

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
CAMERON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 5  
August 13, 2024**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Cameron County Drainage District No. 5 convened on August 13, 2024, at 8:00 a.m. at the office of the District pursuant to notice duly given as required by law. Present were Directors Steve Jennings, Jerome Wade and Nicholas Consiglio, General Manager Rolando Vela, Assistant General Manager Veronica Larraga, District Attorney Buddy R. Dossett, and GIS Specialist Eloy Macias. Also in attendance were Alan Moore, Johnny Mendez, and Alfonso Quintanilla. President Jennings called the meeting to order and presided.

Item 1 Pledge of Allegiance

Item 2 Minutes. The Minutes of the July 23, 2024, meeting were presented and reviewed. The motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio that the Minutes of the July 23, 2024, meeting be approved. Following a discussion, the motion carried.

Item 3 No one was present to discuss items not on the agenda.

Item 4 Subdivisions.

**BARRON ESTATES SUBDIVISION** (Being 6.03 acres of land out of Lot Twenty One (21), of the Howard Dixieland Heights Subdivision No. 2) – Water will be provided by Harlingen Waterworks System. Detention is proposed to be provided on each lot and it be privately maintained. Discharge from the lots fronting Tucker Road will be to Tucker Road and the third lot will discharge into the Dixieland Main lateral along the east boundary. The discharge pipe from the easterly lot will require a license agreement. Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to approve the preliminary plat. Following a discussion, the motion carried.

**COMBES ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORP SUBDIVISION** (Being a 13.46 acre tract of land, more or less, out of Block Eight (8), David and Stephenson Subdivision) – There is a water line and sanitary sewer line in FM 508 to serve the property. Detention is proposed to be provided on each lot and is unclear whether it will be privately maintained. Discharge from the lots fronting FM 508 is to a detention basin within a drainage easement at the rear of the lots, which will discharge into the Combes Detention Basin. There is no detention proposed for Lot 4. Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to deny this plat. Following a discussion, the motion carried.

**THE ROCKING “T” RANCH SUBDIVISION** (12.458 acres of land out of Block 1, F.H. Handley Subdivision) – Water will be provided by Harlingen Waterworks System and sanitary sewerage will be treated by on site systems. Detention is proposed to be provided within the proposed right of way for Paloma Lane and Garrett Road. Motion was made by

Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to approve the preliminary plat. Following a discussion, the motion carried.

**SAN MARCOS SUBDIVISION NO. 3** (A 19.00 acre tract of land being a part of portion out of Block 29, Wilson Tract Subdivision) – Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio and passed, to deny this plat.

- Item 5 Cost sharing.  
Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to approve cost share request on the drainage pipe upgrade for San Marcos Subdivision No. 3 up to \$15,820. Following a discussion, the motion carried.
- Item 6 Audit Services.  
Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to engage with Robert Lopez, CPA P.C. to perform auditing services for the budget fiscal year ending on September 30, 2024, for a fee up to \$12,700.
- Item 7 Bond.  
Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio and passed to ratify bond payment in the amount of \$200,175 made on July 29, 2024.
- Item 8 Subdivision Plat Fees.  
Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to amend the current policy on subdivision plat fees, subject to language by the District's attorney. Following a discussion, the motion passed.
- Item 9 District Investment Policy.  
Motion was made by Nicholas Consiglio, seconded by Jerome Wade and passed, to approve Quarterly Investment Report.
- Item 10 Financial Statements.  
Motion was made by Nicholas Consiglio, seconded by Jerome Wade to approve District Nine Months Financial Statements ending June 30, 2024. After discussion, the motion carried.
- Item 11 FY 2024 – 2025 Budget and Tax Rate. Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio and passed to approve the following:
- 11.1 Proposed budget for Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2024, and ending September 30, 2025
  - 11.2 Proposed tax rate for the year 2024
  - 11.3 Schedule a public hearing on the proposed budget and tax rate. Public hearing scheduled for August 27, 2024, at 8:00 a.m., at the District office.
- Item 12 Report
- 12.1 Manager
    - 12.1.1 Bank Stabilization Grant Opportunity – Mr. Vela reported that he would be meeting and taking a field tour with representatives from NRCS to do a possible assessment of banks of the North Main Drain to see if it is eligible for additional funding.

12.1.2 BUS 77/UPRR Project Update: We are still waiting to hear back on status of grant application.

12.2 District Engineer – Engineer Brown was not present.

12.3 District Attorney – No additional report.

Item 13 Payment of Accounts, Wages, and Director’s Services. The motion was made by Jerome Wade and seconded by Nicholas Consiglio that these checks be issued:

CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE FUND

Ck No. 5094	Steven Jennings	\$	277.05
Ck No. 5095	Jerome Wade		277.05
Ck No. 5096	Nicholas Consiglio		138.53
Ck No. 5097	Buddy R. Dossett		470.00
Ck No. 5098	SOG Properties, LLC		1,700.00
Ck No. 5099	Veronica Larraga		2,153.73
Ck No. 5100	Rolando Vela		3,587.32
Ck No. 5101	Eloy S. Macias		1,900.35
Ck No. 5102	Alan Moore		1,000.00
Ck No. 5103	Wells Fargo Financial Leasing, Inc.		162.00
Ck No. 5104	CyberNation		6.80
Ck No. 5105	Rolando Vela		926.31
Ck No. 5106	Harlingen Irrigation District No.1		57,393.74
Ck No. 5107	360 Drone Mapping, LLC		1,690.00
Ck No. 5108	CyberNation		120.00
Ck No. 5109	WM Corporate Services, Inc.		768.50
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE FUND			<u>\$ 72,571.38</u>

Following a discussion, the motion carried.

Item 14 Executive Session. None

Item 15 Action on items in Executive Session. None

Item 16 Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

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Jerome Wade, Secretary

ATTEST:

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Steven Jennings, President