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HARRIS COUNTY WATER CONTROL
AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT NO. 132

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The Board of Directors of Harris County Water Control and Improvement District No. 132 met in special session at the designated meeting place of the Board, the Harris County W.C.I.D. No. 132 Water Plant, 4107 Evening Trail, Spring, Texas 77388, on the 10th day of September 2009, at 10:00 a.m. The roll was called of the duly constituted officers and members of the Board, to-wit:

Thomas Mancini	President
T. Gary Toll	Vice President
William R. Papp	Secretary
Robert "Bob" Daniel	Assistant Secretary

All members of the Board were present, except Dir. Daniel, thus constituting a quorum. Also present were Carol Fraser, master gardener; Barbara Payne of Payne Communications, the District's media consultant ("media consultant;") and Sherry Allard, the District's Recording Secretary ("Recording Secretary.")

President Mancini called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m., with the following HC WCID #132 Water Conservation, Demonstration and Research Center business being conducted.

The President recognized Dir. Papp, who moved to interrupt the agenda in order to recognize Ms. Fraser. Dir. Toll seconded, upon which the Board voted its unanimous consent.

DISCUSS LANDSCAPE GARDEN, APPROVE PROJECTS RELATED TO LANDSCAPE GARDEN AND AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES RELATED THERETO

The President recognized Ms. Fraser, who presented to the Board a report of hours spent from the month of March through August 2009, noting payments made during such time. She informed the Board that while she was absent recently, she has been, and will continue to work, additional hours to more than make up for the down time. The Board stated they were fine with the matter and are aware of the additional hours that will be required in the future as installation of portions of the garden progresses. It was noted that her hours would be a consideration when budgeting for garden expenses in the future.

STATUS REPORT ON DEBLIVE AND AUTHORIZE ACTION RELATED TO IRRIGATION SYSTEM

Pres. Mancini then called upon Ms. Payne, who informed the Board that she is ready to proceed with the DbLive program whenever the Board gives the go-ahead. They next discussed publicity.

Dir. Papp informed the Board that there would be another meeting to communicate irrigation issues to the new Task Force on October 1, 2009. It is the intent to share definitive data so that everyone agrees on the same information, Ms. Payne noted. She then updated the board as to certain irrigation activities in the Woodlands area. They have located some 50 licensed irrigation specialists that were sent to mandatory conservation training. Some of Woodlands' customers have exceeded 400,000 gallons of water usage per month, Ms. Payne stated. Through their "WISE guys" program, Woodlands has reduced their consumption by 20%, she added. The "WISE" stands for Water Irrigation System Evaluation. The trained specialists go to residences, wearing tags and other identification, and show them the approved WISE checklist. The irrigator then checks the customer's system for correct hook-up, sprayer effectiveness, etc. and gives the customer a form, which they sign in triplicate, one copy for the homeowner, another for the irrigator, and the third for the sponsor of the WISE program. Customers are also given an evaluation to review the work and professionalism of the irrigator, plus various forms of water conservation paraphernalia at no charge. The irrigator must not put on a sales pitch, though he may leave his card for contact by the customer, Ms. Payne stated.

The meeting with prospective customers will be held at the North Harris County Regional Water Authority ("Authority") facility, on a date in October to be named in the future. Dir. Papp wanted to assure that installation of the DbLive devices has begun by November of this year. The actual cost is \$35 per irrigator, Ms. Payne noted. The Board discussed absorbing \$25 and charging customers \$10 each.

REPORT ON STATUS OF BUTTERFLY GARDEN, COMPOST PROJECT, APPROVE PROJECT AND EXPENDITURES RLEATED THERETO

The Board set the next landscaping meeting for October 7, 2009 at 10:00 a.m. at the District facility. Ms. Fraser stated that the plan to meet with the YMCA on October 2, 2009 has fallen through, but suggested the meeting be held at the District's facility in conjunction with the Champion Forest Garden Club, avid gardeners and volunteers. That would allow the Audubon presentation to go forward, Ms. Fraser stated, and give the District the opportunity to show them where the butterfly station will be installed. The President was asked to speak with his wife about the Ponderosa Garden Club's interest in attending.

Ms. Fraser then addressed the garden Center. The Board was uncertain as to whether the compost was picked up. She informed the Board that during her tours in Seattle, she noted that their conservation garden included signs of future sites, something she would like to see at this facility. After review, Dir. Toll's motion, seconded by Dir. Papp, to approve the expense to obtain signage identifying future sites within the gardenscape, received unanimous consent by the Board. She was asked to digitize her garden plans and forward them to the Board.

Ms. Fraser stated that she had a good idea for ridding the subdivision of its old Christmas trees: providing grinding and shredding of the trees at the garden and aiding the environment at the same time. The mulch produced could be used on site and would be very aromatic.

When asked about using the granite rubble to widen certain existing paths, Ms. Fraser responded that doing so would put the bog at risk or eliminate its existence altogether. Also the path beneath the trees is being eliminated to show residents that landscaping there puts trees at risk.

