THE STATE OF TEXAS

* GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

COUNTY OF KENEDY

* OF KENEDY COUNTY, TEXAS

On the 23rd day of July, 2014, at 10:00 o'clock a.m., a regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District was held at the Kenedy County Courthouse in Sarita, Texas.

Directors present:

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

Also present:

Andy Garza, General Manager Leo Villarreal, Administrative Assistant Felix Saenz, Brush Country GCD

Absent:

Danny Butler, Member

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chuck Burns, President, called the meeting to order at 10:0 a.m.

2. Receive Public Comments

No public comments were made.

3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of June 18, 2014, Regular Meeting

Chuck Burns presented the Board with the June 18, 2014, regular meeting minutes of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District.

Homero Vera moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the June 18, 2014, regular meeting minutes be approved as presented.

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

- a. Communications
- b. Well registrations
- c. Well drilling experience with Don Davis
- d. GMA-16 meeting held on June 24, 2014

e. Status of Sarita Post Office as of August 23, 2014

f. News articles

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following:

- a) <u>Communications</u>: Garza reported that he had made contacts with Allan Jamison, Kenedy Charitable Trust, Barbara Smith, Goliad GCD, and Luke Womack, John Womack & Co.
- b) Well registrations: Garza reported that he had received well registrations from the Armstrong Ranch, Kenedy Charitable Trust and El Coyote/La Paloma Ranch. The Kenedy Trust will be drilling a replacement well for one of the permits. It was noted that Martin Clement and Fausto Yturria have not registered their wells. Dave Delaney moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that a letter be sent to Mr. Clement and Mr. Yturria asking them to register their wells.
- c) Well drilling experience with Don Davis: Garza described the procedures involved when installing and cementing PVC casing into a borehole. Garza had a sample of the aquifer sand taken at 720 feet from the Barbara Turcotte well. He expressed his gratitude to Don Davis who had drilled the well.
- d) GMA-16 Meeting Held on June 24, 2014: Garza informed the board that the San Patricio GCD had requested that another GAM run be completed to include an additional pumping of at least 22,000 acre-feet per year that is being proposed by a company called Water Assets Management. The GAM run will only be done if the GCD comes up with the \$7000 that will be needed to complete the run and revise the explanatory report. A deadline of August 15, 2014 was given to the San Patricio GCD. Dave Delaney stated that it would be very interesting to see the effects that the additional pumping would have on the DFC and that our district would not lower its pumping to accommodate theirs. There was consensus on his statement.
- e) Status of Sarita Post Office as of August 23, 2014: Effective August 23, 2014, the Sarita Post Office will operate from 8 AM to noon on week days and from 8:30 AM to 12 noon on weekends. The lobby will self-lock at 4:30 PM during the week.
- f) News articles: Garza reviewed various news articles with the directors.

5. <u>Discuss and Act, If Necessary, to Contract Mary Sahs to Make Presentation at TAGD Meeting in Kingsville, TX in October, 2014</u>

Andy Garza informed the Board of Directors that the Kenedy County, Brush Country and the Duval County GCDs will be asked to make presentations on their districts at the TAGD meeting that will be held in Kingsville, TX on October 29-30, 2014. Garza recommended that a contract be negotiated with Mary Sahs to make the presentation on behalf of our district. Garza stated that Mary Sahs possessed substantial knowledge about the district since she had worked with the district since its inception. Dave Delaney stated the presentation should stress the "rural" part of the district.

Craig Weiland moved and Dave Delaney seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that Mary Sahs be contracted at the rate not to exceed \$2500 to make our district's presentation at the TAGD meeting in Kingsville, Texas, on October 29-30, 2014.

6. <u>Discuss and Act to Approve Travel for General Manager to Attend TAGD</u> Groundwater Summit on August 26-28, 2014

Andy Garza informed the Board of Directors that he would be attending the TAGD Groundwater Summit in San Marcos, TX on August 26-28, 2014. Garza stated that the Board's approval at this time would allow him to take advantage of the "early bird" fee.

