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

Tuesday, May 14, 2024, at 10:00 a.m.

## Pilot Point ISD Administration Office 829 S. Harrison St. Pilot Point, TX 76258

Please note for in-person attendance that the Board meeting location can only accommodate a limited number of attendees to comply with state requirements related to in-person gatherings. In the event in-person attendance exceeds any state or local requirements, the District may provide an option for virtual participation for any overflow attendees as necessary and authorized by law.

Members Present:

Ronny Young, Jimmy Arthur, Allen Knight, Robert Todd, and Allen McDonald

Members Absent:

Thomas Smith, David Flusche, Greg Peters, and Everette Newland

Staff:

Paul Sigle, Allen Burks, Debi Atkins, and Velma Starks

Visitors:

Kristen Fancher, Law Offices of Kristen Fancher, PLLC

### **Permit Hearing**

Permit Hearing will begin at 10:00 a.m.

#### Agenda:

1. Call to Order; establish quorum; declare hearing open to the public; introduction of Board.

Board President Ronny Young called the Permit Hearing to order at 10:03 a.m.

2. Public Comment on the Production Permit Applications (verbal comments limited to three (3) minutes each).

No public comments.

3. Review the Production Permit Applications of:

#### **New Production Permits**

a. Applicant: Verona Special Utility District; 408 W. FM 545, Suite 400, Blue Ridge, TX 75424 Location of Well: 9928 FM 1377, Blue Ridge, TX 75424; Latitude: 33.279661°N, Longitude: 96.418907°W; About 205 feet east of FM 1377 and about 890 feet north of CR 502 in Collin County.

Purpose of Use: Municipal/Public Water System
Requested Amount of Use: 50,947,917 gallons per year
Production Capacity of Well(s): 250 gallons/minute

Aquifer: Trinity (Paluxy)

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed a. and b. permits together.

- b. Applicant: Verona Special Utility District; 408 W. FM 545, Suite 400, Blue Ridge, TX 75424 Location of Wells:
  - Well #7 (new): 9928 FM 1377, Blue Ridge, TX 75424; Latitude: 33.279661°N, Longitude: 96.418872°W; About 216 feet east of FM 1377 and about 890 feet north of CR 502 in Collin County.
  - Well #5 (existing): 7361 CR 619, Farmersville, TX 75442; Latitude: 33.254256°N, Longitude: 96.386412°W; About 118 feet west of Co. Rd. 619 and about 140 feet north of Co. Rd. 574 in Collin County.
  - Well #4 (existing): 7334 FM 1377, Blue Ridge, TX 75424; Latitude: 33.245398°N, Longitude: 96.437018°W; About 440 feet south of the intersection of FM 1377 and Co. Rd. 571 in Collin County.
  - Well #2 (existing): 9424 Co. Rd. 502, Blue Ridge, TX 75424; Latitude: 33.277266°N, Longitude: 96.432056 °W; About 100 feet south of Co. Rd. 502 and about 3,620 feet west of FM 1377 in Collin County.
  - Well #1 (existing): 9770 FM 1377, Blue Ridge, TX 75424; Latitude: 33.275374°N, Longitude: 96.420935°W; About 660 feet south of Co. Rd. 502 and about 103 feet east of FM 1377 in Collin County.

Purpose of Use: Municipal/Public Water System

Requested Amount of Use: 234,461,750gallons per year

**Production Capacity of Wells:** 

- Well #7: 450 gallons/minute
- Well #5: 225 gallons/minute
- Well #4: 350 gallons/minute
- Well #2: 313 gallons/minute
- Well #1: 300 gallons/minute

Aquifer: Woodbine

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed a. and b. permits together. Discussion was held.

c. Applicant: Double Diamond Inc.;12720 Hillcrest Rd., Suite 400, Dallas, TX 75230 Location of Well: Co Rd. 106, Whitesboro, TX 762713; Latitude: 33.817964°N, Longitude: 96.975725°W; About 200 feet north of Co. Rd. 106 and about 275 feet east of the intersection of Co. Rd. 106/Co. Rd. 125 in Cooke County.

Purpose of Use: Municipal/Public Water System; Irrigation/Landscape

Requested Amount of Use: 16,925,062 gallons per year Production Capacity of Well: 185 gallons/minute

**Aquifer:** Trinity (Antlers)

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the permit with the Board.

- d. Applicant: The Cole Ranch Company; PO Drawer S, Denton, TX 76202 Location of Wells:
  - Well #2 (new): The Cole Ranch, Ponder, TX 76227; Latitude: 33.188978°N Longitude: 97.217736°W; About 4,360 feet north of FM 2449 and about 3,510 feet east of C Wolfe Rd in Denton County.
  - Well #3 (new): The Cole Ranch, Ponder, TX 76227; Latitude: 33.185150°N Longitude: 97.223292°W; About 2,965 feet north of FM 2449 and about 1,821 feet east of C Wolfe Rd

in Denton County.

