GOLIAD COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MINUTES OF MEETING

<u>8-15-22</u>

Call to order – Mr. Korth called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. at 118 S. Market Street in Goliad, Texas.

The public attending this meeting were Bennie Vickers, Wesley Vickers, Bill Parmley, Dudley Rains, Carol Rains, Ginger Cook, and Tina Shearman. All directors were in attendance.

Public Comment – there was no public comment.

Mr. Korth opened the public comment period for Permit No. 79-21-P-0111 for Carol Rains. The purpose of the hearing is to hear comments concerning an existing well on Mrs. Rains property that would be used for road construction on US Hwy 183 north in Goliad County and for livestock watering. The well will be jetted into a stock pond for use. Water will be pumped from the stock pond into water trucks and hauled to road construction area. The requested amount of water is 17.02 ac/ft/yr. There was no comment from the public on the permit request. Mr. Korth then opened the permit to the Board's action. Mr. Rains explained why this permit is now being considered by him and Mrs. Rains instead of Mr. Bruns' well that was permitted for this usage in March 2022. Hunter Industries is the company doing the road work and they have contracted with Mrs. Rains to dig a tank close to this existing well and jet water into the tank for the roadwork and for Mr. Rains cattle. Mr. Hummel moved to approve the permit for three years for 17.02 ac/ft/yr with maximum flow of 100 gpm and reporting by hour meter run time @ 60 psi at 80 gpm. Mr. Rains will report gallons pumped and will include some number of gallons for evaporation. Reporting will be monthly until constriction is completed. If Mr. Rains continues to jet the well at the same rate for cattle, he will need to continue reporting annually. Mr. Dohmann seconded and the motion carried.

Mr. Korth opened the public hearing for Permit # 79-30-P-112 for J. Carroll Weaver, Inc. This is a drilling and operating permit application. This well will be drilled to 300 ft. and will be screened at 300 feet. The operating permit application is for 10 ac. Ft per year for 3 years. The well will also be used to fill a stock tank and the water will be taken from the tank for road work. There was no public comment. Mr. Korth opened the permit to the Board's action. The Board approved the permit on a motion from Art Dohmann and a seconded from Barbara Smith. Reporting will be monthly during the road construction and annually afterwards unless Mr. Crow (owner) decides to have a small pump (1 1/2 hp or less) put in and then no reporting will be required.

7 & 8. Mr. Graham moved to approve the minutes of July 13, July 18, and August 3, 2022 and Employee and Directors Expenses of \$43.10 for Heather Sumpter for well locates on July 19, 2022. Also approved was Mileage reimbursement for Leroy Mikeska for \$351 for well locates for July 14 – August 10, 2022. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion carried. We were given the final invoice from LRE for \$1884,50 through July 25, 2022, Mr. Hummel moved to pay. Mr. Dohmann seconded and the motion carried.

10. Mr. Ball moved to transfer \$25,000 from Reserves to Operating to correct balance. Mr. Dohmann seconded and the motion carried.

11. Mr. Dohmann moved to approve the revised July financials. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion carried.

12. Mr. Graham moved to adopt the budget for the 2022-2023 tax fiscal year of \$288,940 and the proposed tax rate being \$.011223. This rate should bring in \$123,475 on a 97% collection rate. The Tax Rate hearing will be held on September 19, 2022. Mr. Hummel seconded and the motion carried.

13. The Board discussed the fund balances for the District and decided to adopted the following balances: **Assigned Fund Balances:**

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Legal Expenses	\$99,749
Technical Studies	\$30,000
Well Plugging Assistance	\$20,000
Water Testing/Quality Control	\$40,000
Building Maintenance/ Building Fund	\$150,000
Unassigned Funds	\$85,251
Total	\$425,000

The motion to approve the fund balances was made by Mr. Ball and seconded by Mr. Dohmann. The motion carried.

14. Permit renewal for Joe Sterling – Permit 79-22-P0077 -The motion was made by Mr. Graham and seconded by Mr. Ball to renew for 3 years. Motion carried.

15. Mr. Graham moved to untable this item from last month. Mr. Ball seconded; motion carried. Send letter saying this well qualifies as an exempt well. The District will ask the landowners if they want to remove the permit or retain for future use? Mr. Graham made the motion and Ms. Smith seconded. Motion carried.

16 Tabled

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18. Adoption of Desired Future Conditions- Mr. Graham moved to adopt the DFC for the groundwater resources in Goliad County as follows:

Chicot Aquifer: 4 feet of recovery with an evaluation factor of +/- 17 feet.

Evangeline Aquifer: 2 feet of recovery with an evaluation factor of +/- 36 feet.

Burkeville Aquifer: 7 feet of drawdown with an evaluation factor of +/- 14 feet.

Jasper Aquifer: 14 feet of drawdown with an evaluation factor of +/- 7 feet.

Mr. Dohmann seconded and the motion carried unanimously.

19. Review of the Gulf Coast Aquifer GAM - The deadline for submitting comments is August 31, 2022. We have our comments and comments from LRE. These comments should be sent to TWDB via email and certified mail to TWDB by this date. Mr. Graham moved to approve the LRE report and finalize our comments and send to proper persons. Mr. Rosin seconded and the motion carried. Mr. Graham will send to GMA 15.

The board recessed for 30 minutes so that those wishing to attend the visitation for Leroy Mikeska could attend.

The Board reconvened

21. RFP for Financial Audit Services – The motion to send requests was made by Terrell Graham, and seconded by Carl Hummel. The motion carried.

23. Action on Manager and Field Tech Position – Mr. Graham moved to pay Ms. Smith \$25 per hour and a temp \$15 per hour to keep our office running as well as possible. Art Dohmann seconded and the

motion carried with Ms. Smith abstaining. Mr. Graham moved to have Mr. Korth and Mr. Ball form a committee to search for a professional firm to find a Manager for the District. Mr. Graham also moved to have Ms. Smith put an ad in papers for Field Tech. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried. Mr. Graham moved to pay a Field Tech \$15 per hour to start. Mr. Hummel seconded the Field Tech motion and the motion carried.

22. Solar Farms – The District received official notification of the hearing to be held on Monday, August 22, 2022 at 2 p.m. and 6 p.m. Ms. Smith will post notice of attending meeting just in case we have a quorum.

27. Mr. Graham attended the meeting of Region L on August 4 and this group has begun work on water demands for the next cycle. Next meeting is Nov. 3. Drought of record? It has been determined that the drought of record is the 1950's 7-year drought.

28. Mr. Dohmann wrote ideas about ANNUAL/ SICK LEAVE that will be discussed at a future meeting.

Mr. Hummel moved to adjourn. Mr. Graham seconded and the meeting adjourned.

Submitted by: Barbara Smith