STATE OF TEXAS,

Plaintiff, v. CITY OF DOUBLE HORN, TEXAS, CATHY SERENO; R.G. CARVER; BOB LINK; JAMES E. MILLARD; LARRY TROWBRIDGE; GLENN LEISEY; and JOHN OSBORNE,

Defendants.

§ § § § § § § § § § § IN THE DISTRICT COURT OF BURNET COUNTY, TEXAS JUDICIAL DISTRICT

INFORMATION IN THE NATURE OF QUO WARRANTO

TO THE HONORABLE DISTRICT JUDGE:

The State of Texas, with leave of the Court, acting by and through its Attorney General, Ken Paxton, files this Information to declare the incorporation of the City of Double Horn, Texas, invalid and void for failure to comply with statutory requirements for incorporation, and to remove the officers of the City of Double Horn from office. In support of this Information, the State shows:

I. Parties and Jurisdiction

- 1. Plaintiff is the State of Texas (the "State") and is represented by its Attorney General, Ken Paxton. Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 66.002. The State brings this action under Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code §§ 66.001, *et seq.* The Court has jurisdiction to declare the proposed incorporation of the City of Double Horn invalid through quo warranto, Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem. Code § 66.001(3), to remove persons from office unlawfully holding said office, *id.*, and to award costs for the prosecution *Information in the Nature of Quo Warranto Page 1 of 10*
- of this Information, *id.* § 66.003(2). The State intends to conduct discovery under a Level 2 Discovery Control Plan. Tex. R. Civ. P. 190.1, 190.3.
- 2. Defendant City of Double Horn may be served via its Mayor, Cathy Sereno, who may be personally served at 109 Creekside Trail, Spicewood, Texas
- 78669. 3. Defendant Cathy Sereno is the Mayor of the City of Double Horn, and is sued in her official capacity.
- 4. Defendants R.G. Carver, Bob Link, James E. Millard, Larry Trowbridge, and Glenn Leisey are Aldermen and members of the City Council of the City of Double Horn, and are sued in their official capacities.
- 5. Defendant John Osborne is the City Marshall for the City of Double Horn, and is sued in his official capacity.

6. The city officials may be personally served at the following addresses: Cathy Sereno, 109 Creekside Trail, Spicewood, Texas 78669; R.G. Carver, 402 Vista View Trail, Spicewood, Texas 78669; Bob Link, 106 Flowing Spring Trail, Spicewood, Texas 78669; James E. Millard, 115 Oak Meadow Trail, Spicewood, Texas 78669; Larry Trowbridge, 315 Vista View Trail, Spicewood, Texas 78669; Glenn Leisey, 120 Oak Meadow Trail, Spicewood, Texas 78669; and John Osborne, 106 Double Horn Trail, Spicewood, Texas 78669. *Information in the Nature of Quo Warranto Page 2 of 10*

II. Facts and Grounds for Relief

- 7. Prior to incorporation, the City of Double Horn was a subdivision of approximately 92 homes in Burnet County west of Spicewood, Texas on the north side of Texas State Highway 71. The subdivision consists of homesites and a single common area that includes a community pool and covered outdoor pavilion. The subdivision has no wastewater utility; the homes rely on septic. The subdivision obtains its water from wells and the water is delivered by the Double Horn Creek Water Supply Corporation, but water is not provided to the property owned by Spicewood Crushed Stone LLC ("SCS"). *See generally* www.dhwsc.org.

 8. SCS owns approximately 281 acres of rural undeveloped land adjacent to the eastern boundary of Double Horn. SCS plans to use the tract for quarry operations after obtaining all required permits. *See* SCS LCRA Highland Lakes Watershed Ordinance Permit Application attached as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference.
- 9. Upon learning of the proposed use for the SCS tract, some residents of the Double Horn subdivision began considering incorporation as a means to stop SCS from operating a quarry on its land. *See* Double Horn Improvement Association Board Meeting Minutes of September 20, 2018 attached as Exhibit B and incorporated by reference.
- 10. On or about September 25, 2018, some of the residents of Double Horn organized a petition to make application to the Burnet County Judge to order an election for the municipal incorporation of Double Horn. *See* Petition to Incorporate *Information in the Nature of Quo Warranto Page 3 of 10*

Double Horn as a Type B General Law City attached as Exhibit C and incorporated by reference.