Homero Vera moved and Dave Delaney seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that Andy Garza be authorized to attend the TAGD Groundwater Summit in San Marcos on August 26-28, 2014, and that all expenses be reimbursed to Andy Garza upon presentation of proper receipts.

7. Review Letter from County Judge on Intention to Designate a Reinvestment Zone

Leo Villarreal presented the Board of Directors with a copy of a letter from Louis E. Turcotte, III, County Judge, regarding the County's intention to designate a Reinvestment Zone in Kenedy County regarding E.ON's tax exempt application. Villarreal stated that in July, 2014, the county acted on E.ON's application, but, that the Commissioner's Court would have to reconsider the application because the Fire District had not timely received the proper notices.

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

8. <u>Discuss & Act on an Order Calling the November 4, 2014, Election Regarding the Board of Directors for Precinct 1, Precinct 2 and Precinct 5 and Publish Public Notices as Required by Law</u>

Leo Villarreal reported that Directors Homero Vera, Precinct 1, Craig Weiland, Precinct 2, and David Delaney, Precinct 5, are up for re-election in 2014; that the General Election is scheduled for November 4, 2014; and that the District needs to pass an Order Calling for the November 4, 2014 Election of the Directors for Precinct 1, 2 & 5; and that the Notice of the General Election needs to be published.

Craig Weiland moved and Dave Delaney seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that Notice of the November 4, 2014, General Election and an Order Calling Election be signed and published as required by law as follows:

NOTICE

OF GENERAL ELECTION THE KENEDY COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT'S NOVEMBER 4, 2014, ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR PRECINCT 1, 2 AND 5

To the registered voters residing in Precincts 1, 2 and 5 of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District:

(Al los votantes registrados en precintos 1, 2 y 5 del Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District:)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the polling places listed below will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on November 4, 2014, for voting in a general election to elect Board of Directors for Precincts 1, 2 and 5 of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District.

(Notifiquese, por el presente, que las casillas electorales situadas abajo se abrirán a las 7:00 a.m. hasta las 7:00 p.m. para votar en la Eleccion General para elegir directores para Precintos 1, 2 y 5 de la Mesa Directiva de Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District.)

ON ELECTION DAY, voters must vote in the precinct where registered to vote.

(El Dia de Eleccion, los votantes deberan votar en su precinto donde estan registrados para votar.)

Kenedy County

Precinct 1 – Polling Place: Sarita Elementary School

Precinct 2 - Polling Place 3: Kenedy County Election Administration Office

Kleberg County

<u>Precinct 1 – Polling Place 2</u>: King Ranch Office at Laureles

<u>Precinct 2 – Polling Place 4</u>: Santa Gertrudis School Building on the King Ranch <u>Precinct 5 – Polling Place 12</u>: Santa Gertrudis School Building on the King Ranch

Jim Wells County

Precinct 5 - Polling Place 13: Premont High School, Premont, Texas

Nueces County

<u>Precinct 2 – Polling Place 14</u>: King Ranch Office at Laureles

For early voting, a voter registered to vote may vote at their respective locations listed below:

(Para Votacion Adelantada, los votantes podran votar en su respectivo ubicacion nombrados abajo.)

Kenedy County:

Residents of Precincts 1, 2 & 5 in Kenedy County with Noel Pena, Kenedy County Elections Administrator, Kenedy County Election Administration Office, Sarita, Texas (Phone: 361-294-5255) from 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and from 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

(Residentes de Precintos 1, 2 & 5 en el Condado de Kenedy con Noel Pena, Kenedy County Elections Administrator, Oficina de Elecciones del Condado de Kenedy, Sarita, Texas (Telefono: 361-294-5255) de las 8:30 a.m. hasta 12:00 p.m. y de 1:30 p.m. hasta 4:30 p.m)

Jim Wells County:

Residents of Precinct 5 in Jim Wells County with Maria Antonia Kuhlman at 200 N. Almond (Courthouse), Alice, Texas 78332 (Phone 361-668-5711) from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

