

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
CAMERON COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 5  
January 28, 2025**

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Cameron County Drainage District No. 5 convened on January 28, 2025, 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, District Engineer Jack L. Brown, Special Projects Director Bryanna Woodman, and GIS Specialist Eloy Macias. President Jennings called the meeting to order and presided.

Item 1 Pledge of Allegiance

Item 2 Minutes. The Minutes of January 14, 2025, meeting were presented and reviewed. The motion was made by Steven Jennings seconded by Nicholas Consiglio that the Minutes of the January 14, 2025, 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

4.1 KAPLAN SUBDIVISION (A 3.63 acre tract of land, more or less, out of a certain 5.133 acres of Block Seven (7), Harlingen Land & Water Company Subdivision "B") – Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to approve the preliminary plat. Following a discussion, the motion carried.

4.2 HAND VILLAGE (A 15.62 acre tract of land, out of Block Two (2), Wilson Tract Subdivision) – Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to approve the preliminary plat. A license agreement for the outfall is required. Following a discussion, the motion carried.

4.3 TUSCANY HILLS SUBDIVISION (Being a 73.79 acre tract of land, more or less, out of and forming a part of Blocks 28, 36, and 37, Palmetal Subdivision) No action was taken.

Item 5 Deliberations about Real Property:

5.1.1 Deliberations about Real Property– Bus. 77/UPRR Crossing Improvements. .500 acres out of Block 61, David and Stephenson Subdivision. The Board did not go into closed session.

5.1.2 Bus. 77/UPRR Crossing Improvements - .500 acres out of Block 61, David and Stephenson Subdivision. Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to offer the property owners \$2,000 to hold the property for the appraised market value. Following a discussion, the motion carried.

- 5.2.1 Deliberations about Real Property - Bus. 77/UPRR Crossing Improvements. A tract of land in Lot 1, Block 1, R A Billups Subdivision. The Board did not go into closed session.
- 5.2.2 Bus. 77/UPRR Crossing Improvements - A tract of land in Lot 1, Block 1, R A Billups Subdivision. – Motion was made by Jerome Wade, seconded by Nicholas Consiglio to offer the property owners \$2,000 to hold the property for the appraised market value. Following a discussion, the motion carried.

Item 6 City of Primera Donation  
 Motion was made by Nicholas Consiglio, seconded by Jerome Wade to authorize Attorney Dossett to write the deed for the donation of the 5 acres of land east of Richmond Hills Subdivision that the District accepted from the City of Primera on June 25, 2024. Following a discussion, the motion carried.

Item 7 Report

- 7.1 Manager
  - 7.1.1 Rules - Manager Vela reported that a notice to adopt District Rules has been placed in the newspaper.
  - 7.1.2 Manager Vela reported that Small Cities Coalition Day at the Capitol is on February 26, 2025. Over 10 local cities have come to work together with a legislative agenda that focuses on drainage, water, and parks.
  - 7.1.3 Manager Vela reported that Harlingen Day at the Capitol is on March 5, 2025.
  - 7.1.4 Levee Certification Grant – Manager Vela reported that the District will be submitting a grant application. It is a 60% grant to 40% local match. Manager Vela will work with the county, municipalities and other districts that will benefit from this project to help secure the cost of the 40% local match.
- 7.2 District Engineer
  - 7.2.1 FIF Projects – If the District enters into interlocal agreements for detention construction, Engineer Brown reported on the importance of detailed billing required for grant reimbursement purposes.
- 7.3 District Attorney
  - 7.3.1 Attorney Dossett reported that the deed for Daniel Castro is ready for signature.

Item 8 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. 5285	Rolando Vela	\$ 3,658.99
Ck No. 5286	Veronica Larraga	2,224.78
Ck No. 5287	Eloy S. Macias, Jr.	1,961.99
Ck No. 5288	Bryanna Woodman	2,009.87
Ck No. 5289	BCBSTX	5,021.41
Ck No. 5290	Dearborn Life Insurance Company	14.20
Ck No. 5291	Charter Communications	145.58
Ck No. 5292	La Feria Irrigation District No. 3	17,085.00

Ck No. 5293	City of Palm Valley	45,000.00
Ck No. 5294	Scheibe Consulting, LLC	34,421.25
Ck No. 5295	Scheibe Consulting, LLC	26,530.25
Ck No. 5296	Scheibe Consulting,, LLC	11,620.00
Ck No. 5297	WM Corporate Service, Inc.	1,846.22
Ck No. 5298	CyberNation	1,140.00
Ck No. 5299	Cameron County Drainage District No. 6	75,000.00
Ck No. 5300	Robinson, Duffy & Barnard, LLP	6,700.00
Ck No. 5301	Bryanna Woodman	120.00
Ck No. 5302	Veronica Larraga	68.70
Ck No. 5303	Rolando Vela	274.89
Ck No. 5304	Rolando Vela	200.00
Ck No. 5305	Veronica Larraga	200.00
TCDRS (ACH Debit)		4,322.27
Electronic Federal Tax Payment System		<u>6,799.02</u>
TOTAL CONSTRUCTION & MAINTENANCE		<u>\$ 246,364.42</u>

Following a discussion, the motion carried.

Item 9 There were no non-action items discussed.

Item 10 Adjournment. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:31 a.m.

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Jerome Wade, Secretary

ATTEST:

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Steven Jennings, President