- 11. Additionally, some residents of Double Horn organized the Spicewood Environmental Protection Alliance to oppose the SCS development. *See generally* www.sepatx.com.
- 12. Despite some irregularities in holding the incorporation election, the measure passed on December 6, 2018. *See* Canvass & Summary of Precinct Returns

attached as Exhibit E and incorporated by reference.

- 13. The incorporated City of Double Horn includes within its boundaries the Double Horn subdivision and SCS's property.
- 14. The mayor and aldermen for the City of Double Horn were selected at a later election on February 12, 2019. *See* Report of City of Double Horn Special Election February 12, 2019 attached as Exhibit F and incorporated by reference.
- 15. The statutory requirements for eligibility to incorporate as a Type B general law municipality are found in Chapter 7 of the Local Government Code. *See* Tex. Loc. Gov't Code §§ 7.001–7.008. Two of these requirements are (1) that the community intending to incorporate constitute an unincorporated town or village, and (2) the proposed boundaries include only the territory to be used strictly for municipal purposes. *Id.* §§ 7.001(1) & 7.002(b). The application for incorporation for the City of Double Horn was defective as it did not meet either of these requirements.
- 16. "The purpose of the incorporation statutes is not to create towns and villages, but to allow those already in existence to incorporate. Incorporation *Information in the Nature of Quo Warranto Page 4 of 10*

contemplates the existence of an actual village, town, or city." *State v. Wilbanks*, 595 S.W.2d 849, 852 (Tex. 1980). *See* Tex. Loc. Gov't Code § 7.001 (declaring in order to incorporate, community must constitute unincorporated town or village). A town or village is a "considerable aggregation of people living in close proximity." *Wilbanks*, 595 S.W.2d at 852 (quoting *State ex rel. Taylor v. Eidson*, 13 S.W. 263, 264 (Tex.

- 1890)). A town population is distinct from a rural population. A rural population "cannot be called a town, *nor treated as part of a town*, without doing violence to the meaning ordinarily attached to that word." *Id.* (emphasis added). There must be some degree of unity between the habitations so as to constitute a town or village. *Id.* (quoting *Harang v. State ex rel. City of West Columbia*, 466 S.W.2d 8, 11 (Tex. Civ. App.—Houston [14th Dist.] 1971, no writ)). There must exist a compact center or
- nucleus of population around which a town has developed. *Id.* (quoting *Rogers v. Raines*, 512 S.W.2d 725, 728 (Tex. Civ. App.—Tyler 1974, writ ref'd n.r.e.)).
- 17. The Double Horn subdivision was just that: it was a residential subdivision, not a "town" or "village." It has no stores. The only businesses include a process service company and a storage building located along State Highway 71. It has no churches. It lacks a school. It lacks a gas station with a convenience store. It even lacks a public building that the residents can use for city business. To conduct city business, officials are left to the choice of the open-air pavilion, the pool area, or someone's living room.
- 18. Even if the subdivision could have been considered an existing town or village, SCS's property was not part of it. SCS's property is rural in character. It is *Information in the Nature of Quo Warranto Page 5 of 10*

agricultural land, not urban land. There is no unity between SCS's land and the Double Horn subdivision. SCS's land is not part of a compact center or nucleus of population.

19. Moreover, land within the town must be susceptible of receiving some municipal services. Tex. Att'y Gen. Op. No. JM-750 at 4 (1987) (citing *Harang*, 466 S.W.2d at 11). "An area which, because of its geographical or population characteristics and development, is not capable of receiving municipal services on any reasonable basis does not constitute a 'city' or 'town' authorized to be incorporated." Id. (citing Wilbanks, 595 S.W.2d 849). There is no evidence whatsoever that the City of Double Horn (or the residents of the prior subdivision) intends to provide its commercial residents any services typically provided by cities. There is no central wastewater facility to connect to SCS property. There is no stated plan to connect water service to SCS property. There is no stated plan to allow SCS to partake in the road improvement projects available to the subdivision or connect the property to the rest of the community. See generally Fall Newsletter of Double Horn Creek attached as Exhibit D, available at http://hoasites.goodwintx.com/Portals/42/Newsletters/ DHC-Newsletter-201809.pdf, and incorporated by reference. There is no stated plan to create and provide police, fire, or other emergency services to the city or to SCS. In fact, there is no evidence that any changes will be made to reflect a municipal form of government other than the exercise of regulatory authority over SCS with the goal of preventing SCS from using its property for a lawful purpose.

