# MINUTES OF THE BOARD MEETING RED RIVER GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### THURSDAY, JULY 7, 2014

# AT THE GREATER TEXOMA UTILITY AUTHORITY BOARD ROOM 5100 AIRPORT DRIVE DENISON, TX 75020

Members Present:

Mark Patterson, Don Wortham, David Gattis, Mark Gibson, Mark Newhouse.

William Purcell

Members Absent:

Harold Latham

Staff:

Drew Satterwhite, Debi Atkins, Carolyn Bennett, Wayne Parkman and Carmen

Catterson

Visitors:

Kristen Fancher, Sledge Fancher, PLLC

James Beach, LBG Guyton Mike Keesler, LBG Guyton Alex Moser, AL Moser Drilling

Andy Reich, McClanahan and Holmes, LLP

#### 1. <u>Call to order, declare meeting open to the public, and take roll.</u>

President Patterson called the meeting to order at 2:00 PM. All members were present except Board Member Latham.

#### 2. Public Comment.

No comments received.

# 3. Consider approval of Minutes of May 15, 2014 public hearing and board meeting

Board Member Newhouse motioned to approve the Minutes of the May 15, 2014 public hearing and board meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Gibson and passed unanimously.

# 4. Review and approval of monthly invoices.

Mr. Satterwhite reviewed the monthly invoices.

Board Member Gattis motioned to approve the monthly invoices for a total of \$27,048.38. The motion was seconded by Board Member Gibson and passed unanimously.

#### 5. Receive Monthly Financial Information

Mr. Satterwhite reviewed the monthly financial information. The staff is currently working to encourage compliance from well drillers and expects to begin working with non-compliant well owners shortly. Board Member Purcell asked for a list of accounts delinquent past 180 days. Mrs. Atkins explained that there are no accounts past due more than 180 days. President Patterson asked if there would be any advantage to revising the fiscal year to an October 1 fiscal year. Mrs. Atkins responded that there are a few, but there would be no real positive impact.

#### 6. Consider and act upon 2013 audit

Mr. Andy Reich with McClanahan and Holmes, LLP provided a brief review of the audit. He reported that they provided a clean opinion. The expenses paid to GTUA make up the bulk of expenses. The total groundwater usage fees were \$273,137. Board Member Purcell questioned the prior year adjustments on page 16. Mr. Reich explained that some adjustments were made as far back as 2010. Board Member Purcell asked why the investments weren't maintained in a higher rate investment account. The Board and staff discussed investment options. Board Member Purcell requested the staff research investment options, as he felt that the funds could be earning a much higher rate of interest. Mr. Satterwhite and Mrs. Atkins agreed to research investment options and provide them to the Board. President Patterson requested the staff discuss their findings with the budget committee and for the committee to provide any recommendations for action to be taken.

Board Member Gattis motioned to approve and accept the 2013 audit as presented. The motion was seconded by Secretary/Treasurer Wortham and passed unanimously.

# 7. <u>Consider and discuss support for the Northern Trinity/Woodbine GAM Overhaul Project Predictive Simulations</u>

Mr. Satterwhite explained that the staff is seeking support for Runs 2 and 3 as discussed in the work session. He confirmed that these are only a start and additional model runs will be completed later. Mr. Moser expressed that to maintain a steady water level would require pumping to cease, which is not reasonable. He also stated that it would be a long time before the levels would be drawn all the way down to the aquifer, even with the expected growth.

Board Member Gattis motioned to support Runs 2 and 3 as presented by LBG Guyton. The motion was seconded by Board Member Newhouse and passed unanimously.

## 8. <u>General Manager's Report</u>

Mr. Satterwhite updated the Board on the current well registrations. He provided a presentation to a Naturalist's Group regarding conservation. The budget committee will be meeting the end of July.

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

The next meeting was scheduled for August 21, 2014 at 2:00 PM and will include policies and the budget for consideration.

# 10. Adjourn

The Board adjourned at approximately 2:29 PM.

Recording Secretary

Secretary-Treasurer