Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District Monthly Meeting Minutes March 19, 2018

- 1. Call to Order Prayer- Wesley Ball called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District Office. A prayer was led by Ms. Norrell.
- 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 Wesley Ball, Art Dohmann, Wilfred Korth, Barbara Smith, Gary Bellow, Ginger Cook, and Carrol Norrell were present.
- 4. Introduction of visitors and welcome guest Heather Sumpter, General Manager for the District and Leroy Mikeska from the District's Office was also present. Also see attached sign in sheet for all guest that attended.
- 5. Public Comment -No public comment.
- 6. Open Public Hearing Under Section 36.404 of the Texas Water Code, the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors does hereby give notice of a public hearing to be held on Monday, March 19, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. at the Groundwater District Office, 118 S. Market St., in Goliad, Texas. The purpose of this hearing is to hear public comment on the application for revisions on two operating permits for Texas Meek Ranches located at 9796 FM 1351, in Goliad County, Texas.

Permit No. 79-20-P-0040 is located on 2050 acres 16.8 miles west of Goliad on FM 1351. The use for this existing well would be for irrigation of 100 acres of pasture, to supply 4 ponds, and water for 500 head of goats. The well has a 7.5 HP pump capable of producing 100 GPM with a normal rate of production of 90 GPM. The requested amount of water is 250 ac/ft/yr.

Permit No. 79-20-P-0060 is located on 2050 acres 16.8 miles west of Goliad on FM 1351. The use for this existing well would be for use of irrigation for 323 acres of palm trees, irrigation for 50 acres of pasture, to supply 5 ponds, and for water for 500 head of goats. The well has a 10 HP pump that is capable of producing 254 GPM with a normal rate of 254 GPM. The requested amount of water is 238 a/ft/yr. Public Comment was closed -

- 7. Approval of the minutes of the meetings of the Board of Directors held on February 26, 2018.
- 8. Approval of Financial Report February 2018.
- 9. Approval of Employee Reimbursements
- 10. Approval of Invoices

Consent Agenda Items

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

- 11. Discussion and action with Shane McClellan regarding Railroad Commission work on Oilfield Road. Ms. Sumpter reported she spoke to Mr. McClellan and he was not sure if he could attend. Mr. McClellan did not attend the meeting.
- 12. Discussion and action on permit renewal for Matt Mahone and Gregory Chapman. Mr. Dohmann made a motion to approve the permit renewal for Gregory Chapman for a three-year period for 6

- ac/ft/yr. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 7-0. Ms. Sumpter reported she has not received Mr. Mahone's paper work for renewal.
- 13. Discussion and action on matters relating to NADA and matters relating to management of the Gulf Coast Aquifer System. Mr. Graham gave an update on activities of NADA.
- 14. Discussion and action on the annual audit. Ms. Sumpter reported the audit has not been completed.
- 15. Discussion and action on recharge study. Discussion was made in regards to the District participating in a study on recharge in the county. The study will be done by a team from Texas Tech University, lead by Dr. Ken Rainwater. The board agreed to pursue the request for additional information and proposal.
- 16. Discussion and action regarding water level monitoring. Water level monitoring will begin the end of April and will continue to be done in the spring and the fall each year.
- 17. Discussion and action on moratorium Ms. Sumpter reported the moratorium the District has in place for transporting water, will need to be reevaluated in April. She requested that the wording in the moratorium regarding no water to be transported out of the county be clarified and reworded to satisfy the intention of the moratorium and support water transported for business use by landowners in the county. Mr. Dohmann will work on the wording and the moratorium will be presented at the next board meeting.
- 18. Discussion and action on bacteria in the City of Kenedy Test Well and related matters. Mr. Dohmann made a motion to test two wells in the area of the test well in Goliad County for bacteria that would include a detailed report. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
- 19. Discussion and action regarding notice of application for injection well near Dobskyville. Ms. Sumpter reported that no response from the RRC has been made to the letter the District sent requesting the injection well application be administratively denied.
- 20. Discussion and action regarding fees associated with location water wells, restacking and replacement wells. Ms. Smith made a motion for the District to add a policy to charge landowners \$20.00 in the instance a water well has already been staked by the District and the request to relocate the stake has been made by the landowner. Ms. Cook seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
- 21. General Managers Report Ms. Sumpter reported the City of Goliad is still working on amending the CCN for the new well. Ms. Sumpter also reported the balance with the Daniel B. Stephens has been wrote off to satisfy the budget agreement, there is now a zero balance.
- 22. Field Tech report Mr. Mikeska reported there was eight new wells located for the month. Two for livestock purposes, five for domestic use, and one for domestic and livestock purpose.
- 23. Discussion and action on employee evaluations. The board went into executive session at 7:04 and reconvened at 7:25. Ms. Norrell made a motion for the evaluations be approved and pay raises be approved as discussed in executive session. Mr. Ball will discuss the General Managers evaluation with her and the General Manager will discuss Mr. Mikeska's evaluation with him. Mr. Korth seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
- 24. Items for future consideration. Pot ash at Coleto Creek.
- 25. Public Comments No public comments.
- 26. Adjourn Ms. Cook made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bellows seconded and the motion passed 7-0.