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20. Land cannot be included within a town solely for tax purposes. *Gray Cty*. *Prod. Co. v. Christian*, 231 S.W.2d 901, 904 (Tex. Civ. App.—Amarillo 1950, no writ). If the city remains incorporated, and assuming the city will exercise its authority to tax the property within its boundaries, SCS will be subject to city taxes without receiving any corresponding public benefit. SCS will be the largest landowner (and taxpayer) in town. In fact, it will be in the position of funding the city's effort to block SCS's project. No one has any expectation that SCS's property will be developed as part of the city. In fact, the only apparent purpose of the city's incorporation is to prevent the development of the SCS property.

21. This is not a case where the proposed town residents anticipate commercial development to serve the community. On the contrary, the residents have included land that they know will *not* be developed as part of the city. Texas case law since 1891 has stated that residents cannot include undeveloped land that they know will not eventually be developed for municipal purposes. The leading case is *Ewing v. State*, 16 S.W. 872 (Tex. 1891). It was cited approvingly by the Texas Supreme Court as recently as 1980 in *Wilbanks*, 595 S.W.2d 849. Other pertinent cases include *State v. City of Del Rio*, 92 S.W.2d 287 (Tex. Civ. App.—Eastland 1936, no writ), and *State*

v. Masterson, 228 S.W. 623 (Tex. Civ. App.—Beaumont 1921, writ ref'd). In *Del Rio*, the court held that a large tract of nonurban agricultural land could not have been included within city limits because it was "never a part of the city, and never intended to be such[.]" *Del Rio*, 92 S.W.2d at 290. In *Masterson*, the court invalidated the incorporation of a town because the town limits included oil fields and vacant land *Information in the Nature of Quo Warranto Page 7 of 10*

that was not suitable to be used for town purposes. If the incorporation of the City of Double Horn is allowed to stand, SCS will not be welcomed as a member of the community, it will be rejected and regulated out of existence.

III. Requested Relief

- 22. The State seeks judgment declaring the incorporation of the City of Double Horn invalid and ordering the dissolution of the City of Double Horn.
- 23. The State also seeks judgment declaring Defendants Cathy Sereno, R.G. Carver, Bob Link, James E. Millard, Larry Trowbridge, Glenn Leisey, and John Osborne are persons acting as a corporation without being legally incorporated and are unlawfully holding office.
- 24. The State also seeks against all Defendants acting without legal authority an award of its costs in prosecuting this Information and any other relief permitted under Tex. Civ. Prac. & Rem Code § 66.003.

IV. Request for Disclosure

25. Under Texas Rule of Civil Procedure 194, Texas requests that Defendants disclose, within 50 days of the service of this request, the information or material described in Rule 194.2

V. Prayer

26. The State prays that Defendants be cited to appear and answer, and that upon final trial or other resolution hereof, judgment be entered declaring the incorporation of the City of Double Horn invalid and void, for an order that the City of Double Horn be dissolved, for judgment declaring Defendants Cathy Sereno, R.G. *Information in the Nature of Quo Warranto Page 8 of 10*

Carver, Bob Link, James E. Millard, Larry Trowbridge, Glenn Leisey, and John Osborne are persons acting as a corporation without being legally incorporated and are unlawfully holding office, awarding the State its costs of prosecution, and awarding the State such other relief to which it may be justly entitled.

Respectfully submitted this 1st day of March, 2019.

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VERIFICATION

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF TRAVIS §§ §

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared David J. Hacker, Special Counsel for Civil Litigation, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed below, and upon first being duly sworn, on his oath deposed and stated that he has read the foregoing document and that based on knowledge gathered from the identified documents and websites the statements of fact contained therein are true and correct.

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE certify which witness my hand and seal of office.

