# MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS' BOARD MEETING RED RIVER GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Thursday, June 17, 2021

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Notice is hereby given that, in accordance with Governor Abbott's March 16, 2020, action to temporarily suspend certain provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, a quorum of the Board of Directors of the Red River Groundwater Conservation District ("District") will hold a Board meeting via telephone and video conference call beginning at 10:00 a.m. on Thursday, June 17, 2021.

Members Present:

Chuck Dodd, David Gattis, Mark Gibson, Harold Latham, Billy Stephens, Mark

Newhouse, and Mark Patterson

Members Absent:

Staff:

Drew Satterwhite, Allen Burkes, Paul Sigle, Nichole Sims, Wayne Parkman,

Theda Anderson, and Velma Starks

Visitors:

Kristen Fancher, Fancher Legal

# **Permit Hearing**

The Permit Hearing will begin at 10:00 a.m.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Red River Groundwater Conservation District ("District") will conduct a permit hearing on the following Production Permit Application:

### Agenda:

1. Call to Order; establish quorum; declare hearing open to the public; introduction of Board.

Board President Mark Patterson called the hearing to order at 10:04 a.m., established that a quorum was present; declared hearing open to the public; and introduction of Board.

2. Review the Production Permit Application of:

Applicant: Bossier Land Holdings LLC; 6508 Colleyville, TX 76034

**Location of Well:** 873 Wall Street, Gunter, TX 75058; Latitude: 33.4719007°N Longitude: 96.7845803°W; about 1.1 mile north of the interception of FM 121 and Wall Street and about 1,500 feet west of Wall Street.

Purpose of Use: Concrete Batch Plant

**Requested Amount of Use:** 7,000,000 gallons per year. **Production Capacity of Well:** 50 gallons per minute

Aquifer: Woodbine Aquifer

General Manager Drew Satterwhite reviewed the permit with the Board. Discussion was held.

3. Public Comment on the Production Permit Application (verbal comments limited to three (3) minutes each).

No public comment.

4. Consider and act upon the Production Permit Application, including designation of parties and/or granting or denying the Production Permit Application in whole or in part, as applicable.

Board Member David Gattis made the motion to approve the permit. Board Member Billy Stephens seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

5. Adjourn or continue permit hearing.

Board President Mark Patterson adjourned the Permit Hearing at 10:15 a.m.

#### **Board Meeting**

1. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation.

Board President Mark Patterson led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance and Board Member Chuck Dodd offered the invocation for the group.

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

Board President Mark Patterson called the meeting to order at 10:16 a.m., established a quorum was present, and declared the meeting open to the public.

3. Public Comment.

There were no public comments.

4. Consider and act upon approval of Minutes of April 15, 2021, Board Meeting.

Board Member Chuck Dodd made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 15, 2021 meeting. The motion was seconded by Board Member David Gattis. The motion passed unanimously.

- 5. Budget and Finance.
  - a. Review and approval of monthly invoices.

General Manager Drew Satterwhite reviewed the invoices with the Board. Board Member David Gattis made the motion to approve the May and June invoices. Board Member Mark Newhouse seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

b. Receive monthly financial information.

General Manager Drew Satterwhite reviewed the District's monthly financial information with the Board.

c. Consider and act upon the District's Fund Balance Policy.

General Manager Drew Satterwhite provided background information for the Board. The Board took a survey and the results were compiled into a ranking document. The Board then appointed a Committee that has met twice. Discussion of this policy was put on hold following the emergence of COVID-19 in order to wait until we were able to meet in-person. At the April meeting the Board decided to wait until a full board was present to consider adoption. Budget related items have to be approved by six or seven votes. A copy of the NTGCD's policy was handed out to the Board as an example. The Committee came up with the ranking and allocation summary. Board Member David Gattis made the motion that the document be put into a Word document with the changes per the parameters discussed of 33 percent. Board Member Billy Stephens seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Appointment of a Budget Committee.

General Manager Drew Satterwhite reminded the Board they would be meeting for budget approval in July or August. Board Members Chuck Dodd, David Gattis and Mark Newhouse were chosen as budget committee members. Mark Patterson will serve as an alternate.

7. Discussion and possible action on Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts Sponsorship Opportunities.

General Manager Drew Satterwhite provided background information for the Board. The TAGD is an important voice/advocate for groundwater conservation districts across the state as they are active in the legislative process as well as providing a resource to keep the staff, attorneys and consultants up to date on the happenings in the Texas groundwater world. TAGD contacted the District requesting that we participate as a sponsor. Discussion was held. Board Member Billy Stephens

made the motion to give \$2,000.00. Board Member David Gattis seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. It was suggested to add the sponsorship funds to next year's budget.

8. Update and possible action regarding the process for the development of Desired Future Conditions (DFC).

General Manager Drew Satterwhite informed the Board that GMA 8 has received 10 summaries. Central Texas received comments, we hope to receive their summary by the end of June. GMA 8 meeting on July 20,2021 will be an in-person meeting. DFC will have to be adopted at GMA 8 meeting then individual Districts will have to adopt. GMA 8 reassigned sliver boundaries affecting GMA 6, GMA 7, GMA 8, and GMA 9. Discussion was held.

9. Consider and act upon compliance and enforcement activities for violations of District Rules.

No enforcement actions at this time.

- 10. General Manager's report: The General Manager will update the Board on operational, educational and other activities of the District.
  - a. Well Registration Summary

General Manager Drew Satterwhite reviewed the well registration summary with the Board.

b. Update on Injection/Disposal Well Monitoring Program

No update at this time.

c. Legislative Update

Kristen Fancher, legal counsel, informed that Board that no bills passed that affect the District. Bills will probably come back next session.

General Manager Drew Satterwhite informed the Board that four letters were mailed for the City of Sherman representative, Fannin County small cities representative, Fannin County rural water suppliers representative, and Grayson County rural water suppliers representative. Paul is working on water loss to help understand anomalies.

General Manager Drew Satterwhite and Board Member Harold Latham attended the Lake Ralph Hall groundbreaking in Fannin County. Water is expected to be delivered in 2025.

Lake Bois D' Arc in Fannin County is expected to deliver water in 2022.

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

Board suggested we keep offering virtual meeting opportunity until further notice Next meeting will be changed to Thursday, July 22, 2021.

10. Adjourn.

Board President Mark Patterson declared the meeting adjourned at 11:31 a.m.

Velma Starks
Recording Secretary

Secretary-Treasurer