Ms. Fraser stated that a station around the electrical lines touting the works of Edison and Ben Franklin is being planned, adding in the large role that electricity plays in getting clean water to customers. She noted that when she visited the Olympic Garden in Seattle, she saw on display a dying nurse tree that was exhibited the enormous amount of life its death enabled. Sixty forms of life are found in the decomposing tree, she noted. She planned the nurse tree to be near the gate opening.

Ms. Fraser then informed the Board she had learned of another form of composting called Japanese yeast composting, utilizing yeast and molasses. She hopes to acquire a starter kit for the Garden, she stated.

The Board then discussed with Ms. Fraser a number of items to be completed in the near future. The painting and reinstallation of the downspouts will be done in the next week or so, Dir. Papp informed the Board. Ms. Fraser stated she would need two (2) 5-gallon water containers to show a carnivorous plant called *utricularia*, which she has in her own landscaping. This plant eats mosquito and other small bugs' larvae. Pres. Mancini stated that he would try to get the clear plastic containers.

A hanging garden utilizing a drip water irrigation technique was introduced by Ms. Payne, who had seen the hanging basket while on a recent visit to Europe. The Board liked the idea. It would be located near the bog garden, Ms. Fraser informed the Board. They are hung on both sides of a pole, at different levels and beautify any eyesore while demonstrating the drip irrigation method, it was noted.

Dir. Papp stated that he would contact the Operator to get a lighting contractor to bring down the light on the building, where it is corroding, and reinstall on a pole, probably based in concrete.

The Board consented to having Rabine Dingle and Farrar Stockton volunteer on various parts of the garden project. Their expertise is very welcome, the Board stated.

The Board then discussed how volunteers and other works are to proceed when working near the Copano easement. He noted that certain protocol should be followed to assure the District's compliance with the easement agreement. The Board directed Ms. Fraser to draft protocol of behavior by workers in the garden, which, together with a signed copy of the Copano agreement, would be on site when workers are present.

DISCUSS STATUS OF WEBSITE, CUSTOMER COMMUNICATION AND AUTHORIZE EXPENDITURES RELATED THERETO

The Board felt that it is important to notify customers twice of the meeting to participate in the irrigation program. To that effort, they asked Ms. Payne to reinforce the matter in the next

newsletter, as well as send postcards to prospective participants. Even though summer has past, she noted, dry weather and water are still on people's minds. Dir. Papp was asked to be the postcard contact person for the Board. He will also put the list of prospective program candidates on the computer for ease in tracking. It was also agreed to place information regarding the program in the Cypresswood Log's next installment. Dir. Papp and Ms. Payne plan to confer again on the matter next week.

Ms Payne informed the Board that at the next Authority meeting, the new mobile teaching lab would be previewed. She noted that the next Outreach II meeting would be held at the Authority's facility at 10 a.m. on October 1, 2009 and reminded the Board to wear their District shirts, so that the irrigation and water conservation experts would know they are affiliated with a MUD.

The Board felt that, once the new Director is on Board, the District's web page should be amended to reflect the Board's makeup and offices held, plus the new name for the garden itself. Also, the Operator could place information relating to the Christmas tree shredding on the November customer water bills.

The Board then discussed using the interior of the building to display art relating to water in some form--waterfalls, rain, rivers, etc. Ms. Fraser told of Fotofest, a group where kids in school prepare photographic artwork and then write on the matter. Dir. Toll noted that he is a member of a Photography club, and perhaps their photographers could provide some photographs of the Garden itself as artwork. Dir. Papp stated that he would contact Melissa at da Vinci Gallery in Tomball to discuss the Board's vision of a water related art gallery. He added that he knows a woman who owns a frame shop that might be of value to the project. The Board felt that artists' works could be changed quarterly.

Ms. Fraser informed the Board that a friend of hers, Liane Pomfret, is a former Hewlett-Packard employee, who could help manage the website. The Board welcomed her assistance.

Dir. Papp stated that the HGCIAs welcomes MUD directors and other concerned citizen groups as associate members. After discussion, upon motion duly made and seconded by Dirs. Toll and Papp, respectively, the Board voted unanimously to approve joining the HGCIAs as an associate member.

Dir. Toll stated that he would like to have Gary Clark and his wife, both photographers of nature, view and photograph the Garden, when it is nearer completion, and using those photographs in the interior Art Gallery. The Board liked the idea.

DISCUSS AND APPROVE NEWSLETTER

The newsletter was not ready for Board consideration at this time, therefore the matter was deferred.

AS THERE WAS NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO COME BEFORE THE BOARD AT THIS TIME, Dir. Toll's motion to adjourn at 12:24 p.m., duly seconded by Dir. Papp, carried.

PASSED AND APPROVED

September 21, 2009
Date

Bill Papp
Bill Papp
Secretary of the Board of Directors