

# **MEETING MINUTES**

PROJECT NAME: Terrebonne Sanitary District PROJECT NO.: 297-2509-006

Formation

LOCATION: Microsoft Teams MEETING DATE: November 17, 2022 TIME: 3:00 pm

MINUTES BY: Ryan Rudnick

ATTENDEES: Chris Doty Keith Bedell

Ryan Rudnick Linda Swearingen
Guy Vernon Parker Vernon
Mariah Patel Kristin Yurdin
Randy Lunsford Tim Brown
Dylan Stott Todd Cleveland

SUBJECT: District Formation Meeting #11

#### Discussion Items:

BOCC Hearing #2 (11/17/2022) Debrief:

- o The hearing did not result in immediate formation of the Terrebonne Sanitary District. The County received sufficient requests today for an election regarding formation of the District, so the question of District Formation will instead be put before electors in the next election, likely on the March ballot.
- o The most conventional path forward is likely to file for District Board candidacy and campaign for the members and formation of the Terrebonne Sanitary District.
- o If electors in the proposed district boundary vote for formation of the District (50%+1) and elect 5 board members, the process can still continue along the general timelines discussed to-date.
- Next steps moving forward:
  - Hold additional open house in January 2023 with TSAG, District Board Candidates, Commissioner(s)
  - o Mail invites out early January (2 weeks ahead), include key points and Q&A, link to website
  - o Door-knocking to all 154 electors in proposed district
  - o Sandwich boards at commercial properties
  - o Plot large maps for community to see proposed boundary, public comment box
  - o Include annexation forms for property owners to request inclusion in the District
  - o Consider modifications to be made to the District boundary
- Key Points of Clarification for public
  - o Ensure community that money won't be "taken out of their back pocket"
  - o Dispel misconceptions about "smoke and mirrors" and attempts to "pull a fast one on them"
  - o Clarify estimated costs and connection requirements (i.e. DEQ connection mandate)
  - o Septic systems have a finite lifespan. If repairs cannot made, business and homes will be shut down.
  - o If you want to have a "life raft" when septic system fails, vote "yes" for District Formation
  - If you want the District to be eligible for funding that improves sewer affordability, vote "yes"
  - o If you want sewer infrastructure that can support housing and local commerce, vote "yes"
- TSAG Input:
  - o Community is disillusioned by Water District and ODOT Couplet public outreach
  - o Public outreach needs to be clear, straightforward, and addressing community concerns

## OSFAP Funding

- o Todd working with COIC on application to secure funding for County-wide septic-to-sewer needs
- o Future District or individual property owners could apply to COIC for hookup funding assistance

## **District Formation Schedule**

April 2022	File prospective petition, obtain County Clerk approval
August 2022	File district formation petition with required attachments and signatures
October 5, 2022	First Public Hearing with County Commission
November 2, 2022	Second Public Hearing with County Commission, District Formation to be on March Ballot
Early January	Send out postcard invites for Open House
January 12, 2023	Due date for board member candidates to file for March election, including 25 petition signatures, filing fee,
Late January	Public Open House

#### Action Items:

- Linda to draft postcard invites
- TSAG review and comment on latest flyer and FAQ's, and provide input for public materials

Next Meeting: Thursday December 15 @ 3pm via Teams or In-Person at Parametrix Bend Office

(150 NW Pacific Park Ln)