# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' BOARD MEETING RED RIVER GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Thursday, May 16, 2024

## **MEETING LOCATION:** GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY **BOARD ROOM** 5100 AIRPORT DRIVE **DENISON TX 75020**

Members Present:

David Gattis, Harold Latham, Mark Patterson, Mark Gibson, and Billy Stephens.

Members Absent:

Mark Newhouse, and Chuck Dodd

Staff:

Paul Sigle, Nichole Murphy, Stacy Patrick, Wayne Parkman, Kenneth Elliott,

Allen Burks, and Velma Starks

Visitors:

Kristen Fancher, Fancher Legal

## Permit Hearing

#### Agenda:

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

Board President Mark Patterson called the Permit Hearing to order at 10:01 a.m., established quorum declared hearing open to the public and introduced the Board.

2. Review the Production Permit Application of:

### Permit Amendment

Applicant: Upper Trinity Regional Water District; 900 N Kealy St, Lewisville, TX 75057 Location of Well (#1) (existing): 14680 FM 1550, Ladonia, TX; Latitude: 33.480215°N Longitude: 95.905315°W; About 95 feet east of Co. Rd. 3610, and about 306 feet south of E FM 1550 in Fannin County.

Purpose of Use: Construction Water for Lake Ralph Hall Projects

Requested Amount of Use: 59,700,000 gallons through December 31, 2024.

**Production Capacity of Well: 350 gallons/minute** 

Aquifer: Trinity (Paluxy)

Amendment: Extend the permitted use period through December 2027.

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed a and b together. Extend the permitted use period through December 2027. Board Member Billy Stephens made the motion to extend the permitted use period. Board Member Mark Gibson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

b. **Applicant:** Upper Trinity Regional Water District; 900 N Kealy St, Lewisville, TX 75057 **Location of Well (#2) (existing):** Co. Rd. 3645, Ladonia, TX; Latitude: 33.4424472°N Longitude: 95.9036667°W; About 705 feet east of Co. Rd. 3645, and about 1,370 feet south of Co. Rd. 3640 in Fannin County.

Purpose of Use: Construction Water for Lake Ralph Hall Projects

Requested Amount of Use: 59,700,000 gallons through December 31, 2024.

Production Capacity of Well: 350 gallons/minute

**Aquifer:** Trinity (Paluxy)

Amendment: Extend the permitted use period through December 2027.

Permit a and b were voted on together.

#### New Production Permits

c. Applicant: Treeland Nursery Inc; 1208 Sharp Rd., Gunter, TX 75058 Location of Well (existing): 1208 Sharp Rd., Gunter, TX 75058; Latitude: 33.427806°N Longitude: 96.744431°W; about 3,250 feet north of Hunt Rd, and about 570 feet east of Sharp Rd., in Grayson County.

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

Requested Amount of Use: 26,674,229 gallons per year

Production Capacity of Well: 75 gallons/minute

Aquifer: Woodbine

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the permit with the Board. Discussion was held. Board Member David Gattis made the motion to approve the permit. Board Member Harold Latham seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

d. Applicant: Triple T Ranch Holding LLC; 761 Broadmoor Ln, Prosper, TX 75078 Location of Well: 1221 Short Rd, Sadler, TX 76264; Latitude: 33.737927°N Longitude: 96.797228°W; about 2,481 feet east of Short Rd, and about 2,650 feet north of Bennett Ln, in Grayson County.

Purpose of Use: Agriculture; Filling Pond(s)/Other Impoundment(s); Wildlife Management

Requested Amount of Use: 4,000,000 gallons per year Production Capacity of Well: 100 gallons/minute

Aquifer: Woodbine

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the permit with the Board. Discussion was held. Board Member David Gattis made the motion to table this permit. Board Member Billy Stephens seconded the motion to table this permit. Motion passed unanimously to table this permit.

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

No public comments.

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

Permits were voted on individually.

5. Adjourn or continue permit hearing

Board President Mark Patterson adjourned the permit hearing at 10:16 a.m.

#### **Board Meeting**

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Board President Mark Patterson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and offered the invocation for the group.

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

Board President Mark Patterson called the meeting to order at 10:17 a.m., established a quorum was present, and declared the meeting open to the public.

3. Public Comment.

No Public Comment.

4. Consider and act upon approval of Minutes of February 15, 2024, Board Meeting.

Board Member David Gattis made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 15, 2024, meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Mark Gibson. Motion passed unanimously.

- 5. Budget and Finance.
  - a. Review and approval of monthly invoices.

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the invoices with the Board. Board Member Billy Stephens made the motion to approve the monthly invoices. Board Member Mark Gibson seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Receive monthly financial information.

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the District's monthly financial information with the Board. Discussion was held.

e. Receive Quarterly Investment Report.

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

6. Receive Quarterly Report on Management Plan.

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the Quarterly Report on Management Plan with the Board.

7. Discussion and possible action regarding the selection of auditing services to start the next fiscal year.

General Manager Paul Sigle provided background information to the Board. Discussion was held. The Board suggested that a proposal for five years be requested from the current auditor and to stay with the current auditor.

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

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

9. Update and possible action regarding the process for the development of Desired Future Conditions (DFC).

General Manager Paul Sigle informed the Board that the GMA 8 meeting was held Wednesday, May 15, 2024. An update on the GAM was received. RFQ will be sent out for consultant.

10. Consider and act upon compliance and enforcement activities for violations of District Rules.

No issues.

- 11. General Manager's report: The General Manager will update the Board on operational, educational, and other activities of the District.
  - a. Well Registration Summary

General Manager Paul Sigle reviewed the well registration summary with the Board. Seven new wells were registered in March and nine new wells were registered in April.

Update on Injection/Disposal Well Monitoring Program

Kristen Fancher, legal counsel, informed the Board that two applications had been submitted; however; there was no need to protest.

Harold Latham presented water conservation educational presentation at schools in Fannin County. There is a need to increase funding for educational materials.

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

Discussion was held regarding how to regulate surplus of funds, do feasibility study and how to show the necessity of surface water usage.

Next Meeting June 20, 2024

13. Adjourn.

Board President Mark Patterson declared the meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Recording Secretary

Secretary-Treasurer