ME this 1st day of March, 2019, to ELIZABETH My Expires Notary ID June A. # SAUNDERS i311Si174 5, 2021

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EXHIBIT A

Notice Posting Date:

10/19/201

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NOTICE

Quarry/Mine

Name:

Spicewood Crushed Stone Quarry No. 1 Development

Applicant Name &

Address:

Spicewood Crushed Stone, LLC 3490 FM 78 McQueeney. TX 78123

Site Location:

5550 East State Hwy 71 Spicewood, TX (Burnet County)

Quarry/Mine Description:

quarrying operations including land clearing and overburden removal, mining and processing of quarried materials to manufacture sized and graded aggregate for the construction industry.

An application has been made to LCRA for approval of the following:

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Quar*ry/*Mine Permit

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Quarry/Mine Certification

at this location. LCRA has determined that the application is administratively complete. Any person may comment on the application. Written comments should be either mailed or delivered to the LCRA no later than 30 days from the date on this notice in order to be considered in the review of the application:

Mail: LCRA - Watershed
Management Mail Stop L106
P.O. Box 220 Austin, TX 78767

Delivered: LCRA - Watershed

Management 3700 Lake Austin Blvd. Austin, TX 78703 Mail Stop L106

Additional information regarding this application may be obtained by contacting the LCRA Watershed Engineering & Planning Office at 512-578-2324.

EXHIBIT B

Double Horn Improvement Association Board Meeting

Spicewood Community Library (1011 Spur 191, Spicewood, TX 78669) September 20, 2018 7:00 PM

Proposed Agenda

Call to order:

7:01

Attendance: Emily Copeland, Justin Jette, RG Carver, Glenn Leisey, Mike Reed, Jim Millard, Teala Welch, Curtis Raetz, John Osborne, Basil and Susan Bigbie

Determine a quorum is present: yes

Approve August board minutes: Motion by: Glenn Leisey Seconded by: Justin Jette All: yes

Comments from community

members: none

Committee Reports Maintenance - Jack Allen, Pavilion maintenance there are screws

coming loose at beams at pavilion and repairs are needed before staining. Electrical updates are also needed before staining. There is an estimate of \$1,000 for electrical repairs. Motion by Glenn seconded by Jim All: yes for this cost. Welding will be done so hands can't reach through to get into the pool area without a key, Community member volunteered to do this.

Landscape - Mike Reed Roadside mowing completed. Tree trimming also needed in some areas of the neighborhood. Will be getting an estimate on this. A few spots were missed by mowing and those have already been addressed.

Communications/Social - Mary Millard & Lou Ann Raetz: The next event will be on Novober 9th. The Fall Happy Hour and Food Drive at the Pavillion 6-8 pm hosted by Mary Millard, Pam Link, Liz Brunner and Charlyne Young. We have about 30 updates for information for the directory. The new directory will be ready the beginning of October. Please continue to send in contact information updates to doublehornhoa@gmail.com. Halloween event on Wednesday the 31st is being planning. Look for information about in the next few weeks.

ACC- RG Carver Approved a home for Lot 5, phase one of around 4500 square feet. Fence submitted for lot 74, Phase 3 for a potential home buyer. The buyer wants approval of fence before buying the home. Lot 515 Vista View wanted covenants since they will be building a home soon. Remember political signs are allowed 60 days before an election by state law but must come down 10 days after.

Assets Maintenance - Jim Millard

Still working with company about the end of Double Horn Trail and Cross Trail to East Trail and some repairs on Running Brook. The committee welcomed Bob Link as new member of Assets **committee** and thanked Lew Feder for his service.

Treasurer's Report Association has collected \$167,565 of an expected \$174,780. There are three property owners who haven't paid dues this year. Two of which haven't paid the last two years. Seven additional property owners have not paid the second assessment. There is approx. \$75,000 in working account and we **are runn**ing expenses of \$3000-\$5000 a month. We are good to cover regular expenses. New budget was submitted to Goodwin. Increased everything about 10% or lowered some categories. Lawyer fees were kept the same and the social budget was

increased. Landscaping cost will probably be going up with all the rain this Fall. Motion to approve proposed budget for 2019 by Jim Seconded by RG All yes.

Old Business

Estimates for Security Equipment Systems at Pool and Pavilion; Wireless 500-600 for 3 cameras. Table this issue until more information can be researched.

Maintenance chairman has set up cameras like this at personal businesses. Questions of amount of vandalism and need for cameras was addressed. It was stated that the issue was substantial this year. Costly repairs we did this year would cover the cost for security equipment.

