

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
8-19-24

1. Call to Order – Prayer - Mr. Korth called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. and Ms. Smith led the 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 – Wilfred Korth, Art Dohmann, Terrell Graham, and Barbara Smith were present. Reagan Sahadi and Tate Bammert were absent. Also present was Michelle Shelton, GM.
4. Introduction of Visitors and Welcome Guest – Mr. Korth announced and welcomed Bill Parmley, Ginger, Cook, Colt Williams, Katy Williams, Sarah Havlik and Tim Roslzey.
5. Public Comment – There was no Public Comment

Budget Workshop

6. Hold Budget Workshop – Hold Budget Workshop. Items for correction/revision on the proposed 2024-2025 budget:
 - 104 Equipment Pur. & Rep. add \$200.00 for a total of \$1,200.00
 - 1133 Manager’s Salary – add \$3,000.00 for a total of \$63,000.00
 - 1134 Employee Mileage Reimbursement – add \$1,000.00 for a total of \$3,000.00
 - 1100 Memberships – add \$550.00 for a total of \$550.00
 - 205a Contested Case Attorneys – add \$50,000.00 for a total of \$50,000.00
 - 207 UEC Mining Permit – add \$30,000.00 for a total of \$40,000.00
 - 300 Gen. Liab. & Bldg Con. Ins. – add \$50 for a total of \$650.00
 - 406 Water Testing – District – add \$3,000 for a total of \$6,000.00
 - 409 Professional Consultants – add \$10,000.00 for a total of \$10,000.00
 - **YEARLY OPERATING BUDGET TOTAL 241,700.00**

Hearings – Mr. Sahadi joined the meeting virtually at 5:00.

7. Open Public Hearing- Under Section 36.101, Subchapter D, section (d) 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, August 19, 2024, 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 proposed drilling and operating permits.

Permit No. 79-21-P-0120 for Goliad County Recreation Assoc. located at 1103 West Fannin, Goliad, Texas 77963 on a 96-acre tract owned by Goliad County Recreation Assoc. Water from the well will be used to provide water for the Clubhouse, 10 RV slots and pool maintenance. The ¾ HP pump is capable of producing 15 gpm with a requested amount of water being 2 ac/ft/yr.

8. Close Public Hearing – The Public Hearing was closed at 5:15 pm. Mr. Dohmann moved to approve permit 79-21-P-0120 for Goliad County Recreation Assoc. as requested at 2 ac/ft/yr with no revisions. Ms. Smith seconded. The motion carried unopposed.

Consent Agenda Items

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and may be enacted in one motion. A member of the Board of Directors may request one or more items be removed from the consent agenda for a separate discussion and action.

9. Approval of July Meeting Minutes from July 15, 2024

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10. Approval of Minutes from August 5, 2024 Public Meeting
11. Approval of July Financials
12. Approval of Invoices
13. Approval of Employee Reimbursements & Directors Reimbursements
Mr. Graham moved to pull agenda item 9 and table until the next meeting as the minutes are not complete.
Mr. Dohmann moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items as submitted minus Agenda Item 9. Ms. Smith seconded. The motion carried unopposed.

Individual Agenda Items

14. Report from the Mining Permit Committee (UR03075); discuss and take action as necessary – Mr. Korth provided the Board an update from the community meeting. Ms. Smith updated that the Farm Bureau will be sending a letter to TCEQ. Mr. Korth updated the Board on Resolution 14 from the TX County Judges Commissioners Association that he and the judge will be following up on. Mr. Graham moved that the Board write a letter to TCEQ asking for clarification on if the PAA has lapsed (still authorized). Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
15. Report from Litigation Committee; Discussion and take action as necessary – Mr. Graham provided the Board an update on the call with Adam Friedman regarding the TCEQ commissioners meeting.
16. Report from GMA 15 & 16 Committee; discuss and take action as necessary – Mrs. Shelton updated the Board on the letter invite to the GMA 15/16 combined meeting in Robstown on October 15th. No further action required.
17. Discussion and Action on Permit Renewals – Mr. Graham moved to approve the permit renewals with the caveat to include a note on the Albrecht Children renewal to not exceed permit allowable. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
18. Discussion and Action on allocating funds for Barbara Smith to attend PFIA training – Mr. Graham moved to approve \$120 for Ms. Smith to attend PFIA training virtually through UNT. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
19. Discussion and Action on open house seminar and partial subsidizing of water testing – The Board discussed a public outreach event to take place on a Saturday. The Board decided to create a committee to work on putting a Saturday public outreach event together. Committee members are Mr. Korth, Ms. Smith and Mrs. Shelton. No further action required.
20. Discussion and Action on GCGCD acknowledgement to Goliad County Commissioner’s Court regarding resolution – The Board discussed compiling an appreciation letter to the Commissioners Court for the Resolution regarding uranium mining. No further action is required.
21. Discussion and Action on Order Adopting 2024-2025 Budget and setting Tax Rate Hearing Date – Ms. Smith moved to adopt the budget. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried unopposed. Ms. Smith moved to hold the Tax Rate Hearing at the next regular Board Meeting on September 16th. Mr. Korth seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
22. Discussion and Action on Budget Adjustments – Mr. Dohmann moved to move money out of contingency to cover overage for line item 111 Internet Service. Mrs. Smith seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
23. Discussion and Action on Tax Audit RFP submittals – Ms. Smith moved to approve the RFP submittal from S. Noel Snedeker. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
24. Discussion and Action on review of revised Performance Review – After review by the Board, the Performance review was formally approved. No further action required.
25. Discussion and Action on upcoming Director elections (cost, candidates, etc.) – Period to run for Director has passed. There were three applicants with no contested place. Colt Williams was placed as Director Place 4 and sworn in. Mr. Graham moved that there was an uncontested election and that Colt Williams was to assume Director Place 4. Ms. Smith seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
26. General Manager’s Report and updates. Field Tech Report – Bhakta Monitor Well/City Well Report, New Well Report. Take Board action as necessary – Mrs. Shelton updated the Board and the activities of the District for the prior month. The District will conduct water quality testing in September for Otto Bluntzer, St. Peter’s Church, Warzecha, Adickes, Long and Wimberly. No further action was required.

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27. Discussion on Upcoming Meetings and Meetings Attended – Nothing to Report
28. Items for Future Consideration / Topics for Next Meeting – Nothing to Report
29. Public Comments – No Public Comments.
30. Adjourn – Ms. Smith moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Korth seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

Submitted by: Michelle Shelton

Approved by Board of Directors: September 16, 2024