

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
9-16-2024

1. Call to Order – Prayer - Mr. Korth 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 – Wilfred Korth, Art Dohmann, Terrell Graham, Colt Williams and Barbara Smith were present. Reagan Sahadi and Tate Bammert were absent. Also present was Michelle Shelton, GM.
4. Introduction of Visitors and Welcome Guest – Mr. Korth announced and welcomed Bill Parmley and Ginger Cook.
5. Public Comment – Ms. Smith made a public comment to the Board regarding the Farm Bureau stance regarding the uranium mining issue in the county. She presented a page out of the Farm Bureau policy. They are in the process of preparing resolutions to be presented to the State Convention in December. Mr. Korth notified the Board he had found a 2023 Commissions Court Resolution stating that counties had the authority to approve any uranium mining in their counties before it started.

Hearings

6. Open Public Hearing – To consider adopting a proposed tax rate for the tax year 2024-2025. The proposed tax rate is .011750 per \$100 of value. The proposed tax rate would increase total taxes by 8.59%. This rate is for an operating budget of \$241,700.00.
7. Close Public Hearing – Take Action on Proposed tax rate for 2024-2025. Closed the Public Hearing at 5:10 P.M. There was no public comment.
8. Approve order adopting tax rate for 2024-2025 – Mr. Graham moved to approve and adopt the proposed tax rate as presented. Mr. Dohman seconded. The motion carried unopposed.

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.

9. Approval of Minutes from August 19, 2024 Regular Meeting
10. Approval of Minutes from July 15, 2024 Regular Meeting
11. Approval of August Financials
12. Approval of Invoices
13. Approval of Employee Reimbursements & Directors Reimbursements
Mr. Dohmann moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items as submitted. Ms. Smith seconded. The motion carried unopposed.

Individual Agenda Items

14. Report from Litigation Committee; Discussion and take action as necessary – Mr. Graham discussed with the Board the Motion for Rehearing and the process involved in filing. No further action required. Mr. Graham gave the opportunity for anyone wanting to get off the committee to notify him. No one responded. We need to decide how we are to move forward. Mr. Graham made the motion that the all invoices come to the General Manager and go through the normal payment process going forward. The Committee no longer has independent authority to spend the \$50K budget. The Committee should remain Mr. Graham, Mr. Dohmann and Mr. Sahadi. Mr. Dohmann seconded the motion. The motion carried unopposed.
15. Report from Mining Permit Committee with discussion and action on needed items – Mrs. Shelton updated the Board that TCEQ acknowledged receipt of resolution sent by the District. Mr. Graham went over issues

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- with NOD's and possible comments from the District. Mr. Dohmann gave a presentation to the Board his suggestions for responses to TCEQ and suggested moving forward the Board should consider a program regarding the legitimate performance of TCEQ. Mr. Graham moved to combine the Litigation and Mining Permit Committees under the same umbrella with Mr. Graham (chair), Mr. Dohmann and Mr. Sahadi with Mrs. Shelton as advisor. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
16. Report from Community Education Seminar Committee, discuss and take action as necessary – Mr. Korth gave the Board an overview of the day long Seminar. General Manager to check on EDYS program. No further action was required.
 17. Report from GMA 15 & 16 Committee; discuss and take action as necessary – Mrs. Shelton gave the Board an update. No further action was required.
 18. Discussion and Action on Permit Renewals – Mr. Graham moved to approve the permit renewals for Brent Dornburg (79-14-P-0030) and D Bar J Ranch (79-29-P-0089) as presented by the General Manager. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
 19. Discussion and Action on Budget Adjustments – Mr. Dohmann moved to move money from contingency to cover small budget overages of \$120.00 on line item 1000 Education and Comm. Act. And \$37.00 on line item 300 Gen Liab and Building Content as presented by General Manager. Ms. Smith seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
 20. Discussion and Action on increasing District locate and water testing fees – Mr. Dohmann moved to increase the New Well Registration locate from from \$20.00 to \$25.00. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
 21. 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 provided the Board and update on the District activities over the past month. No further action was required.
 22. Discussion on Upcoming Meetings and Meetings Attended – no further action required.
 23. Items for Future Consideration / Topics for Next Meeting – no further action required.
 24. Public Comments – No additional public comments.
 25. Adjourn – Mr. Williams moved to adjourn the meeting. Ms. Smith seconded. The meeting adjourned at 6:52 P.M.

Submitted by: Michelle Shelton

Approved by Board of Directors: October 21, 2024