

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Monthly Meeting Minutes
12-21-2020

1. Call to Order – Prayer- — Mr. Korth called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M., December 21, 2020, at the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District Office. Ms. Smith led a prayer.
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 - Art Dohmann, Wesley Ball, Barbara Smith, Gary Bellows, Terrell Graham, Carl Hummel and Wilfred Korth were all present.
4. Introduction of Visitors and Welcome Guest - Mr. Korth welcomed Heather Sumpter, General Manager for the District, Leroy Mikeska, field tech for the District, Steven Saucedo and Reagan Sahadi.
5. Public Comment – No public Comment.
6. Public Hearing – Permit Hearing for Drilling and Operating Permit for Sahara Ranches
Permit No. 79-28-P-0104 for Sahara Ranches is located on 340 acres 14 miles west of Goliad on FM 59 S. The use for the proposed well would be for a sprinkler system on an approximate 5-acre tract. The proposed 5 HP pump would be capable of producing 50 gpm with a normal rate of production of 50 gpm. The requested amount of water is 2.15 ac/ft/yr. – Mr. Korth opened the public hearing for a drilling and operating permit. Mr. Sahadi gave a brief background of the property and what he will be using the water well for. No other public comment was made.
7. Close Public Hearing – Discussion and Action on Drilling and Operating Permit for Sahara Ranches. Mr. Korth closed the public hearing and opened up the floor to the Board for discussion. The proposed well was staked at a distance 240’ feet from the existing water well. If the new well will be screened at the same interval as the existing well, the proposed well will need to be moved further away than 240’. The 240’ was calculated with the new well gpm and did not take into consideration the existing well gpm in the calculation. The new calculation will be determined by Ms. Sumpter. Mr. Dohmann made a motion to approve the drilling and operating permit as amended for 2.15 ac/ft/yr for a three-year period. Mr. Bellows seconded and the motion passed 6-0 with 1 nay.
8. Public Hearing – Permit Hearing for Operating Permit for Wesley Ball
9. Permit No. 79-15-P-0103 for Wesley Ball is located on 210 acres 15.7 miles northeast of Goliad on FM 622. The use for this existing well would be for irrigating grass on an approximate 10-acre tract and for supplying water to troughs for cattle. The well has a ¾ HP pump capable of producing 17 gpm with a normal rate of production of 17 gpm. The requested amount of water is 20 ac/ft/yr. – Mr. Korth opened the public hearing for Wesley Ball for an operating permit. Mr. Ball gave an overview of his plans for irrigating an approximate 10-acre tract. No other public comment was made.
10. Close Public Hearing – Discussion and Action on Operating Permit for Wesley Ball. – Mr. Korth closed the public hearing and opened the floor to the Board for discussion. Discussion was heard by the Board of Directors. Mr. Hummel made a motion to approve the operating permit for Wesley Ball for 20 ac/ft/yr for a three-year period. Mr. Dohmann seconded and the motion passed 6-0 with Mr. Ball abstaining.

Consent Agenda Items

11. Approval of the Minutes of the Minutes from November 16, 2020
12. Approval of Financial Report for November 2020
13. Approval of Employee Reimbursements & Directors Reimbursements
14. Approval of Invoices

Mr. Dohmann made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed 7-0. Included in the consent agenda items were a reimbursement to Leroy Mikeska in the amount of \$432.40, a reimbursement to Heather Sumpter in the amount of \$200.00. Invoices included payment to Texas Tech in the amount of \$12,146.00, Paulsgrove & Taylor in the amount of \$550.00, Goliad County Appraisal District in the amount of \$652.00, Texas Municipal League in the amount of \$658.40.

Individual Agenda

15. Discussion and Action to Approve Document Titled “Action Approving Contract with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson” – Mr. Saucedo explained to the Board that there were certain steps that were left out of approving the new contract for delinquent tax collection when approved last month and also explained why particular steps were necessary. One of those steps is to approve document presented to the Board. Mr. Ball made a motion to approve the documents titled” Action Approving Contract with Linebarger, Goggans Blair & Sampson.” Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
16. Discussion and Action to Approve New Contract with Linebarger Goggan Blair & Sampson, LLP for Delinquent Tax Collection Services – Due to the proper steps not being completed as explained in the above agenda item, the contract for delinquent tax collection services had to be approved again with corrected dates. Ms. Smith made a motion to approve the contract for delinquent tax collection. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion passed 7-0
17. General Managers Report – Ms. Sumpter reported that she has sent out RFP’s to auditors following Ms. Fisseler’ s resignation as the Districts auditor. RFPs were sent to auditors that have experience with auditing GCD’s. Ms. Sumpter also reported she had not received a response from the RRC concerning comments that were sent by letter to the RRC regarding the work that was reported August 2020.
18. Field Tech Report – Mr. Mikeska reported there were five new wells located for the last month. Mr. Mikeska also presented the Board with a spread sheet of the monitor well water levels that compared the spring and fall levels.
19. Discussion and Action on Approval of Permit Renewal for Unit Petroleum – Mr. Bellows made a motion to approve the \permit renewal for Unit Petroleum for a three-year period. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
20. Discussion and Action to Untable Agenda Item #13 from the November 16, 2020, Monthly Meeting. - Discussion and Action on Approval of Permit Renewal for Craig Duderstadt – Mr. Dohmann made a motion to untable the agenda item #13 from the November 16, 2020 agenda. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
21. Discussion and Action on Approval of Permit Renewal for Craig Duderstadt. – Mr. Dohmann made a motion to approve the operating permit for Craig Duderstadt for a three-year period. Mr. Hummel seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
22. Discussion and Action to Untable Agenda Item #16 from November 16, 2020, Monthly Meeting - Mr. Hummel made a motion to untable agenda item #16 from November 16, 2020 meeting. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
 - a. Discussion and Action on Moratorium of Management of Groundwater Supplies - Mr. Dohmann made a motion to no longer maintain moratorium based on scientific data that

identifies the District water supply, and that the District considers adding information to the District rules.

23. Discussion and Action on Management of Groundwater Supply and Rules Revision – The Board discussed and considered adding scientific information to District rules. It was determined by the Board the information would not be added to the rules. No action was taken.
24. Discussion and Action on Maturity of Certificate of Deposit – Ms. Smith made a motion to approve the renewal of the maturity of the Certificate of Deposit at a rate of 1.10% for a 12-month term. Mr. Hummel seconded and the motion passed 6-0 with Mr. Ball abstaining.
25. Discussion and Action – Review and Updates on Meeting with Dr. Shi with TWDB – Ms. Sumpter gave a brief review of the meeting with Dr. Shi. Since the last meeting Dr. Shi sent a power point presentation titled “Update for Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District on GAM for Gulf Coast Aquifer System in GMA 15 & 16. The information provided in the presentation was discussed and reviewed by the Board. There were several wells that were used for the calibration that was provided to the District. Mr. Dohmann made a motion to further develop a data base for these wells. Mr. Graham seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
26. Discussion and Action to Release LRE GAM Recalibration Report – Mr. Graham made a motion to release the LRE report to GMA-15. Mr. Hummel seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
27. Discussion and Acton on Groundwater Conservation Measurers – No Discussion or action taken.
28. Discussion on Upcoming Meetings and Meetings Attended – GMA-15, January 14th at 9:30
29. Items for Future Consideration / Topics for Next Meeting – Posting Notice/ Water Sample Results
30. Public Comments - None
31. Adjourn – Mr. Graham made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Bellows seconded and the motion passed 7-0.