

THE STATE OF TEXAS \* GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
COUNTY OF KENEDY \* OF KENEDY COUNTY, TEXAS

On the 19th day of February, 2014, at 10:30 o'clock a.m., a regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District was held at the Butler Camp Lodge, Southern Kenedy County, Texas.

**Directors present:**

Chuck Burns, President  
Homero Vera, Vice-President  
Dave Delaney, Secretary  
Craig Weiland, Board Member  
Danny Butler, Board Member

**Also present:**

Leo Villarreal, Administrative Assistant  
Andy Garza, General Manager

**Absent:**

None

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

Chuck Burns, President, called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m.

**2. Receive Public Comments**

No public comments were received.

**3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of January 22, 2014, Regular Meeting**

Chuck Burns presented to the Board the minutes of the January 22, 2014, regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District. Leo Villarreal offered an amendment for item #7.

Danny Butler moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was passed unanimously that the January 22, 2014, regular meeting minutes be approved as amended by Leo Villarreal.

**4. Receive General Manager's Activity Report and Act, If Necessary, Regarding:**

- a. **Communications**
- b. **Water level measurements for Winter, 2014**
- c. **GMA-16 meeting scheduled for March 25, 2014**
- d. **Interim charges for Texas House Committee on Natural Resources**
- e. **TWDB work session on SWIFT scheduled for March 24, 2014 in Harlingen, TX**
- f. **Region N meeting held on Feb. 13, 2014**
- g. **Duval County GCD meeting**
- h. **News articles**
- i. **Other**

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following: a) communications with Bo Page(water well driller), Shelby Pennington(ExxonMobil), Wesley Shumacher (TWDB) and Alejandro Urias (Santa Fe Feeders); b) informed the board that 3 wells needed to be measured to complete the winter measuring cycle; c) the next GMA-16 meeting will be held on March 25, 2014; d) reviewed the interim charges for the House Committee on Natural Resources as released by the Speaker of the House; e) reviewed the TWDB work session on the SWIFT program that will be held on March 24, 2014 in Harlingen, TX; board may offer comments at this meeting; f) Garza and Chuck Burns reviewed various items that had been discussed at the Region N meeting held on February 13, 2014; much discussion was held on the proposal brought forward to the group by the City of Alice; g) Garza reported that he had attended the Duval County GCD meeting on January 22, 2014 in Benavides, TX; and h) various news articles were reviewed with the board.

This being a report only, no vote was needed and none was taken.

**5. Receive Report on Water Use for 2013**

Andy Garza, General Manager, presented the Board of Directors with the Report on Water Use for 2013. An additional 80 acre-feet of water were used in 2013, however, only 21.4% of the total permitted amount was used. The use of water for temporary rig supply increased in 2013 by 7 acre-feet.

This being a report only, no vote was needed and none was taken.

**6. Receive Report on TAGD Legislative Committee Activities**

Andy Garza, General Manager, presented the Board of Directors with a report on TAGD Legislative Committee activities. Copies of notes from TWCA committee meetings were distributed to the board. Garza indicated that the TWCA and TAGD positions on issues such as brackish water usually parallel each other. The TWCA has a strong voice in the legislative process.

This being a report only, no vote was needed and none was taken.

**7. Discuss and Act to Approve Travel for General Manager to Attend TAGD Quarterly Meeting in Austin, TX on Feb. 24-26, 2014**

Andy Garza informed the Board of Directors that he needed to attend the TAGD Quarterly meeting in Austin on February 24-26, 2014.

Danny Butler moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that Andy Garza be authorized to attend the TAGD Quarterly meeting in Austin on February 24-26, 2014, and that all expenses be reimbursed to Andy Garza upon presentation of proper receipts.

**8. Receive Report on 2013 Tax Revenue Collected**

Leo Villarreal presented the Board of Directors with the 2013 Tax Revenue Collection Report. The current amount that has not been collected is \$43,619.87 versus the amount collected of \$165,851.96.

This being a report only, no vote was needed and none was taken.

**9. Discuss & Act on Date of Next Board Meeting**

Chuck Burns informed the Board of Directors that a date needed to be selected for the next meeting.

Homero Vera moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the District's next meeting be held on March 26, 2014, at 10:30 a.m. in Sarita, TX.

**10. Discuss and Act on Payment of Bills**

Chuck Burns presented the bills to the Board of Directors for consideration and payment.

Dave Delaney moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the bills be paid as presented.

**11. Recess to Participate in Tour of Irrigation District's Pump House, Los Indios, TX**

Chuck Burns, President, informed the Board of Directors, that the Board needed to recess in order to tour the Irrigation District's Pump House at Los Indios, Texas.

Danny Butler moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the meeting be recessed at 12:30 p.m. to tour the Irrigation District's Pump House at Los Indios, Texas.

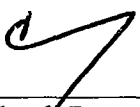
Wayne Halbert, Manager of the Harlingen Irrigation District #1, led the tour of the Pump House and the flow meter calibration unit. Mr. Halbert provided his perspective on the current water issues facing the Rio Grande Valley.

**12. Adjournment**

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Craig Weiland moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the meeting be adjourned after completion of the Pump House tour at 3:30 p.m.

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David Delaney, Secretary

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Chuck Burns, President