# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' PUBLIC MEETING NORTH TEXAS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

#### **TUESDAY, MAY 13, 2014**

# COLLIN COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE BUILDING 4<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR COMMISSIONERS COURT ROOM 2300 BLOOMDALE RD MCKINNEY, TX 75071

Members Present:

Thomas Smith, Ronny Young, Philip Sanders, Chris Boyd, Dan Collins, Eddy

Daniel, Evan Groeschel, Kenny Klement

Members Absent:

Ron Sellman

Staff:

Drew Satterwhite, Carolyn Bennett, Wayne Parkman and Carmen Catterson

Visitors:

Keith King, The Weekly News of Cooke County

Doug O'Connor, Trinity Turf

Peter Schulmeyer, Collier Consulting

Neal Welch, City of Sanger

#### 1. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Secretary/Treasurer Young led the Pledge of Allegiance and provided the invocation.

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

President Smith called the public meeting to order at 10:06 AM. All Board members were present except Board Member Sellman.

#### 3. Public Comment

No public comment received.

## 4. Approval of Minutes from the March 11, 2014, public hearing and board meeting

Secretary/Treasurer Young motioned to approve the Minutes from the April 8, 2014 board meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member Boyd and passed unanimously with Board Member Sellman.

At this time, President Smith moved out of posted agenda order to Item 9.

### 9. Consider and act upon authorizing repayment to Collin, Cooke and Denton Counties

Mr. Satterwhite explained that the invoices include repayment to the counties in the amount of \$110,000 to each of the three. The District has a fund balance in excess of the District's annual budget, even after the \$330,000 is paid. Secretary/Treasurer Young recommended that a representative from each

county deliver the check to a Commissioners Court meeting in person. The Board agreed discussed this and agreed to revisit it at a later time.

Board Member Daniel motioned to repay \$110,000 to Collin, Cooke and Denton Counties. The motion was seconded by Board Member Sanders and passed unanimously with Board Member Sellman absent.

At this time, President Smith moved back to posted agenda order beginning with Item 5.

#### 5. Consider and act upon approval of invoices and reimbursements.

Mr. Satterwhite reviewed the invoices with the Board. Sledge Fancher, PLLC provided an invoice for approximately \$6,000. This includes Mrs. Fancher's attendance at the previous meeting, and their work with Inform Environmental and LBG Guyton. The invoice for McCrometer is for the portable flow meter the Board approved at the previous meeting.

Secretary/Treasurer Young motioned to approve the invoices as presented for a total cost of \$338,490.72. The motion was seconded by Board Member Boyd and passed unanimously with Board Member Sellman absent.

#### 6. a. <u>Budget and Finance Committee</u>

#### 1) Receive Monthly Financial Information

Mr. Satterwhite reviewed the monthly financial information with the Board. An aging report is available, but due to the recent billing nearly every well owner is on the list. The District is approximately 23% through the budget.

#### b. Investment Committee

No report received

#### c. Rules and Bylaws Committee

#### 1) Consider and act upon amending Temporary Rules

Secretary/Treasurer Young motioned to table the rules approval pending inclusion of comments made at the public hearing. The motion was seconded by Board Member Boyd and passed unanimously with Board Member Sellman absent.

#### d. Groundwater Monitoring and Database Committee

No report received

#### e. Policy and Personnel Committee

No report received

#### f. Conservation and Public Awareness Committee

No report received

#### g. Management Plan Committee

No report received.

7. <u>Update and possible action on the Northern Trinity/Woodbine Aquifer GAM Overhaul Project and the development of proposed Desired Future Conditions (DFCs)</u>

The final report is being developed with a Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) meeting scheduled for the first week of June. The report will be submitted to the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) in a few months and should be approved and accepted as the model. The project is still on budget. The timeline is a little behind, but should receive approval by all parties by the end of the year.

Board Member Collins asked if driller reports were utilized even if they were not appropriated from the drillers personally. Board Member Daniel confirmed that all driller reports submitted to the State were gathered and entered into the system.

Board Member Boyd asked how Collier Consulting has participated in the TAC. Board Member Daniel explained that they provided comment on the draft plan, attended the TAC meetings and provided a presentation to the Board previously. They continue to be active and involved in the process.

The Board discussed the current status of the project. Board Member Daniel explained that the model is currently being calibrated and error checked. The TWDB will receive a final project and will be able to enter new drilling information to allow the model to continue growing. This will be a tool that private well owners will have access to utilize for planning purposes. Everything is public record in the model.

8. <u>Update and possible action regarding the process for the development of Desired Future Conditions (DFCs) including the consideration and possible approval of consulting services</u>

The model is being utilized to run the same model run in the previous model to compare the results. The available groundwater will change in every county and every district. The model will also help the districts to determine the ability to meet goals. The model will also show the impact on each district modifying their DFCs. All 11 districts in Groundwater Management Area 8 (GMA 8) must agree on the final DFCs. The final vote must be approved with 2/3rds of GMA 8 in agreement. This will follow two runs being completed with recommendations from all 11 districts. The Board discussed the process of considering and adopting DFCs.

Board Member Klement commented that some areas have groundwater and some will not have groundwater available in the future and explained that someday water will need to be pumped across country to areas that do not have any. This will need to be accounted for in the DFCs.

#### 10. General Manager's Report

Mr. Satterwhite commented that he saw a presentation that stated with regard to reservoir storage, Texas is back to the same level as the drought of the 1950s.

Vice President Sanders left at 10:44 AM.

Mr. Satterwhite provided a summary of wells registered in the District. The District will be audited by the State Auditor's Office. The audit will be conducted from Austin via email and phone. The financial auditors are at the office this week completing the 2013 annual audit.

LBG Guyton is recommending scheduling a workshop to discuss the District's preferences for DFC runs. This will most likely take place the second week of July. The Board requested the staff to begins scheduling the meeting.

The Authority was approached by Bill Mullican to possibly operate the Northern Trinity GCD, similar to the services provided to the North Texas GCD and the Red River GCD. Mr. Satterwhite met with Craig Schkade about this, but nothing has been finalized.

# 11. Open Forum / discussion of new business for future meeting agendas

The next meeting was scheduled for June  $10^{th}$  in the Collin County Administrative Building. The agenda will include approval of the Temporary Rules.

#### 12. Adjourn public meeting

The public meeting adjourned at 10:49 AM.

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