

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Public Hearing Minutes
1-10-2020

Drilling and Operating Permit Hearing for Alice Najvar

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 Friday, January 10, 2020 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 a drilling and operating permit for Alice Najvar located 8.5 miles North West of Goliad on FM 239 W in Goliad County, Texas.

The well is located on approximately 135 contiguous acres and would provide water for Texas Department of Transportation road construction project on Hwy 239 West, from Baker Road to Cabaeza Creek and for livestock use. The requested amount of water per year is 40 ac/ft./yr. Normal rate of production is 60 gpm with a 5 HP pump. A previously permitted well located on the same property that was permitted on October 21, 2019 for the same use and allocation will be plugged and a new well will be drilled to a deeper depth.

Mr. Korth called the public hearing to order on January 10, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. Directors present were Art Dohmann, Barbara Smith, Terrell Graham, Carl Hummel and Wilfred Korth were present. Wesley Ball and Gary Bellows were absent. Guest welcomed were Heather Sumpter, GCGCD General Manager; Frank Ferguson with TXDOT, Mr. Navjar, and Pat Graham.

Mr. Frank Ferguson explained to the board the reasoning for the request to plug a previously drilled permitted well and to drill another well at a deeper depth. The first well drilled was not producing enough water for the use intended. After discussion by the board, Mr. Dohmann made a motion to approve Alice Navjar to drill a new well with the provisions of no screening above 300' and a concrete seal on casing below 300' and the new well drilled (2nd well) - (28 42 27.12 -97 30 51.96) produces sufficient water, the first well drilled will no longer hold a permit status. The first well drilled (28.70759 -97.51448) would be available for use an exempt well. In the event the new well drilled (28 42 27.12 -97 30 51.96) does not produce sufficient water the two wells may be used as a two well system. Mr. Graham seconded and the motion passed 5-0. Mr. Dohmann made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Graham seconded and the motion passed 5-0.