

**Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District**  
**Monthly Meeting Minutes**  
**August 20, 2018**

1. Call to Order – Prayer -Mr. Dohmann called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District. A prayer was led by Ms. Smith.
2. Pledge of Allegiance - The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Water District Pledge. “May we be responsible stewards of our natural resources.”
3. Roll Call - Art Dohmann, Wilfred Korth, Barbara Smith, Gary Bellows, Ginger Cook, were present. Wesley Ball and Carrol Norrell were absent.
4. Introduction of visitors and welcome guest – Mr. Ball welcomed guest. Heather Sumpter and Leroy Mikeska were present from the District office. The District’s attorney, Ashford Taylor was present. See attached sign in sheet for all guest.
5. Public Comment –David Morgan ask a question to the board in regards to what methodology the district uses to achieve the districts DFC. Mr. Dohmann commented the district does not have a methodology to management to achieve the DFC due a flawed model. The district does use monitor wells to monitor water levels. The District efforts are focused on working with TWDB in the development of a new model.  
Mr. Crittenden from Crittenden drilling was present to inform the board of a well that will be drilled in the southern part of the county. He questioned if an existing registered water well can be reworked and blank screen in the well so the well would be able to use for a permitted to meet the districts screening rules. Mr. Dohmann made comment that consideration would need to be made during a permit hearing.
6. Public Hearing – Open Public Rule Hearing –Mr. Dohmann open the public rules hearing for public comment to consider the following rule changes.

Rule 2.6 B – Delete sentence - The application for change of use shall be in the same form, and governed by the same standards, as the original water permit application.

Rule 7.1 – Change wording to state the board will submit an updated Management Plan every five years and may submit a revised plan at any time.

Rule 8.1 – Add Wording relating to moratorium and transport of processed groundwater.

Rule 11.1 B. – Delete the word immediately.

Rule 12.1 H. – Add wording relating to granting of Historic Use Allocation Certificates.

Rule 12.6 C. – Add wording for permitted annual production for beneficial use.

Rule 12.6 E. – Revision of maximum pumping chart and wording related industry approved seal.

Rule 12.8 E. - Add wording relating to registration of an exempt water well used for drilling or exploration operations.

Mr. Earl Henning was present for the city in regards to a new well the city is considering drilling on ward street. The city is considering the well to pump at a maximum of 600 gpm. Rule 12.6 C. addresses addition to a central zone for pumping maximums. Mr. Henning was present to understand the districts rules on screening depths and pumping maximums.

Mr. Dohmann closed the public hearing.

7. Close Public Hearing – Discussion and take action on rules hearing. – The board took into consideration, changing a proposed pumping rate in the central zone from 400 gpm to 600 gpm. Ms. Smith made a motion to change the central Evangeline zone pumping rate from the proposed 400 gpm to 600 gpm. Mr. Bellows seconded and the motion passed 5-0. Ms. Sumpter asked for the board to double check the boundary line of the map that addresses the zones for the county. After discussion it was determined the boundary line needs to be moved to follow definitive line across the county. Mr. Korth made a motion to adopt the proposed rules. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

#### **Consent Agenda Items**

*Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and may be enacted in one motion. A member of the Board of Directors may request one or more items be removed from the consent agenda for a separate discussion and action.*

8. Approval of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors held on July 23, 2018 and August 13, 2018.
9. Approval of Financial Report for July 2018.
10. Approval of Employee Reimbursements & Directors Reimbursements
11. Approval of Invoices

Mr. Bellows made a motion to approve the consent agenda items #8, #10 that includes Employee Reimbursements for \$200.00 to Heather Sumpter, \$30.52 to Heather Sumpter, and \$176.06 to Leroy Mikeska.. Consent agenda item #11 includes invoices for \$ 40.00 to Farm Bureau, \$520.00 to Farm Bureau. Ms. Smith seconded the motion and the motion passed 5-0.

Consent agenda item #9 was removed from the approval to be discussed individually.

#### **Individual Agenda Items**

12. Discussion and action on line item adjustments. Ms. Smith made a motion to take \$6,805.05 deficit from reserves to make the budget. Korth seconded and the motion passed 5-0. Ms. Smith made a motion to move \$26.00 from line item 800 Contingency to line item 1132-Unemployment Taxes. Ms. Cook seconded and the motion passed 5-0.
13. Discussion and action – Adopt 2018-2019 Budget and Set Tax Rate Hearing. – Ms. Smith made a motion to approve the budget that was approved at the budget hearing as presented and set a tax rate hearing on Sept. 17, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. for a tax rate at \$0.0102 for a budget of \$149,000.00. Mr. Bellows seconded and the motion passed 5-0.
14. Discussion and action relating to McClellan contaminated water well on Oilfield Rd.- Mr. Dohmann advised the board there was a phone conference between Mr. Dohmann, Ms. Sumpter, and the district's attorney, Ashford Taylor. Ms. Sumpter explained that the district will send the Railroad Commission a letter summarizing what has taken place at the McClellan and requesting more investigation take place for the RRC to determine where the contamination is coming from. Mr. Taylor added the RRC needs to be 100% conclusive that the contamination is coming from the disposal pits in order for the RRC to consider funding the plugging of the McClellan water well.
15. Discussion and action on Districts Agreement for Tax Collection Services. – The Districts tax collection contract will be expiring at the end of November. Sixty day written notice is required if the District votes against the renewal. Mr. Steven Saucedo was present to offer any questions that the board may have. Ms. Cook made a motion to renew the tax collection contract with Linebarger for an additional two years being Dec. 1, 2018 through November 30, 2020. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 5-0.
16. Discussion and action on Investment Officers. – Ms. Smith made a motion to appoint Ms. Sumpter as the investment officer for the district and Mr. Ball as the alternate investment officer. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 5-0.

17. Discussion and action on Articles for the newspaper. – Mr. Dohmann spoke to Bill Clough from the newspaper in Goliad. Mr. Dohmann would like to commit to contacting Mr. Clough so articles can be placed in the paper.
18. Discussion and action on TWDB modeling input meeting. – Mr. Dohmann reported the district has a meeting scheduled with TWDB board on August 28<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m. to discuss information regarding the development of the new model. This will be posted as a public meeting.
19. Discussion and action on additional investment consideration. - Mr. Dohmann discussed considering additional investments for the district. Ms. Sumpter reported she spoke to Mr. Ball about the investments and it is his recommendation if the board is interested in investing funds, the district needs to wait until tax revenues came up. No action was taken.
20. Discussion and action on District Water Quality Sampling and Policy for Landowner Water Quality Sampling. – Ms. Smith made a motion to accept partnership with B Environmental for farm and ranch scan water quality sampling with a charge of \$180.00 for the scan and \$70.00 delivery fee. Total cost would be \$250.00. Mr. Bellows seconded and the motion passed 5-0.  
It was determined that there would not be any district uranium water quality sampling for this fiscal year.
21. General Managers Report – No report was given.
22. Field Tech Report - Mr. Mikeska report3d only one new well was located for the month. Unit Petroleum will be fracking the Albrecht well on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Mr. Mikeska also reported Dr. Rainwater will be here on the 23<sup>rd</sup> to check on the recharge sites.
23. Discussion on upcoming meetings and meetings attended. – None reported
24. Items for future consideration / Topics for next meeting. -McClellan, Certificate of Deposit, Election
25. Public Comments
26. Adjourn – Mr. Korth made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed 5-0.