

**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' PUBLIC MEETING
NORTH TEXAS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

TUESDAY, MARCH 11, 2014

**CITY OF KRUM
CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
146 W. MCCART ST
KRUM, TX 76249**

Members Present: Thomas Smith, Ronny Young, Eddy Daniel, Evan Groeschel, Kenny Klement, Ron Sellman

Members Absent: Philip Sanders, Chris Boyd, Dan Collins

Staff: Jerry Chapman, Drew Satterwhite, Carolyn Bennett and Carmen Catterson

Visitors: Kristen Fancher, Sledge Fancher, PLLC
C. Kent Adams, The Hills of Lone Star
Dale Chepulis, Double D Drilling
Bob Fazen, property owner
Andrew Figueroa, Town of Little Elm
Axel Haubold, Bedrock Ranch
May Haubold, Bedrock Ranch
Zac Hildenbrand, Inform Environmental
Penny Jordan, property owner
Keith King, The Weekly News of Cooke County
Jerry Morgan, Oak Bend HOA Water Supply Corporation
David Patterson, Patterson Professional Services
Chris Rakoci, property owner
Martin Rakoci, property owner
Matt Van Hattan, Collier Consulting
Neal Welch, City of Sanger

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Board Member Daniel led the Pledge of Allegiance and the invocation.

2. Call to order, establish quorum; declare meeting open to the public

President Smith called the public meeting to order at 9:37 AM. All Board members were present except Board Members Sanders, Boyd, and Collins

3. Approval of Minutes from the January 14, 2014, public hearing and board meeting

Secretary/Treasurer Young motioned to approve the Minutes from the January 14, 2014 board meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Sellman and passed unanimously with Board Members Boyd, Collins and Sanders absent.

4. Consider and act upon approval of invoices and reimbursements.

Mr. Satterwhite reviewed the invoices with the Board.

Board Member Daniel motioned to approve the invoices as presented for a total cost of \$46,024.45. The motion was seconded by Board Member Groeschel and passed unanimously with Board Members Sanders, Boyd, and Collins absent.

5. a. Budget and Finance Committee

1) Receive Monthly Financial Information

Mr. Satterwhite reviewed the financial information with the Board.

2) Consider and act upon confirming execution of engagement letter for audit services for fiscal year ending December 31, 2013

The audit proposals were on the February agenda for consideration. However, the meeting was cancelled due to inclement weather. President Smith appointed a committee to review the proposals and select one to be confirmed by the Board. The committee selected Hankins, Easup, Deaton, Tonn & Seay to perform auditing services for 2013 fiscal year.

Secretary/Treasurer Young motioned to select the Hankins, Easup, Deaton, Tonn & Seay Firm to perform 2013 auditing services. The motion was seconded by Board Member Sellman and passed unanimously with Board Members Sanders, Boyd, and Collins absent.

b. Investment Committee

No report received

c. Rules and Bylaws Committee

No report received

d. Groundwater Monitoring and Database Committee

No report received

e. Policy and Personnel Committee

No report received

f. Conservation and Public Awareness Committee

Board Member Klement reported that he had received a question from a citizen as to why yards were irrigated with sprinklers instead of soaker hoses. Board Member Groeschel explained that The Colony uses drip irrigation systems and many of their citizens do as well. Drip irrigation systems result in less water loss to evaporation than traditional sprinkler systems. President Smith explained that the Conservation Committee could review the different types of sprinklers to provide recommendations to property owners.

g. Management Plan Committee

1) Receive quarterly report

Mr. Satterwhite provided the quarterly report. 31 well inspections were performed in 2013.

2) Receive annual report

Mrs. Bennett presented the annual report to the Board. She explained that the staff worked in 2013 to review the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation (TDLR) submitted driller reports and compared them with the District's registered wells. Many wells were found that needed to be registered. The well drillers were educated on registration requirements and are now coming into compliance.

Board Member Sellman motioned to accept the 2013 annual report as presented. The motion was seconded by Board Member Daniel and passed unanimously with Board Members Sanders, Boyd, and Collins absent.

6. Consider and act upon proposal from Dr. Zac Hildenbrand for the UT-Arlington Barnett Shale study

This was discussed at the January Board meeting with information provided by Dr. Zac Hildenbrand. Dr. Hildenbrand provided a proposal to the Board. Board Member Groeschel asked about the funding process. Dr. Hildenbrand explained that the funding would be provided to Dr. Hildenbrand and then he would provide the appropriate share of funds to UT Arlington. This allows more data to be collected. The timeline includes a full report by September 1st. Updates can be provided to the Board as often as necessary with an expected update within 2-3 months.

The current project is only in the Barnett Shale formation, but they are working to expand into two other shale formations in Texas and eventually across the United States. Mrs. Fancher clarified that the proposal is the same as the one approved by groundwater districts across the State. She confirmed that from a legal perspective, the District would be protected.