- Well #1 (existing): 6922 FM 2449, Denton, TX 76227; Latitude: 33.186556°N Longitude: 97.206233°W; About 3,422 feet north of FM 2449 and about 7,050 feet east of C Wolfe Rd in Denton County.
- Cole Trust 576 (existing): 4358 FM 2449, Ponder, TX 76227; Latitude: 33.18533°N
   Longitude: 97.21178°W; About 3,070 feet north of FM 2449 and about 5,340 feet east of C
   Wolfe Rd in Denton County.

Purpose of Use: Agriculture (Tree Farm); Irrigation/Landscape; Filling Pond(s)/Other

Impoundments(s); Construction Water.

Requested Amount of Use: 250,093,000 gallons per year.

**Production Capacity of Wells:** 

• Well #1: 332 gallons/minute

- Well #2: 350 gallons/minute
- Well #3: 350 gallons/minute
- Cole Trust 576: 180 gallons/minute

**Aquifer:** Trinity (Antlers)

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the permit with the Board. Discussion was held.

e. Applicant: Denton ISD.; 230 N. Mayhill Rd, Denton, TX 76208

Location of Well: 2225 Riney Rd, Denton, TX 76207; Latitude: 33.247302°N, Longitude: 97.158265°W; About 665 feet east of N Bonnie Brae St and about 687 feet south of Riney Rd in Denton County.

Purpose of Use: Irrigation/Landscape

**Requested Amount of Use:** 3,757,450 gallons per year **Production Capacity of Well:** 120 gallons/minute

Aquifer: Trinity (Antlers)

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the permit with the Board. Discussion was held.

4. Consider and act upon the Production Permit Applications, including designation of parties and/or granting or denying the Production Permit Applications in whole or in part, as applicable.

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed all the permits with the Board. Discussions were held. Board Member Allen Knight made the motion to approve the permits. Board Member Allen McDonald seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Adjourn or continue permit hearing.

Board President Ronny Young adjourned the permit hearing at 10:13 a.m.

#### **Board Meeting**

### Agenda:

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Board President Ronny Young led the Pledge of Allegiance and provided the invocation.

2. <u>Call to order, establish quorum; declare meeting open to the public.</u>

Board President Ronny Young called the meeting to order at 10:15 a.m.

3. Public Comment

There were no public comments at this time.

4. Consider and act upon approval of the minutes from the March 19, 2024, Board meeting.

Board President Ronny Young asked for approval of the minutes from the March 19, 2024, meeting. Board Member Allen Knight made the motion to approve the minutes. Board Member Jimmy Arthur seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Consider and act upon approval of invoices and reimbursements, Resolution No. 2024-5-14-01.

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the liabilities with the Board. Discussion was held. Board Member Allen McDonald made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2024-5-14-01. Board Member Robert Todd seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

- 6. Receive reports from the following Committees\*:
  - a. Budget and Finance Committee
    - 1. Receive Monthly Financial Information

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the Financial Report with the Board.

- b. Investment Committee
  - 1. Receive Quarterly Investment Report

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the Quarterly Investment Report with the Board.

- c. Management Plan Committee
  - 1. Receive Quarterly Report

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the Quarterly Report with the Board.

7. Review and act upon approval of the District's Investment Policy.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Board Member Allen Knight made the motion to approve the Investment Policy. Board Member Jimmy Arthur seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

8. <u>Discussion and possible action regarding the selection of auditing services to start the next fiscal year.</u>

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Debi Atkins, Finance Officer provided details. Discussion was held. The Board suggested that the current auditor be contacted for information on what the charges for auditing services would be and report back to the Board.

9. Consider and act upon a Scope of Work for Initial Task related to the District's Database with LRE Water.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information for the Board. Work needs to be done for security reasons. Discussion was held. Board Member Allen McDonald made the motion to approve the proposed initial scope of work. Board Member Robert Todd seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

10. <u>Update and possible action regarding the process for the development of Desired Future Condition (DFCs).</u>

General Manager Paul Sigle informed the Board that GMA 8 will be meeting Wednesday, May 15, 2024. An update on the GMA 8 GAM is to be received. RFQ for selecting a consultant for the next round of DFCs will be voted on. Regional Water Planning Group GMA 8 representatives will be updated.

11. <u>Discussion and possible action regarding extending deadlines for completed permitted wells.</u>

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information on permits applicants requesting additional extensions past the allowable about in the District's Rules. Discussion was held. The Board decided to allow additional extension if the applicant provided explanation of the delay to drill the well, continue to meet all spacing requirements, and paid the \$600 permit amendment fee.

12. Consider and act upon compliance and enforcement activities for violations of District rules.

General Manager Paul Sigle updated the Board on Barco Well Service spacing issue. Barco Well Services obtained spacing waivers from both well owners and have paid the fine for the violations. The compliance issue was closed.

- 13. General Manager's Report: The General Manager will update the board on operational, educational and other activities of the District.
  - a. District's Disposal/Injection Well Program

No update

b. Well Registration Summary

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the well registration summary with the Board. Thirty-one wells were registered in March and twenty-two wells were registered in April.

Open forum/discussion of new business for future meeting agendas.

Update unpaid fees. Failure to turn in meter readings. Discussion was held.

15. Adjourn public meeting

Board President Ronny Young declared the meeting adjourned at 10:47 a.m.

Velma Starks Recording Secretary

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