Resurfacing the Walking Path around the Pond: Overlay is not a good idea. Breaking it up and doing an alternative paving would be a better option.

Update from SEPTA TX: SEPTA hired an attorney to represent them for a hearing with TCEQ. They hired two air specialist who will look at the submit done by quarry applicant and see if any holes can be found. Another thing being explored in depth is incorporation of Double Horn. The only way to stop these quarries is to incorporate where you can control your land. Subdivisions down Hwy 71 such as Paleface Ranch and Briarcliff have the same problem with concerns of quarries coming in. There is a report of advantages and disadvantages of incorporation and how you set it up that was handed out. We are the best community to do incorporation. Minimum requirements include 2 sq. miles of area, 50 registered voters, and 201 occupants. Round Mountain was incorporated because of the ETJ. SEPTA representatives are talking with incorporation attorneys and looking into the steps we need to take. There are 825 acres in DHC and we need 1280. Talking about encompassing the space where the quarry is and then go across the street to get the rest of the land. Then all **requirements are** met. Also must be put on a ballot for an election. This needs to be before a judge 64 days prior to an election, we don't meet that deadline which would have been August 28th. Several people petitioned our county judge and county attorney. We can have incorporation vote that does not coincide with general election. If we can incorporate the quarry site then immediately put your city together with requirements. Then, send out a flyer with all the requirements in a friendly way and mail to quarry owners and that alone will a lot of times

encourage them to leave. A family north of the quarry site has been met with about purchasing the land, Suggested that the board should seriously investigate incorporation with an attorney to get advice of can we do this, if we do this, is it any good, etc. Goal is it make incorporation a way to limit the quarry business and make it difficult for them to do business.

Update on Water Company bill: The average of the months before and after May, is what the company approved as the replacement charge for the unusual outlier usage and unusually large bill. The board thanks the water company for this adjustment.

New Business Social Committee Welcome Flyer for New Residents: Sharlyne Young has brought up the idea of having a welcome flyer for new homeowners or property owners of DHC. The flyer is currently being drafted and after review from the Social/Communications committee will be presented to the board for comments, suggestions and approval. As we all have experienced when purchasing a lot or home in DHC it is rather difficult to know who to contact for keys to pool, gate opener, post office box key and what utilities company are servicing the area and who to contact. The flyer will give purchasers a direct line of communication and contact information.

HOA owned lot on Oak Meadow Trail: A suggestion for a dog park for the neighborhood was brought to the board. The board would be supportive of this idea, but requested a plan from resident that would include cost of fencing, plans, etc. for future consideration. Comment was that residents already have several acres for pets to play and roam, so not sure how often it would get used.

Spectrum update: Mike Reed. I originally reached out to Doug Dixon, the former sales representative for this area. He is now in Killeen. I asked him via email if he would provide me the name and contact info for the rep that took his place for our area. I never received a response. I then contacted Joe Cannons, Construction Coordinator for Spectrum, to inquire on progress with getting cable into DHC. Joe responded with: "It just got back form design parts need to be order and pole permits back for PEC then construction will be started. When it's ready they have 60 days to do it. Hope this helps." I asked him to please explain what this was about and why PEC was involved. He replied, "Just depends on if they need to change any pole out...they make us replace old stuff they don't like no longer than 90 but they should have been submitted a long time ago, I just don't see it in the file." He did say that they still anticipate having live service in DHC, section 4, before the end of the year. They are also working on

getting some of section 3 live as well. For other sections, they are still working their legal routes with AT&T. I thanked him for the update.

HOA donating to SEPATX: A suggestion was made for the HOA to donate to SEPTATX. The board feels the HOA budget needs to stay separate. We are near the end of the budget year, and funds have mostly been allocated already. No one has approached the board with a specific request or an annount, so no action has happened. If this was to be pursued or formally requested, homeowners' dues would have to be raised, or money used from the Reserve fund which would require a special vote of residents, and home owners are already donating, so there would be no need. Community member said that it does seems like HOA money could pay for legal fees for incorporation since that is an HOA issue. That money could be reimbursed at next month's meeting to SEPATX.

