

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Monthly Meeting Minutes
February 25, 2019

1. Call to Order – Prayer – Mr. Korth called the meeting to order at 5:00 P.M., February 25, 2019, at the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District Office.
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, Wesley Ball, Barbara Smith, Gary Bellows, Terrell Graham, Carl Hummel and Wilfred Korth were present. All Directors were present.
4. Introduction of Visitors and Welcome Guest – Mr. Korth welcomed Heather Sumpter, the District’s General Manager, and the District’s counsel, Ashford Taylor. Leroy Mikeska, the Districts Field Tech was welcomed later in the meeting.
5. Public Comment – 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 the Minutes of the Meetings of the Board of Directors Held on January 25, 2019 and February 4, 2019.
7. Approval of Financial Report for January 2019
8. Approval of Employee Reimbursements & Directors Reimbursements

Agenda Items #6, #7, and #8 were approved in one motion. Mr. Bellows made a motion to approve the consent agenda items. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion passed 7-0.

Individual Agenda

9. Presentation and Discussion – Hydrology Report for Goliad County- Mr. Dohmann gave a presentation on Goliad County components of the management of groundwater in the county and the boards responsibility. No questions and comments were given.
10. Discussion with the City of Goliad Representatives Relating to the City of Goliad Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Amendment and Proposed New Well. – Take Action if Needed. – In attendance for the city, the board welcomed Mr. Earl Henning, Mr. John Mercer and Ms. Kandi Hubert. Mr. Earl Henning, Public Works Director with the City of Goliad, gave an overview of the City’s Certificate of Convenience and Necessity Amendment. Questions from the board and the public were answered by Mr. Henning and Mr. Mercer. No action was taken.
11. As Requested by the City of Goliad - Discussion with the City of Goliad Representatives on Texas Water Code Section 36.121 and Its Applicability to the Relationship Between the City and Goliad County Ground Water Conservation District. – Take Action if Needed. Mr. Mercer, engineer for the City of Goliad, read Water Code Section 36.121 and gave the city’s interpretation for the statute. The City’s interpretation of the statute exempts them from the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District’s Rules. Mr. Mercer stated the purpose of the agenda item is discuss the flexibility in rules GCGCD will have on the city when drilling the new proposed water well and encouraged the board to give an interpretation. The Board of Directors did not respond with an interpretation of the statute, but will be following up with the city secretary. The Board of Directors

did respond to the city, encouraging an open line of communication, transparency, and working closely with the city while moving forward with the process of new well project.

Mr. Graham made a motion for the board to go into executive session under section 551.071, consultation concerning attorney-client matters. Mr. Dohmann seconded and the motion was passed 7-0. The board of Directors went into executive session at 6:15 p.m. and reconvened at 7:04 p.m. Mr. Graham made a motion for the Districts counsel engage in discussion with the city's attorney discussing how the District can best work with the City of Goliad. At this time the District is not qualified to seek an interpretation of Texas Water Code Section 36.121. Mr. Dohmann seconded the motion passed 7-0.

12. Discussion and Action to Untable Agenda Item #13 from January 21, 2019 Agenda, Discussion and Action Regarding Recharge Study and Grant Funding – Ms. Smith made a motion to untable agenda item #13 from January 21, 2019 monthly meeting. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion passed 7-0. Mr. Korth gave an update on funding offer with SARA for the recharge study. The District will need to match SARA's funding at \$4,000.00 They are willing to fund in either this fiscal year or next fiscal year. After discussion Mr. Dohmann made a motion to accept SARA's offer for funding in the next fiscal year and will secure funding to match. Ms. Smith seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
13. Discussion and Action - Release of Recharge Study Report- Mr. Graham made a motion to release the Recharge Study Report. The report was reviewed by the board last month. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
14. Discussion and Action - Approval of 2018 Annual Performance Review – Mr. Dohmann made a motion to table the agenda item until next month's meeting in order to give the Directors time to review the Performance Review. Mr. Bellows seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
15. Discussion and Action - TWDB 2017 Draft Irrigation Water Use Estimates – Mr. Dohmann made a motion for Ms. Sumpter review irrigation numbers from 2017 TWDB draft irrigation numbers and compare it to the District's historic use spread sheet and adjust accordingly. Mr. Graham seconded and the motion passed 7-0.
16. General Managers Report – Ms. Sumpter reported the annual audit is still be prepared by Ms. Fisseler and should have a draft by next month.
17. Field Tech Report – Mr. Mikeska reported two new water wells were located. One for livestock and one for domestic. Mr. Mikeska also reported the drums were picked up at the Curton property from recent field work.
18. Discussion on Upcoming Meetings and Meetings Attended – Texas Land Trust Conference will be attending in Austin.
19. Items for Future Consideration / Topics for Next Meeting – Performance Review, RRC Follow up on Oil Field Road, Update on City of Goliad.
20. Public Comments- No public comments.
21. Adjourn – Mr. Dohmann made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Hummel seconded and the motion passed 7-0.