(Residentes de Precinto 5 en el Condado de Jim Wells con Maria Antonia Kuhlman en la Casa de Corte, Oficina de Elecciones, 200 N. Almond, Alice, Texas 78332 (Telefono 361-668-5711) de las 8:00 a.m. hasta 12:00 p.m. y de 1:00 p.m. hasta 5:00 p.m)

Kleberg County:

Residents of Precinct 1, 2 & 5 in Kleberg County with Leo Alarcon at 700 E. Kleberg St., Kingsville, Texas 78363 (Phone: 361-595-8548) from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

(Residentes de Precinto 1, 2 & 5 en el Condado de Kleberg con Leo Alarcon en 700 E. Kleberg, Kingsville, Texas 78363 (Telefono: 361-595-8548) de las 8:00 a.m. hasta 12:00 p.m. y de 1:00 p.m. hasao 5:00 p.m)

Nueces County:

Residents of Precincts 2 & 5 in Nueces County with Diana T. Barrera at 901 Leopard St., Texas 78359 (Phone: 361-888-0580) from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

(Residentes de Precinto 2 & 5 en el Condado de Nueces con Diana T. Barrera en 901 Leopard St., Corpus Christi, Texas 78403 (Telefono: 361-888-0580) de las 8:00 a.m. hasta 12:00 p.m. y de 1:00 p.m. hasta 5:00 p.m)

Applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

(Las solicitudes para boletas de votacion adelantada por correo deberan enviarse a:)

Kenedy County: Noel Pena at P. O. Box 273, Sarita, Texas 78385

Jim Wells County: Maria Antonia Kuhlman at P. O. Box 2188, Alice, Texas 78333-2188

<u>Kleberg County</u>: Leo Alarcon at P. O. Box 1327, Kingsville, Texas 78364-1327 <u>Nueces County</u>: Diana T. Barrera at P. O. Box 2627, Corpus Christi, Texas 78403

Applications for ballots by mail may be requested starting September 5, 2014, and completed ballots must be received by the Early Voting Clerk no later than the close of business on October 24, 2014.

(Las solicitudes para boletas de votacion adelantada por correo se puede pider commensando el 5 de septiembre 2014 y se debe recibirse para el fin de las horas de negocio el 24 de octubre 2014.)

ISSUED this the 23rd day of July, 2014. (Emitida este dia 23 de julio, 2014.

ORDER OF ELECTION KENEDY COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT November 4, 2014

An election is hereby **ORDERED** to be held on November 4, 2014, for the purpose of electing Directors for the offices of Precincts 1, 2 and 5 which are located in Kenedy, Jim Wells, Kleberg and Nueces Counties, at the following polling places:

(Por la presente se ordena que se llevara a cabo una elección el 4 de noviembre 2014, para elejir las oficinas de precintos 1, 2 y 5 de la Meza Directiva loquilisados en los Condados de Kenedy, Jim Wells, Kleberg y Nueces, en los siguientes lugares:

Kenedy County

Precinct 1 - Polling Place: Sarita Elementary School

<u>Precinct 2 – Polling Place 3: Kenedy County Elections Administration Office</u>

Kleberg County

<u>Precinct 1 – Polling Place 2</u>: King Ranch Office at Laureles

<u>Precinct 2 – Polling Place 4</u>: Santa Gertrudis School Building on the King Ranch <u>Precinct 5 – Polling Place 12</u>: Santa Gertrudis School Building on the King Ranch

Jim Wells County

<u>Precinct 5 – Polling Place 13</u>: Premont High School, Premont, Texas

Nueces County

Precinct 2 – Polling Place 14: King Ranch Office at Laureles

Applications for a place on the ballot shall be filed by August 18, 2014 with Andy Garza, General Manager, P. O. Box 221, Sarita, Texas 78385.

(Solicitudes para un lugar en la boleta serán enviadas por correo a Andy Garza, General Manager, P. O. Box 221, Sarita, Texas 78385, para el 18 de agosto, 2014.)

