

MEETING OF THE REGULAR MEETING AND PUBLIC HEARING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD FOR
THE KINNEY COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Thursday, October 13, 2022

MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to order.

Meeting was called to order by President John Paul Schuster at 9:12 a.m.

2. Establish a quorum.

A quorum was established with 5 directors present: Schuster, Richard Barthels, Beth Ann Smith, Blake Ward, and B.J. Eckenrod. Director Matt Bland entered the meeting at 9:13 a.m. Absent was Director Stan Conoly. Staff present were Genell Hobbs, general manager, and Bonnie Brotherton, administrative assistant. Dr. Bill Hutchison was also in attendance, plus several observers.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

The pledge was led by John Paul Schuster.

4. Director/Public Comments.

Travis Huey addressed the board and stated his concerns with regard to the open records he had requested. Wes Robinson was glad to see the process for getting a commercial permit becoming more streamlined. Schuster told the board he was thankful to be on the board, getting to know everyone, and he has learned a lot.

5. Approve minutes from the September 15, 2022 regular meeting, and Special meeting on September 22, 2022.

The regular board minutes were approved as read.

Motion: Beth Ann Smith 2nd. Matt Bland Abstain: John Paul Schuster Vote: 5-0

The Special meeting minutes were approved as read.

Motion: Matt Bland 2nd. B.J. Eckenrod Vote: 6-0

RECESS FOR PUBLIC HEARING: Permit Amendment (Randy Schott) 9:22 a.m.

- A. Open Public Hearing for Testimony. None
- B. Comments from the Public. Wes Robinson stated to put in perspective the amount of water he is asking for is less than domestic well. Ward wanted public to know this will not affect the Springs.
- C. Close the Public Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

RECESS FOR PUBLIC HEARING: AMENDMENT TO RULES/PROCEDURE/CONDUCT AT Board Meetings.

- A. Open Public Hearing for Testimony. None
- B. Comments from the Public. Travis Huey wants to have a listening line added to the procedure. Wes Robinson voiced opposition to the listening procedure. Huey also stated he was concerned about the time limit to speak if you had someone that used all the time and someone didn't get their time to speak. Robinson assured him that would not be a problem as he had experience with unfriendly boards.
- C. Closed the Public Hearing at 9:38 a.m.

RECONVENE TO REGULAR SESSION.

- 6. Discussion/Possible Action: Amend permit/Convert 10-acre feet from Ag. to Commercial use. Motion to approve.
Motion: Beth Ann Smith 2nd. John Paul Schuster Vote: 6-0
- 7. Discussion/Possible Action: Amendment to the Rules-Procedure/Conduct at board meetings. Motion to accept.
Motion: Beth Ann Smith 2nd. B.J. Eckenrod Vote: 6-0
- 8. Discussion/Possible Action: Financial statements for September 2022.
Financials approved as presented.
Motion: Matt Bland 2nd. Richard Barthels Vote: 6-0
- 9. Review of monthly Investment Officer's Report.
- 10. Consider/Possible Action: Invoices Received and Invoices Paid.
Invoices received and paid were approved for payment.
Motion: Matt Bland 2nd. John Paul Schuster Vote: 6-0
- 11. Review Palmer Index, TWDB monitor well, USGS streamflow, monitor wells and MUD well data.
- 12. Report from Dr. Hutchison.
Dr. Hutchison presented a power point of monitoring well data and updated Landsat analysis of irrigation acreage from 1995-2021 (odd years) and summer 2022. He stated this completed documentation would be included in new Management Plan.
- 13. Discussion/Possible Action: Appointment of Accounting Firm.
Defer till next month.
- 14. Discussion/Possible Action: Purchase tires for new pickup.
Motion approved to buy tires from Thompson Tire for \$1,587.00.
Motion: B.J. Eckenrod 2nd. Beth Ann Smith Vote 6-0

15. Review General Manager's daily activities.
General Manager, Genell Hobbs, reported there had been 1 permit well application, Bonnie and I went and observed the Brenan well being drilled and started well inspections. Also the GMA7 meeting would be in Sonora on October 20th.
16. Board will recess and go into closed meeting under authority of the Government Code, Chapter 551. Texas Open Meetings Act: Personnel Matters (§551.074) at 11:13 a.m.
 - A. General Manger's Performance Evaluation.
17. Meeting called back into regular session at 12:58 a.m.
18. Consider/Possible Action: Matters deliberated during closed meeting.
No action taken.
19. Adjourn.
Motion to adjourn at 12:59 a.m.
Motion: B.J. Eckenrod 2nd. Beth Ann Smith

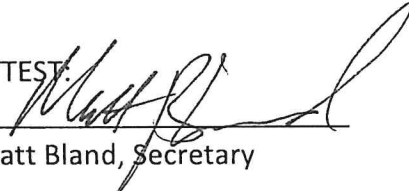
APPROVE:



John Paul Schuster, President

Date: 11/17/22

ATTEST:



Matt Bland, Secretary

Date: 11/17/22