

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Monthly Meeting Minutes

November 20, 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.
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 – Wesley Ball, Art Dohmann, Wilfred Korth, Barbara Smith were present. Gary Bellow, Ginger Cook and Carrol Norrell were absent.
4. Introduction of visitors and guest – See attached sheet.
5. Public Comment – David Morgan addressed the Board with a thank you for all of the hard work that the District has done to help the southern landowners of Karnes County.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS

6. Approval of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors held on October 12, 2017 & October 16, 2017.
7. Approval of the Financial Report for October 2017
8. Approval of Directors Reimbursements
9. Approval of Employee Reimbursements
10. Approval of Invoices

Agenda Items #6, #8, #9 and #10 were approved in a single motion. Ms. Smith made a motion to approve consent agenda items #6, #8, #9 and #10. Mr. Dohmann seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

Mr. Dohmann made a motion to approve consent agenda item #7. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 4-0.

INDIVIDUAL AGENDA ITEMS

11. Discussion and action to Un-Table agenda item #8-Approval of Financial Report for September 2017, from the October 16, 2017 monthly meeting agenda and approval of Financial Reports for September 2017. – Ms. Smith made a motion to un-table agenda item #8- Approval of Financial Report for September 2017 from the October 16, 2017 monthly meeting. Mr. Dohmann seconded and the motion passed 4-0. Mr. Dohmann made a motion to approve the financial report for Sept 2017. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed 4-0.
12. Discussion and possible action on Operating Permit renewals for Jim Cohn, Texas Meek Ranches, W. Dale Morris, David Johnson. – Mr. Dohmann made a motion to approve the permit renewal for Jim Cohn. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed 4-0. Ms. Sumpter gave an update for Texas Meek Ranches and W. Dale Morris. Both permit holders need to redo the application for the permits because of changes that have occurred. Ms. Sumpter is working with both landowners on their application process.
13. Discussion and action on annual water usage reports. - Ms. Sumpter reported on the wells that have still not turned in their usage reports from 2016. A certified letter has been sent to each landowner.

14. Discussion and action on water well registration for Glory Willeford. – Ms. Sumpter reported landowner Glory Willeford, called to have a water well drilled on .23-acre tract of land for domestic use. Ms. Sumpter went and looked at the property and determined distant requirements cannot be met to follow District rules. There is an existing well on the property that is not grandfathered but it is contaminated. Mr. Darwin Duderstadt provided a letter stating that he is aware that the existing well was drilled prior to 2003. Mr. Dohmann made a motion to accept the letter from Mr. Duderstadt giving the existing well a grandfathered status, and the District approve the registration of the well with installation of ½ HP pump under the conditions that there will be a variance from Mr. Duderstadt giving her ½ acre water rights which would give her .72 acres. The cost of cementing of the well would be determined by the county inspector, and the old well to be plugged. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 4-0.
15. Discussion and possible action related to the City of Kenedy proposed water supply project for the City of Kenedy. – Ms. Sumpter gave an update to the Board on City of Kenedy Project. A copy of a letter that was sent to Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District stating the joint efforts that have occurred between the District and EUWCD during this project process. Data from the pump test has not been provided from EUWCD. Limited information was provided by EUWCD which included the well could not pump more than 29 gpm without substantial drawdown. The pump test was conducted for a period of 48 hours. After the 48-hour pump test the neighboring monitor well located 750' from the test well on the Harnden property saw drawdown of 11'. The transducers that were installed in the selected monitor wells were pulled out of the wells on Dec. 20th. Also, EUWCD provided that the test well had bacteriological issues. However, to what extent was not provided.
16. Discussion and possible action regarding Railroad Commission work on the McLellan Study. – Ms. Sumpter reported that Mr. Bellows provided an estimate that he received from Carter Water Well Service for plugging the McClellan well. The cost will be around \$3,000.00. The Board will look at the cost estimated when received by the driller and will be addressed at the December Board meeting.
17. Discussion and possible action regarding review of DBS&A draft of Task 1 Report. – Copy of the comments were provided that were submitted to DBS&A. Andy with DBS&A will be sending a response on those comments within the next few days.
18. Discussion and action regarding preparation of the new management plan. – A copy of the new management plan was provided for the boards review. The management plan needs to be approved at the December board meeting for the submittal to Texas Water Development Board in January.
19. General Managers Report. – Ms. Sumpter reported on recent permitting done in Karnes County by Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District that is close to the Goliad/Karnes County line. Ms. Sumpter reported the City of Goliad are looking at drilling a new water well next summer. The consultant with LBJ Guyton called the District to receive District Rules in anticipation for this new well.
The weather station is scheduled to be installed the week after Thanksgiving.
The City gave a credit to the water bills for the hurricane. The District received a credit for \$74.46.
20. Field Tech Report - Mr. Mikeska reported on the new well location that were located for the District. He reported that the monitor wells were almost completed for the fall monitoring.
21. Discussion and action on approval of replacement of District Laptop. – A Cost estimate was provided from Tim Meador with Synergistic for a replacement of the District laptop. The Board requested additional cost estimates from other businesses.
22. Items for future consideration / Topics for next meeting. – City of Kenedy Project, New Management Plan
23. Public Comments - None
24. Adjourn – Mr. Dohmann made motion to adjourn. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 4-0.