Next meeting date: Thursday,

October 18

Adjourn: 8:13 Motion by: Glen Leisey Seconded by: Mike

Reed All yes

EXHIBIT C

Verified 4/25/18

PETITION TO INCORPORATE DOUBLE HORN AS A TYPE B

GENE.L-LAW CITY, I know that the purpose of this petiton is to incorporate the 'City of Double Horn' as a type B general-law city The territorial boundries would include all of the Double Horn Creek Subdivision, Sections 1 thru 4, and will also include the property to the east of the Double Horn Creek Subdivision to encompass an area of two **square miles**. By signing this petition I am asking that the incoporation of this city be included on a ballot.

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After attending another meeting this morning, it is apparent we have a well rounded

group, with a focus on making our residents more informed, aware of the potential risks of a neighbor such as the one potentially in the works, and a plan to make a stand on many fronts.

DHCWSC News

As we wind up the summer season, and enter a new Fall routine, our community has been given a new focus and mission. In a short time period, with little notice and information to start with, I have been most impressed with the willingness, organization, and quick reaction of our residents mobilizing efforts to investigate and potentially fight our new neighbor to the East.

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What started as a quiet real estate trans action next door to Double Horn Creek, with a new entity owning the adjoining tracts of land East of our neighborhood, and subsequent transfer of ownership into an entity that seems to be moving towards the installation of an unwanted rock crushing (and eventual quarry) oper ation next door, has created an appropri ate defensive response among our com munity members.

Your time and help are encouraged to strengthen the response efforts. We, as the Board of Directors, felt that trying to keep this under the Double Horn Im provement Association umbrella would be limiting to the effort and distract from managing the neighborhood. Watching the formation of SEPA TX, this appears to be the right decision and we support the future of this organization.

Be sure to set your clocks back 1 hour!

Contact the Spicewood Environmental Protection Alliance at www.sepatx.com, or write to

info@sepatx.com.

- Justin Jette

Many thanks

Once again we'd like to recognize Jimmy Spillar for the countless hours and effort he put in to secure another choice of trash collection companies for our neigh borhood!

switch to the new provider. His efforts really paid-off! Those residents who switched over

are seeing a significant reduction in their quarterly garbage collection fees, and the competition has even resulted in a rate reduction for those who still use Republic Services.

Double Horn Creek

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Jimmy worked tirelessly researching, calling

various companies, gathering information, speaking with neighbors, getting signatures, and communicating what needed to be done in order to

A very special thanks to you, Jimmy, for all your efforts!

Saturday January 19, 2019

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Treasurer's Report

As of the end of July 2018 the Double Horn Improvement **Association has Cash Assets totaling** \$119,393.65. There is \$90,329.00 in the Working Fund and \$29,063.68 in the **Reserve Fund**.

The last income report shows that there are 25 delinquent accounts, of which 3 accounts have not paid any dues for 2018, and there are 17 accounts where the secondary assessment has not been received. The remaining 5 owe late fees.

To date, the Association has spent \$112,781.53 on repairs to the roads. Other than road repairs, the association has spent \$15,414.16 on regular maintenance and services for an average of \$2,202 per month. If this trend continues, we expect to spend an additional \$11,000 on **maintenance** and services,

budget of \$1,000 and to date the association has paid out \$6,901. The second item is water usage. The association had a budget of \$1,200 and to date we have been billed \$943. Most of this is from the June water bill where the Double Horn Creek WSC billed the association \$579 for 40,000 gal of water used, instead of the normal \$75. There were no leaks found and the water meter had been recently replaced. A representative of the water company said they are investigating if the association was billed in error. The July water bill was only 8,000 gallons which would indicate that there was no leakage. A motion was made, seconded, and passed to send an appeal to DHCWSC about the high June water bill with a recom mendation that it be adjusted to the average bill for this time of the year. Insurance costs have also gone up but we are still within the 2018 budget.

There are two items where the association will be going over budget this year. The first is legal fees. We had a

Overall the association is in good financial shape and has sufficient funds to cover the usual expenses including the approved road repairs,

- Glenn Leisey

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Communications & Social Committee

A new neighborhood directory is in progress! Very soon, we will send out copies of the current directory and ask that you verify the information that we have on file. If you already know that your information has changed, you needn't wait -- please forward the change(s) to doublehornhoa@gmail.com. Here is the information we need: Name + Spouse name, Lot # and Section #, Current Address, Phones (home and cell), His and Her email addresses, and your approval to publish (we can not publish your contact information without your consent).

