

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Monthly Meeting Minutes

July 17, 2017

1. Call to Order- Wesley Ball called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District Office. A prayer was led by Ms. Norrell.
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 of directors – Art Dohmann, Wilfred Korth, Barbara Smith, Carrol Norrell and Wesley Ball. Record reflects Gary Bellow and Ginger Cook were absent.
4. Introduction of visitors and guest – Mr. Ball welcomed guest. Heather Sumpter was present from the GCGCD office. (attached list of guests)
5. Public comment- No Public comment.

Consent Agenda Items

Consent Agenda Items #6, #7, #8, #9, #10 and #11 were approved with a single motion.

6. Approval of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors held on June 19, 2017.
7. Approval of the Financial Report for June 2017.
8. Approval of Quarterly Investment Report
9. Approval of Employee Reimbursements.
10. Approval of Directors Reimbursements.
11. Approval of Invoices

Mr. Korth made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed 6-0. Mr. Dohmann abstained.

INDIVIDUAL AGENDA ITEMS

12. Presentation of Watershed Wise Award to Mr. Dohmann by Intergovernmental Relations Coordinator, Chelsea Giles. - Mr. Dohmann was presented with an award by Steven Shaver and Chelsea Giles for the Annual Watershed Wise Award for his long-time service and leadership in protecting our groundwater.
13. Un-Table Agenda Item # 14 -Discussion and Action on Operating Permit Renewal for Eula Pfenniger- Ms. Smith made a motion to Un-Table Agenda Item # 14 from the board meeting held on 6-19-17- Discussion and Action on Operating Permit Renewal for Eula Pfenniger. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 7-0. Ms. Sumpter reported Ms. Pfenniger had returned the accurate reporting on her 2016 annual water usage reporting as requested by the District. Ms. Smith made a motion to approve the permit renewal for Eula Pfenniger. Ms. Norrell seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
14. Discussion and Action on Operating Permit Renewal for David Johnson and D Bar J Ranch. – Ms. Sumpter reported David Johnson and D Bar J Ranch has not returned proper required 2015 & 2016 annual water usage report and the permit renewal application for permitted wells No. 79-21-P-0002 and 79-29-P-0006. Ms. Norrell made a motion to send Mr. David Johnson a certified letter requesting required annual reporting forms and permit renewal application and contact the Ranch Manger Buck McKinney of required reporting forms and permit renewal application. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

15. Discussion and action regarding water well registration for Eileen Rome. – Ms. Sumpter reported a water well registration for livestock purposes has been applied for by Eileen Rome. The distance requirements for the location requested by the landowner will not be met. Ms. Rome has asked the Board of Directors to approve the location. Mr. Dohmann made a motion to send Ms. Rome a letter stating the location of the well will be approved subject to a letter from the neighboring landowner, across the road, giving permission of variance on to his property to meet the 135' property line distance requirement on Ms. Rome's property and subject to District Rule 15.2, the use of groundwater to pump into the stock tank is limited to 50 percent of the depth of the stock tank.
16. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Borth Water Well Drilling Services to Violation 11.2 of the District Rules. – Ms. Sumpter reported a matter of Borth Water Well Drilling Services being in violation of District Rule 11.2, drilling a water well without giving the District 24-hour notice. Mr. Dohmann made a motion for the violation to be noted as the first written violation for Borth Water Well Services and any further violations will include reprimand as well as a signed copy from Borth Water Well Services stating the understanding of District Rule 11.2. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
17. Discussion and Possible Action regarding Carter Water Well Drilling to Violation 11.2 of the District Rules. – Ms. Sumpter reported a matter of Carter Water Well Services being in violation of District Rule 11.2, drilling a water well without giving the District 24-hour notice. The Board of Directors determined that this is Carter Water Well's 2nd violation. Ms. Norrell made a motion to fine Mr. Cater \$100.00 and a signed copy from Mr. Carter stating he understands District Rules, due within 30 days.
18. Presentation by Carl Hummell and Attorney Pat Hundley regarding water wells for the City of Kennedy in the Evangeline Aquifer. – Carl Hummell and attorney Pat Hundley gave presentation on the proposed water wells for the City of Kenedy in the Evangeline Aquifer.
19. Discussion and Action regarding final approval without revisions to adoption of Desired Future Conditions. – Mr. Dohmann made a motion to approve Goliad County Desired Future Conditions. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
20. Discussion and action regarding preparation of the new management plan. – The Board of Directors will review the current management plan and will discuss at the next board meeting.
21. Discussion and action on new proposed budget preparation. – The board of directors will hold a budget workshop before the August board meeting.
22. Discussion and action regarding storage building. – Ms. Sumpter reported the storage building is being discussed in the Commissioner's Court to see if it can be of use to the County.
23. Discussion and Possible action regarding draft letter for exempt water wells. -Ms. Smith made a motion to approve the letter drafted as amended to send out to landowners for registered exempt wells. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
24. General Managers Report – Ms. Sumpter reported DBS&A has started working on the District's Work Scope. Ms. Sumpter also report that five new exempt water wells were located the past month. Four for livestock purposes and 1 for domestic and livestock.
25. Discussion and Possible Action on Cathodic Protection Wells. – Further review of topic is needed.
26. Discussion and possible action regarding Resolutions to Revise the Number of Voting Positions on the Board of Directors of the Goliad County Appraisal District. – The Board of Directors agreed to set up a meeting with SARA and the City to discuss the next step in presenting Resolutions to revise the number of voting positions on the Board of Directors of the Goliad County Appraisal District.
27. Items for future consideration / Topics for next meeting. – Management Plan, The City of Kenedy, Line Item Adjustments.
28. Public Comment. - No Public Comments
29. Adjourn. – Mr. Korth made a motion to adjourn. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

Approved By the Board of Director's on 8-21-17