

**RESOLUTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS
AQUILLA WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT**

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 4, 2024, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE PERSONS TO SERVE ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS, ONE DIRECTOR FOR PLACE THREE (3), AND ONE DIRECTOR FOR PLACE FOUR (4) AND DIRECTOR FOR PLACE FIVE (5), BOTH ELECTIONS TO BE FOR FOUR YEAR TERMS AND BE AT LARGE IN THE AREA OF THE AQUILLA WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT; DESIGNATING THE DISTRICT SECRETARY AS THE EARLY VOTING CLERK; PROVIDING FOR EARLY VOTING; ESTABLISHING LOCATION, DAYS AND TIMES FOR EARLY VOTING TO BE CONDUCTED; DESIGNATING WHERE APPLICATIONS FOR BALLOT BY MAIL SHOULD BE MAILED AND ESTABLISHING THE LOCATION, DAY AND TIME WHERE ELECTION DAY WILL BE CONDUCTED; PROVIDING FOR THE USE OF VOTING MACHINES; PROVIDING FOR NOTICE OF SAID ELECTION; PROVIDING FOR UPDATED RULES REGARDING SUBMISSIONS TO THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE DIRECTORS OF THE AQUILLA WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT:

Section 1. That the general election is hereby ordered to be held on the 4th day of May, 2024 for the purpose of electing two Directors:

One (1) Director, Place 3, Elected at Large
One (1) Director, Place 4, Elected at Large
One (1) Director, Place 5, Elected at Large

Section 2. Nicole Crain, the Board Secretary, shall serve as Election Judge and Early Voting Clerk. Ms. Crain's official mailing address is:

Nicole Crain
P.O. Box 917
Hillsboro, Texas 76645

Phone Number 254-266-6844 for general election information,

Applications for ballots by mail shall be mailed to Nicole Crain at the address set out above or scanned with an original signature and emailed to nicolecrain@ncrainlaw.com. Regardless of method of delivery, last day to accept application by mail for a ballot to be voted by mail must be received no later than the close of business at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23, 2024.

Stephanie Johnson will serve as Alternate Election Judge.

Section 3. Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted beginning April 22, 2024 and continuing through April 30, 2024 at the following location in the area of the Aquilla Water Supply District. A voter entitled to vote an early ballot by personal appearance may vote at the following location:

- (a) Main Early Voting Polling Place:

Historic City Hall
127 E. Franklin Street
Hillsboro, Texas 76645

- (b) Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted at the above location on the following dates and times:

Apr. 22 – Apr. 26 (Mon. - Fri.)	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
April 29 (Monday)	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
April 30 (Tuesday)	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Section 4. Election Day Central Polling Place:

- (a) Historic City Hall
127 E. Franklin Street
Hillsboro, Texas 76645

- (b) May 4, 2024 (Saturday) 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Section 5. The Board Secretary is directed to provide at least one accessible voting system in each polling location in accordance with Section 504 of the Federal Rehabilitation Act of 1973, the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act; and provide a practical and effective means for voters with physical disabilities to cast a secret ballot. The Office of the Texas Secretary of State has certified that the Hart Verity Version 2.4 and the components of the equipment which will be provided through an agreement with Hill County Elections Office, is an accessible voting system that may be legally used in Texas elections.

The Order of Election is the official action required by a governing body to hold an election and is signed by the governing body, (which is reflected by a vote recorded in the minutes of the meeting.) The Board President is authorized to sign the Order of Election and Notice of Election. The Order of Election and Notice of Election shall be provided in both English and Spanish. Both shall be posted on the bulletin board at the Water Treatment Plant of the District at 144 FM 1947, and on the bulletin board at the Administration Building of the City of Hillsboro at 214 E. Elm Street, Hillsboro, Texas 76645 used for posting of notices of meetings of the City Council not later than the twenty-first (21st) day before election day and remain posted through election day. The Notice of Election shall be published in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code.

Further, the Notice of Election (a separate document from the Order of Election- signed by the Board President) is attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

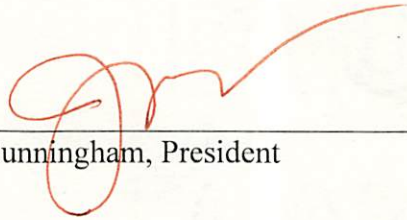
Section 7. The District Secretary is no longer required or responsible for submissions to the U. S. Department of Justice for preclearance(s) in regard to elections. "Jurisdictions

identified by the coverage formula in Section 4(b) of the Voting Rights Act, no longer need to seek preclearance for new voting changes, unless they are covered by a separate court order entered under Section 3(c) of the Voting Rights Act.”

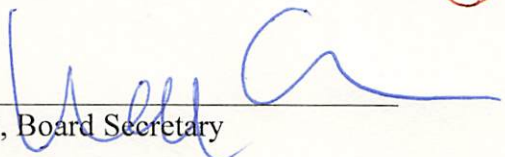
Section 8. Should any part, section, subsection, paragraph, sentence, clause or phrase of this resolution be held to be unconstitutional or of no force and effect, such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portion of this resolution, but in all respects said remaining portion shall be and remain in full force and effect.

Section 9. That this resolution shall be effective immediately upon adoption.

9 ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Aquilla Water Supply District, Texas on the day of February, 2024.



Joe Cunningham, President

ATTEST: 

Nicole Crain, Board Secretary

NOTICE OF ELECTION

“Exhibit A”

AQUILLA WATER SUPPLY DISTRICT, TEXAS

A district election is hereby ordered to be held on May 4, 2024 for the purpose of electing three (3) Directors:

- One (1) Director, Place 3
- One (1) Director, Place 4
- One (1) Director, Place 5

Early voting by personal appearance will be conducted each weekday at the Main Early Voting Polling Place:

Historic City Hall, 127 E. Franklin Street, Hillsboro, Texas between the hours:
(Location)

Apr. 22 – Apr. 26 (Mon. - Fri.)	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
April 29 (Monday)	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
April 30 (Tuesday)	8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Applications for ballot by mail should be scanned with an original signature and emailed to nicole@ncrainlaw.com or, should be mailed to:

Nicole Crain
(Name of Early Voting Clerk)

P. O. Box 917 (71 N. Waco Street)
(Address)

Hillsboro, Texas 76645
(City) (Zip Code)

Aquilla Water Supply District Website aquillawsd.org (for general election information). Phone Number – 254-266-6844.

Regardless of method of delivery, last day to accept application by mail for a ballot to be voted by mail must be received no later than the close of business at 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, April 23, 2024.

Election Day Central Polling Place Location:

Historic City Hall, 127 E. Franklin Street, Hillsboro, Texas between the hours: 7:00 a.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Issued this the 9th day of February, 2024.

Joe Cunningham, President