

**MINUTES
BEXAR METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING**

**2047 W. MALONE, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78225
P.O. BOX 245994, SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS 78224
April 24, 2008**

In accordance with Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, Vernon's Annotated Civil Statutes, Section 31, the Board of Directors for the BEXAR METROPOLITAN WATER DISTRICT held a **Special Board of Directors Meeting at 5:00 p.m. on the 24th day of April 2008**, in the Board Room of Bexar Metropolitan Water District. 2047 W. Malone, San Antonio, Texas 78225.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT: Victor Villarreal, Jim Clement, Debra Eaton, Blanche Atkinson, Jose Gallegos, Andy Carr, Lesley Wenger

STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT: F. Gilbert Olivares; Adolfo Ruiz; Edna Wigfall Crute; Phil Hopkins; Andrew Vasquez; Helen Casias; Jesse Morin; Serina Rivela; Humberto Ramos; Mike Thuss; Roger Placencia; Steve Pettit; Kerry McCollough; Juan Lozano; Robert Molina; Mike Lopez; Janie Carrasco; Angelita Vasquez

GUESTS PRESENT: Paul Martinez (Winstead PC), Hank Waggy(JCB), Chris Powers (SAWS), Mike Villarreal (SAMCO), Lisa Pfeiffer, Dina Villarreal, Lorenzo Martinez

PRESS PRESENT: Jerry Needham (Express News)

MINUTES

The open session of this meeting was tape recorded. These minutes are a summary record of the Board's actions at the meeting. For a detailed record of discussions and statements made by persons speaking at the meeting, please consult the audio files at the District's office.

Item 1.

Mr. Villarreal called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Item 4. Request by interested citizens to address the Board.

Mr. Lorenzo Martinez addressed the Board in regards the Bexarmet rate increase.

Item 5. To consider and approve a Rate Order/Ordinance to enact a cost of business rate increase on the District's overall current rate schedule to be effective July 1, 2008 on the District's water bills to ratepayers as recommended by the General Manager and staff, as consistent with the District's business plan.

Recess from 5:35 p.m. to 5:41 p.m.

Mr. Gallegos moved to table Item 5. Mr. Carr seconded the motion.

Ayes: Gallegos, Wenger, Carr

Nays: Villarreal, Clement, Atkinson, Eaton

Motion denied.

Mr. Clement moved to consider and approve a Rate Order/Ordinance to enact a cost of business rate increase on the District's overall current rate schedule to be effective July 1, 2008 on the District's water bills to ratepayers as recommended by the General Manager and staff, as consistent with the District's business plan. Mr. Villarreal seconded the motion.

Ayes: Villarreal, Clement, Atkinson, Eaton

Nays: Gallegos, Carr, Wenger

Motion carried.

Mr. Gallegos moved the challenge the call for the vote and the ruling of the Chair. Mr. Carr seconded the motion.

Ayes: Carr, Wenger, Gallegos

Nays: Villarreal, Clement, Atkinson, Eaton

Motion did not pass.

Item 6.To approve the District's Operations and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009.

Mr. Gallegos moved to table Item 6, to approve the District's Operations and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. Ms. Wenger seconded the motion.

Ayes: Gallegos, Wenger, Carr

Nays: Villarreal, Clement, Atkinson, Eaton

Motion denied.

Mr. Carr moved to challenge the fact that Mr. Villarreal is denying the elected officials the right to address issues in this meeting. Mr. Gallegos seconded the motion.

Ayes: Gallegos, Carr

Nays: Villarreal, Atkinson, Eaton

Abstained: Wenger

No vote from Mr. Clement.

Motion did not pass.

Mr. Eaton moved to approve the District's Operations and Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 2008-2009. Mr. Clement seconded the motion.

Ayes: Villarreal, Clement, Atkinson, Eaton

Nays: Gallegos, Wenger, Carr

Motion carried.


Item 7. Adjournment.

With no opposition from the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Minutes approved this 30 day of June, 2008



Victor V. Villarreal, President
BexarMet Water District



Blanche Atkinson, Secretary
BexarMet Water District