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 24, 2014.

(Las solicitudes de boletas para votar en ausencia deberán recibirse por correo antes del fin de las horas de negocio de el 24 de octubre 2014.)

Early voting by personal appearance shall be conducted each weekday beginning on October 20, 2014, and ending on October 31, 2014, as follows:

(La votacion adelantada en persona se llevara a cabo cada dia del la semana commensando el 20 de octubre 2014 hasta el 31 de octubre 2014.)

Kenedy County – Precincts 1, 2 & 5:

Kenedy County Elections Administrator's Office

150 N. Turcotte

Sarita, Texas 78385

Hours: 8:30 a.m. to 12:00 noon and 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

<u>Jim Wells County – Precinct 5:</u>

Jim Wells County Election Administration's Office

200 N. Almond St., Alice, Texas 78332

Hours: 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Kleberg County – Precincts 1, 2 & 5:

Kleberg County Clerk's Office

Kleberg County Courthouse

700 E. Kleberg

Kingsville, Texas 78363

Hours: 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Nueces County - Precincts 2 & 5:

Nueces County Clerk's Office

901 Leopard St.

Corpus Christi, Texas 78403

Hours: 8:00 a.m. and 12:00 noon and 1:00 p.m. and 5:00 p.m.

Starting September 5, 2014, applications for ballot by mail shall be mailed to:

(Commensando el 5 de septiembre 2014, aplicaciones de boleto deberán enviarse a:)

Kenedy County: Noel Pena at P. O. Box 273, Sarita, Texas 78385

Jim Wells County: Maria Antonia Kuhlman at P. O. Box 2188, Alice, Texas 78333-2188

<u>Kleberg County</u>: Leo Alarcon at P. O. Box 1327, Kingsville, Texas 78364-1327 <u>Nueces County</u>: Diana T. Barrera at P. O. Box 2627, Corpus Christi, Texas 78403

Applications for ballots by mail must be received no later than the close of business on October 24, 2014.

(Aplicaciones para boletas por correo se deben recibir para el fin de las horas de negocio del 24 de octubre 2014.)

ISSUED this the 23rd day of July, 2014. *EMITIDA este dia 23 de julio 2014.*

9. Discuss & Act on First and Second Quarter Investment Reports for 2014

Leo Villarreal informed the Board of Directors that due to his open heart surgery and subsequent doctor's visits, he had not been available in April or June to present the 2014 First or Second Quarter Investment Reports. Leo Villarreal then presented the Board of Directors with the 2014 First and Second Quarter Investment Reports.

Dave Delaney moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2014 First Quarter Investment Report and the 2014 Second Quarter Investment Report be accepted as presented.

10. Receive Report on 2014 Certified Appraised Values

Leo Villarreal presented the Board of Directors with the 2014 Certified Appraisal Values to be used in determining the 2015 Budget. He informed the Board of Directors that only Jim Wells County and Kenedy County have presented the certified appraised values and that the other five counties will not have certified appraised values until after July 25, 2014; therefore, a special meeting will need to be called in late July or early August

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

11. Receive Report on Budget Comparison as of July 23, 2014

Leo Villarreal presented the Board of Directors with the Budget Comparison as of July 23, 2014.

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

12. Conduct 2015 Budget Workshop

Chuck Burns informed the Board of Directors of the need to conduct a 2015 Budget Workshop. Leo Villarreal recommended that the workshop be postponed until all the certified appraised values were known.

Craig Weiland moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the budget workshop be postponed until all certified appraised values have been received.

13. 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. The budget and tax rate will be considered and adopted at the next meeting.

Homero Vera moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the next meeting be held at 9:00 AM on August 20, 2014.

14. Discuss and Act on Payment of Bills

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

Homero Vera moved and Dave Delaney seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the bills be paid as presented.

15. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Craig Weiland moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the meeting be adjourned at 11:00 AM.

David Delaney, Secretary

ATTESTED TO:

Chuck Burns, President