267.50 - A-3-A and Groves Detention HMGP Projects

Ck. No. 24599 - Performance Blasting & Coating

\$5,076.00 - Material & Labor - Blast & Coat Oil Drum Containment Bins & Engine Stands

Ck. No. 24600 - Phil Kelley

\$406.61 - TWCA Conference Travel Reimbursement

Ck. No. 24601 – Sam & Tash Services, Inc.

\$1,569.62 - Janitorial Services for Administration Building

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Ck. No. 24602 - Thorpe Plant Services, Inc. \$168.04 - Monthly Scaffold Rental - PS#10

<u>Ck. No. 24603 – Tower Medical Center of Nederland</u> \$1,000.00 – Pre-Employment Physicals

<u>Ck. No. 24604 – TXCPA</u> \$295.00 – 2024-2025 Membership Dues -Alexandra Thibodeaux

<u>Ck. No. 24605 – United of Omaha</u> \$2,186.50 – Health Insurance Payments

<u>Ck. No. 24606 – X-S Electronics</u> \$3,455.00 – Replacement Batteries - Load Test - Backup System Control

**GLO Fund** 

<u>Ck. No. 5076 – LJA Environmental Services</u> \$2,363.41 – Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project

<u>Ck. No. 5077 – Texan Engineering</u> \$21,052.50 – Sabine Pass to Galveston Bay Project

Commissioner Vincent moved that the checks from the Maintenance Fund and GLO Fund accounts be approved for payment. Commissioner Champagne seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Chairman Beaumont asked if there was any other business to come before the Board.

There was none.

At 3:02 p.m., Commissioner Vincent moved that the meeting be adjourned. Commissioner Gamble seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Richard Beaumont, Chairman

Matthew Vincent, Assistant Secretary