

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes  
2-19-24

1. Call to Order – Prayer - Mr. Dohmann called the meeting to order at 5:00 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 – Art Dohmann, Terrell Graham and Barbara Smith were present. Reagan Sahadi, Wilfred and David Byrd (Mr. Byrd joined the meeting at 5:10) were present virtually. Also present was Michelle Shelton, GM.
4. Introduction of Visitors and Welcome Guest – Mr. Dohmann announced and welcomed Bill Parmley and Tate Bammert.
5. Public Comment – There was no Public Comment.

**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.*

6. Approval of January Meeting Minutes from January 15, 2024
  7. Approval of January Financials
  8. Approval of Invoices
  9. Approval of Employee Reimbursements & Directors Reimbursements
- Consent agenda items were submitted for approval with the removal of the financials. Ms. Smith moved to approve the consent items with the exception of the financials. Mr. Sahadi seconded. Motion carried

On the financial, Mr. Dohman made public comments regarding the payment of the TAGD membership which reimbursement of cost has been approved. He proposed that we move the money from education/seminars line; index the expense under education/seminars. Also, under contested case hearing move \$70,000. To facilitate this budget correction, move \$15k from line item 207, \$15k from line item 1131, \$25k from line item 408 and \$15k from line item 800. Mr. Dohmann made the motion. Mr. Graham seconded and the motion carried unopposed. Mr. Graham made a motion to approve the financials with the above changes. Ms. Smith seconded. The motion carried unopposed.

**Individual Agenda Items**

13. Report from the Director Committee regarding filling Place 3; discuss and take action as necessary – Mr. Graham made a motion that there was unanimous committee approval and recommendation that Tate Bammert be confirmed to fill Place 3 on the GCGCD Board of Directors. Ms. Smith seconded. The motion carried with four ayes and one nay. Mr. Dohmann is recorded as a “DID NOT VOTE” as he has business relations with the candidates and wanted the information to be of record. Mr. Bammert was sworn in to attend the remainder of the meeting.
10. Discussion and Action on any Permit Renewals – Mr. Graham moved to approve permit renewal 0001 Fortenberry Trust. Ms. Smith seconded. Motion carried unopposed. Ms. Smith moved to approve permit renewal 0002 Double Q Ranch. Mr. Korth seconded. Motion carried unopposed. Mr. Graham moved to approve permit renewal 0006 D Bar J Ranch. Ms. Smith seconded. Motion carried unopposed. Ms. Smith moved to approve permit renewal 0008 Sabrina Weiland/Fisher. Mr. Dohmann seconded. Motion carried unopposed. Ms. Smith moved to approve permit renewal 0103 Wesley Ball. Mr. Graham seconded. Motion carried unopposed.

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11. Report from the Litigation Committee (WDW 423 & 424); discuss and take action as necessary – Mr. Graham made a presentation to the Board regarding the status of the disposal well litigation and to flag possible cost overrun. Mr. Dohmann suggested a call with the GCGCD attorney to give an update and give the litigation committee Board approval to move forward within a \$5k limitation. Mr. Graham moved to proceed with a litigation committee call with our attorney to stay within the \$5k limitation for any cost overages. If costs were to exceed, litigation committee would bring to next Board Meeting or call a special meeting, whatever is appropriate. Mr. Sahadi seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
12. Report from the Mining Permit Committee (UR03075); discuss and take action as necessary – Mr. Graham moved to approve the Kohlkorst/Morrison letter with grammatical changes to be reviewed and approved by Mining Permit Committee to be finalized, approved and mailed out. Mr. Bammert seconded. The motion carried unopposed. Mr. Dohmann made public comment to the Board regarding engaging Dr. Abitz. Mr. Graham moved to hire Dr. Abitz not to exceed \$1,500 for purposes of providing a document of his professions review of our data to be used for requesting a public meeting from TCEQ. Ms. Smith seconded. Motion carried unopposed
14. Report from the Rules Committee; discuss and take action as necessary – Ms. Smith reported there were no comments from the latest additions. Ms. Smith moved to proceed to Public Hearing on our rules additions, revisions and corrections at the March Board Meeting. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
15. Report from GMA 15 & 16 Committee; discuss and take action as necessary – There was no report.
16. Report from Policy Manual Committee – Mr. Byrd gave a presentation to the Board. Mr. Dohmann moved to table. Lacking a second this motion dies. Mr. Graham moved to approve the language added and deletion on page 23 to be adopted to the policy manual. Ms. Smith seconded. Motion carried unopposed. Ms. Smith would like to consider Mr. Dohmann comments and revisit grievance section for future discussion. After further discussion, Dr. Byrd will revise and bring back to the committee for review.
17. Discussion and Action on UEC Proposal – Mr. Dohmann gave a presentation regarding the letter to the editor from UEC in the Goliad Paper. Mr. Graham moved to stand up a committee to respond to the UEC letter to the editor via a letter. The Committee will be Mr. Korth (Chairman), Mr. Dohmann and Mr. Graham. Ms. Seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
18. Discussion and Action on Budget Amendments – No Action, already covered.
19. Review of Draft Performance Review; pick 5 wells for water quality sampling; discuss and take action as necessary – Comment to revise Livestock Allocation to 80/20; add Fall 2022 total; specify Region L is surface and groundwater; Goal 5 should include Uranium. Mr. Graham moved to add U234 and U238 to our testing. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed. The Performance Review will be brought back to the Board for review at a future meeting.
20. 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 gave report on the Field Work and General Manager work for the prior month. No further action required.
21. Discussion on Upcoming Meetings and Meetings Attended – No comment.
22. Items for Future Consideration / Topics for Next Meeting – No comment
23. Public Comments – No Public Comments
24. Adjourn – Mr. Graham moved to adjourn. Mr. Sahadi seconded. The motion carried unopposed. The meeting was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

**Submitted by:** Michelle Shelton

**Approved by Board of Directors:** March 18, 2024