

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

On the 12th day of September, 2014, at 9:00 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  
Craig Weiland, Member  
Danny Butler, Member

**Also present:**

Andy Garza, General Manager  
Leo Villarreal, Administrative Assistant

**Absent:**

Dave Delaney, Secretary

**1. Call Meeting to Order**

Chuck Burns, President, called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

**2. Receive Public Comments**

No public comments were received.

**3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of August 20, 2014, Regular Meeting**

Chuck Burns presented the Board with the August 20, 2014, regular meeting minutes of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District.

Danny Butler moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the August 20, 2014, regular meeting minutes be approved as presented.

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

- a. Communications
- b. Well registrations
- c. TAGD Groundwater Summit report
- d. Drought report
- e. Report to Kenedy County Commissioners Court
- f. News articles

**g. Other**

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following:

- a) Communications: Garza reported that he had communications with Shelby Pennington (ExxonMobil), Judy Adams (Southmost Regional Water Authority), Rick Hay (TAMU-Corpus Christi), Felix Saenz (Brush Country GCD) and Stacey Steinbach (TAGD) since the last meeting. Garza provided details on each communication. It was reported by Garza that the annual letter to well drillers had been mailed out.
- b) Well registrations: Garza reported that he had done a site visit to Los Hermanos Ranch and was in process of completing paperwork on the nine wells. Garza also reported that SKE Heritage had submitted paperwork on their well.
- c) TAGD Groundwater Summit report: Garza provided the directors with a list of the presentations that had been made at the summit. He then provided information on the presentation that described the project whereby brackish water resources were mapped and quantified in the Lower Rio Grande Valley. Additionally, Garza provided information on the progress that the City of Corpus Christi has made on the demonstration project that will establish a desalination plant that will process both seawater and brackish groundwater.
- d) Drought report: Garza provided the directors with a handout showing the status of the drought in Texas and the probability of an El Nino weather pattern developing in Texas.
- e) Report to Kenedy County Commissioners Court: Garza reported that he had presented data on hydrostatic well levels and water chemistry to the commissioners. Leo Villarreal interjected that the report had been well received.
- f) News articles: Various news articles related to groundwater were distributed to the directors.
- g) Other: None

**5. Discuss & Act, If Necessary, On Request from Texas Water Development Board**

Andy Garza reported that the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) has undertaken a project to update and combine the Gulf Coast Aquifer System groundwater models for GMAs-15 and 16. The TWDB is requesting that groundwater conservation districts share any data about the Gulf Coast Aquifer that may not currently be publicly available. Garza recommended that the Kenedy County GCD could share data that provides hydrostatic levels to bottom of screen footage on about 24 wells located throughout the district. District well numbers and ranch names would not be provided.

Homero Vera moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the district provide the TWDB with data on hydrostatic level to bottom of screen footage.

**6. Hold Public Hearing on the Proposed 2015 Budget**

Chuck Burns closed the regular board meeting and opened the public hearing on the proposed 2015 budget. Mr. Burns asked for input from the public. There was no input from the public. Mr. Burns closed the public meeting.

**7. Discuss & Act on Adoption of the 2015 Budget**

Chuck Burns reconvened the regular meeting and called for adoption of the 2015 budget as presented by Leo Villarreal. The amount for the budget was \$198,600.

Danny Butler moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2015 budget be approved as presented in the amount of \$198,600.

**8. Hold Public Hearing on the Proposed 2014 Tax Rate**

Chuck Burns closed the regular board meeting and opened the public hearing on the proposed 2014 tax rate. Mr. Burns asked for input from the public. There was no input from the public. Mr. Burns closed the public meeting.

**9. Discuss & Act on Adoption of the 2014 Tax Rate**

Chuck Burns reconvened the regular board meeting and called for adoption of the 2014 tax rate at \$.0153 per \$100 valuation.

Danny Butler moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to adopt the 2014 tax rate at \$.0153 per \$100 valuation.

**10. Discuss & Act on Date For Next Regular Meeting**

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

Craig Weiland moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to hold the next regular meeting at 10:00 a.m. on October 22, 2014.

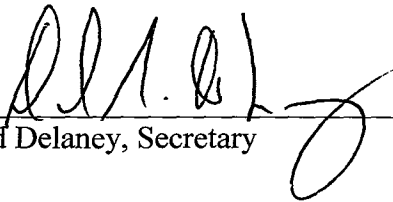
**11. Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills**

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


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

**12. Adjournment**

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Danny Butler moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the meeting be adjourned at 10:20 a.m.

  
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David Delaney, Secretary

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Chuck Burns, President