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Thank you!

- Mary Millard - Lou Ann Raetz

Landscape Committee Special Thanks

Friday November 9th 6-8PM More information to come as the date approaches!

A very heartfelt "thanks" is extended to the following individuals for the generous donation of their time and hard work to make the 9th Annual Community Work Day a great success: Glenn Leisey, Laura Leisey, Tom King, John Gary, Debbe Gary, R.G. Carver, Harry Brunner, Liz Brunner, Rudy Spice, Beth Spice, and Jerry Clark.

The morning was highly productive. All the beds by the pavilion were raked and weeded, and the volleyball and **horseshoe areas** were spruced-up. A lot of the trees and bushes were trimmed, and an estimated 200+ pounds of **garbage was** picked-up along Highway 71 and properly disposed of.

Because of the hard work of these generous fellow residents, we not only save our community money, but we put pride into where

we live. It also creates the opportunity to get together, meet new people, and unite.

Won't you join us next time?

- Mike Reed

ACC Report

This year has been an exciting year for the Double Horn Creek Architectural Control Committee. With that said, I want to thank the many people on our committee and in our neighborhood who participated in numerous meet ings, phone call and emails to approve plans for 7 new homes, reviews of landscaping designs, driveways, detached garages, casitas as well as fire pits and fencing details. While participating in these reviews and approvals, I was amazed at how many hard working, caring, intelligent people we have around us. I want to thank each and every person that gave me input, counseling, guidance. I appreciate each and every one of you,

Also, during 2018, the Board of Directors adopted Clarification Policies for our ACC committee and subdivi sion. These documents not only help our committee to interpret the original covenants, but acts as a tool for new builders and owners to understand and guide them through the building process for our subdivision. Hope fully, these documents will make the transition from outside our fences to inside our fences a

- RG Carver

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Association
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Conservation, conservation, conservation. This is our message as we continue to closely monitor summer water levels and usage. Last January our com munity consumed 522,000 gallons of water. This figure is our "baseline," a close measure of basic household

needs without šummer irrigation. In July, we consumed 966,000 gallons of water, an 85% increase over the baseline! The difference is largely due to summer irrigation. We understand the appeal of green landscaping and summer fun at the backyard pool. How ever, please bear in mind that water con sumption in the dry summer months places a stress on our system.

Upcoming elections for the board of directors. Three of the five positions on the Double Horn Creek Water Supply Corporation board of directors will be open in January 2019. The elections will be held at the annual meeting on January 19, 2019. Serving on the DHCWSC board is an excellent way to engage with your community. Please consider this service op portunity. The board sets priorities and

governance policy for the DHCWSC.detailed knowledge of water supply matters is not needed!

President - Justin
Jette Vice President Jim Millard Treasurer Glenn Leisey
Director - R.G.
Carver Director - Mike
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Secretaries - Emily

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ons Emily Copeland & Pam Link copeland007@gm ail.com link_pam@yaho o.com

We value input and comments from our members. If you have some good ideas,

please join us at our next board meeting, Notices for board meetings are posted on our

website at www.dhcwsc.org, at the mailboxes, on the Burnet County website, and through a courtesy email to the members.

Social

Committee Mary Millard, Co-Chair mary.millard@memjem .com Lou Ann Raetz, Co-Chair laraetz@gmail.com

What can you do?

Foremost, <u>awareness</u>. Most families in our neighborhood have a typical baseline monthly water consump tion of 4,000 to 9,000 gallons. Have you checked your water usage for June or July? Is it double or even triple your January consumption? If so, we ask you to modify your irrigation pattern. In the near future you will find a water conserva tion brochure mailed to your home. **Please** read it and

consider the benefits of good conservation practices. If each household were to take some simple conservation steps we can all benefit.

Maintenance Committee Jack

Allen, Chair aggiechicken97@ya hoo.com

Online Billing is Available. Did you know that you can elect to pay your water bill

online? We have a trouble-free Just In-Time option which will automatically deduct your water bill payment from your credit card on file on the 14th of the month. Or you can choose to login and

submit your online payment at a conven **ient time**. **Interested?** Contact us either by phone at 512-839-4320 or via email at **tte@t**tellc.us for more instructions.

