Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors Special Meeting Minutes 8-07-23

- 1. Call to Order Prayer Mr. Korth called the meeting to order and Ms. Smith led a prayer.
- 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, Roy Rosin, Reagan Sahadi, Barbara Smith, Terrell Graham, and Wilfred Korth were present. Ernest Alaniz was absent.
- 4. Introduction of Visitors and Welcome Guest Mr. Korth welcomed Michelle Shelton, GCGCD employee. Also in attendance were Ginger Cook, Trey Stubbs representing Schendel Ranch, Kristi and Tim Meyers, Heath Hoefling and William Warwas representing Sisters of the Incarnate.
- 5. Public Comment There was a public comment by Terrell Graham regarding the conversation between Mr. Graham, Mr. Dohmann and Mrs. Shelton with Natalie Baleaux, Director of the Groundwater division at TWDB. Ms. Baleaux is in receipt of the comments submitted on behalf of the District. It was indicated that TWDB will need to do an "autoposy" of the GAM model and will need to start over from the beginning. It was requested that her responses be submitted in writing. She agreed. The District is pending the written response to the conference call.

Individual Agenda Items

- 6. Open Public Hearing Drilling and Operating Permit Hearing for Richard Schendel. Permit No. 79-21-P-0115 for Richard Schedel located at 3884 State Hwy 239 W. Goliad, TX. 77963 on a 1,555 acre tract owned by Schendel Ranch LLC. Water from the well will be used for irrigation. The 150 HP pump is capable of producing 1200 gpm with a requested amount of water being 1,115 ac/ft/yr. Mr. Graham made public comment to put a note in permit file that "ownership" was on both sides of the road, so the 100' district requirement from the property line is not accurate. Also, to specify on permit that no screaning can occur above 800'. Mr. Stubbs indicated that there is an oilfield well with a solar pump on it in the close proximity of the permitted well that we could utilize as a monitor well. It was also noted that water usage will need to be reported from electrical usage as this well will have its own power supply.
- 7. Close Public Hearing Take Action on Permit No. 79-21-P-0115 for Richard Schendel. Mr. Dohmann made the motion to accept the permit with the above notations to the final permit. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed unanimously. Mr. Graham moved to amend the motion to include that the drilling permit would be valid for one (1) calendar year. Mr. Dohman seconded the motion amendment. The motion carried unopposed.
- 8. Open Pubic Hearing Operating Permit Hearing for Tim Meyer. Permit No. 79-20-P-0116 for Tim Meyer located at 434 John Pettus Goliad, TX 77963 on a 1,005 – acre tract owned by Tim Meyer. Water from the well will be used for irrigation, livestock, and road construction. The pump is capable of producing 600 gpm with a requested amount of water being 170 ac/ft/yr. There was public comment from Mr. and Mrs. Meyers that 120 acres were currently being irrigated under an existing HUAC permit at 150 ac/ft/yr. Well is currently being used for road construction which is a violation of District rules. Mr. Hoefling and Mr. Warwas stated concerns about water level draw down to neighboring property owners if a new well was put in place. It was clarified that this was not a new well request. This is an increase in useage and water allowable for an existing well. Mr. Dohmann made a motion for a permit request at 240 ac/ft/yr for hay production, 11.6 ac/ft/yr for cattle and 10 ac/ft/vr for road construction with the specification that the 10 ac/ft/yr for road construction is for this year ONLY and for the current road project ONLY that will end in approximately 1 month. If road construction work would need to be added back to the permit, it would require a new permit. This permit will require annual reporting and road construction will need to be reported to the District monthly. Mr. Dohmann requested that the property owner put in an hour meter for more accurate reporting of water useage.

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- Close Public Hearing Take Action on Permit No. 79-20-P-0116 for Tim Meyer. Mr. Graham moved to approve the permit request per the above specifications. Mr. Sahadi seconded. The motion carried unanimously. Mr. Dohman moved to approve the Transport Permit. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried unanimously.
- 10. Open Public Hearing on 2023 Management Plan for Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District. There was no Public Comment.
- 11. Close Public Hearing Discussion and action on adoption of the 2023 Management Plan for Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District. Mr. Domann moved to accept the 2023 Management Plan for the Goliad Count Groundwater Conservation District. Mr. Graham Seconded. The motion passed unanimously. Resolution Adopting Management Plan signed by all attending Directors.
- 12. Hold Budget workshop. Items for correction/revision on the proposed 2023-2024 budget:
 - Change 101B Office Building to 101B Future Office Site
 - Add \$900 to Proposed Budget for Future Office Site
 - Add \$1,000 to Account 104 for a total of \$2,200. Increase of \$1,000 for new computer(s)
 - Revise Total Administrative Budget to \$16,700.00
 - Change Contested Case Hearing Total Budget to \$80,000
 - Move \$20,000 from Contested Case Hearing line item and create a new line item to read UEC Mining Permit. This will be Account 207.
 - Add 4,000 to line item 404 Joint Planning
 - Revise Total Yearly Operating Budget to \$310,300
 - Update Income Line for Tax Valuation to \$147,180

Mr. Graham moved to adopt the new tax rate for 2023-2024 at .01208. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

- 13. Discussion and Action on adding Michelle Shelton, General Manager, to signature card at First National Bank of Goliad. Mr. Graham moved to approve adding Michelle Shelton, General Manager, to signature card at First National Bank of Goliad. Mr. Rosin seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- 14. Discussion and Action on the bid proposal for lot cleanup and maintenance. Mr. Graham moved to approve up to \$1,900 for lot cleanup and a maximum of \$150 to maintain Future Office Site lot as needed. Mr. Sahadi seconded. The motion passed unanimously.
- 15. Public Comments No Public Comments
- 16. Adjourn Mr. Dohmann made a motion to adjourn, Mr. Sahadi seconded and the motion passed.

Submitted by: Michelle Shelton

Approved by Board of Directors: 8/21/23

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