Landscape

Committee Mike Reed,

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Control Committee

RG Carver, Chair carver 1462@msn.com

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Management

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2018 Double Horn Improvement Association Financial Analysis

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Gates

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Fence Repair

Signs

General Maintenance Recreation Equipment Special Projects

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We have formed an alliance with neighboring communities to stop Spicewood Crushed Stone LLC from building a quarry and **rock** crushing facility between the Double Horn Creek and Spicewood Trails communities.

Our new organization, Spicewood Environmental Protection Alliance Texas (SEPATX), has an important and clear mission: To *protect the* Spicewood community and surrounding Hill Country environment from industrial encroachment, abuse and pollution.

Thanks to the dedicated efforts of our committee members we've accomplished a great deal in just a short week.

SEPATX.org: Our new website is up and running. Please check this site regularly as we'll use the site to communicate upcoming events, new information, sample letters and contact data (government officials and corporate leaders).

Social Media: Facebook, Twitter (@SpicewoodAllia1), Instagram (SaveSpicewood) and YouTube (spicewood alliance) accounts are now active.

Signs: Large signs visible to drivers have been ordered and will be placed along Hwy 71.

Rally September 8th & 9th Saturday & Sunday) @ 103 Vista View Trl: We are demonstrating our absolute opposition to the planned quarry and rock crusher. Please save the dates and plan to participate. More information will be distributed shortly.

Additionally, more work is underway investigating legal **representation**, billboard signs, incorporation, environmental impacts on water and air as well as furthering strategic alliances with **groups that share our concern**. **Please check our website for** further developments.

Direct questions to our new email address: <u>info@sepatx.com</u> your questions will be answered as quickly as possible.

Donations to cover our expenses are welcome-give what you can.

Checks made out to SEPATX can be mailed to:

SEPATX 108

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Spicewood, TX **78669** or dropped off during the Rally on September 8th >h

SEPATX

Committee

Leaders:

RG Carver

Glenn

Leisey

Pam Link

Laura

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Hill Cathy

Sereno

John Gary

Dick Eakins

Chris

Putnam

Basil

Bigbie

Larry

Stirling

SEPATX Co-Chairman

SEPATX

Co-Chairman

SEPATX Secretary

SEPATX Treasurer
Water Committee
Chairperson Water
Committee
Co-Chairperson

Communications & Media Committee Chairperson

Communications & Media
Committee Co-Chairperson
Legal/Document Examination
Committee Chairperson
Incorporation/Annexation
Committee Chairperson TXDOT
Committee Chairperson Property

Values Committee Chairperson

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Doug Ferguson

Elections
Administrator
(512) 715-5288 Fax (512) 715-5287

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I, Doug Ferguson, Elections Administrator for Bumet County Texas, do certify that the following are a true and accurate statement of the votes cast for the City of Double Horn Election held on December 06, 2018.

Dated: December 11, 2018

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Doug Ferguson
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Administrator Bumet
County, Texas

Burnet County Elections. County Clerk Records Building Physical: 106 W.

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SUMMARY OF PRECINCT RETURNS

We, the undersigned, the presiding officers of the canvassing authority for the special election held by 'Burnet County, Texas on the 6th day of December, 2018, do hereby certify that the following is a total of all votes received for the measure as shown by the precinct report. We further certify that the following vote totals include early voting votes by precinct received under section: 87:1231 of the Texas Election Code.

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Name of <u>Election</u>: Special Election for Incorporation

Name of Proposition "Shall the City of Double Horn Incorporate as a Type 8 municipality?"

Total Votes Received

FOR AGAIN Dated this 11th day of December, 2018.

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James Oakley, Cetinty Judge

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Commissioner, Pct. 1

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Russell Graeter, County Commissioner, Pct. 2

Billy Wall, County Commissioner, Pct. 3

Joe Don Dockery, County Commissioner, Pct. 4

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Cumulative Report - Unofficial BURNET COUNTY, TEXAS - CITY OF DOUBLE HORN SPECIAL ELECTION

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02/12/2019 08:25 PM Total Number of Voters : 103 of 182 = 56.59%

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