

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

On the 21st day of October, 2015, 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
Felix Saenz, Brush Country GCD
Louie Pena, Duval County GCD
Monica Jacobs, Kelly Hart

Absent:

Dave Delaney, Secretary

1. Call Meeting to Order

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

2. Public Comments

No comments were received.

3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of September 9, 2015, Regular Meeting and of September 30, 2015 Special Meeting

Chuck Burns presented the Board with the September 9, 2015, regular meeting minutes and September 30 special meeting minutes of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District.

Danny Butler moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the September 9, 2015 regular meeting minutes and the September 30, 2015 special meeting minutes be approved as presented.

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

- a. **Communications**
- b. **Well registrations**
- c. **Region N meeting: October 15, 2015**
- d. **Duval County GCD**
- e. **Brush Country GCD meeting on September 22, 2015**
- f. **Public hearing on HB 30 and HB 1232 on October 26, 2015**
- g. **Rio Grande Valley Groundwater Transport Model**
- h. **SWIFT report**
- i. **Office renovation update**
- j. **National Night Out block party**
- k. **News articles**
- l. **Other**

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following:

- a. **Communications**: Garza reported that he had had communications with Dustin Frost, consultant for Next Generation, regarding boundaries of GCD and rules and regulations; Cody Fry, Armstrong Ranch, regarding port on new well to be used for water level monitoring; Jeffrey Simms, environment specialist, regarding groundwater quality data as per district; Andrea Wiley, environmental specialist, regarding well registrations and permit requirements; and Justin Cantu, new ranch manager at Campo Alegre, regarding Cantu's desire to inform the District about the changes in personnel.
- b. **Well registrations**: Garza reported that Hoot Gibson had submitted paperwork on well registration and the Kenedy Memorial Foundation was in the process of registering 2 new wells.
- c. **Region N meeting**: Garza reported that he and Chuck Burns had attended Region N meeting on October 15, 2015. The Region N Initially Prepared Plan(IPP) was submitted to the TWDB on May 1, 2015. Comments were received and reviewed for content and merit. The revised IPP will now be submitted for final approval by the TWDB. The City of Alice informed the group that it now has 7 options to address water needs.
- d. **Duval County GCD**: Garza reported that the Duval County GCD issue regarding an injection well had been resolved before the Texas Railroad Commission hearing.
- e. **Brush Country GCD meeting on Sept.22, 2015**: Garza reported that on September 22, 2015, he had attended a meeting of the Brush Country GCD. Garza reported that the Brush Country GCD had revised its rules and bylaws, additional wells have been registered and that monitoring of water levels and water chemistry is about to begin.
- f. **Public hearing on HB 30 and HB 1232**: Garza reported that on October 26, 2015, he will attend a public hearing on HB 30 and HB 1232 in Austin, Texas.

- g. Rio Grande Valley Groundwater Transport Model: Garza reported that on November 4, 2015, he will be attending a Stakeholder Advisory Forum in Weslaco, TX where the project to develop a groundwater transport model will be discussed.
- h. SWIFT report: Garza provided the directors with an update on the second round of funding through the SWIFT program.
- i. Office renovation update: Garza provided the directors with a tour of the new office located in the Kenedy County Appraisal District renovated building.
- j. National Night Out block party: Garza reported that on October 6, 2015, the District had given out 10 cases of bottled water at the National Night Out block party.
- k. News articles: Various news articles were distributed to the directors.
- l. Other: Leo Villarreal, on October 22, 2015, will receive a Tejano Service Award at Texas A&M University, Kingsville.

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

5. Receive Progress Report from Mary Sahs on District Rule Revisions

Andy Garza reported that Mary Sahs will be attending the District's meeting in November, 2015 to review the district's rule revisions she will be recommending.

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

6. Discuss & Act on Upcoming GMA-16 Activities

Andy Garza reported that GMA-16 had requested that each GCD designate someone to represent their respective GCD at future meetings. Garza reviewed a modified version of a resolution that the District had used in 2011 for this very purpose. The next meeting is scheduled for October 28, 2015.

Homero Vera moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that Andy Garza is designated as the representative for the Kenedy County GCD when Chuck Burns and Dave Delaney are unable to attend the GMA-16 meetings.

7. Discuss & Act on District Sublease Agreement with Kenedy County Appraisal District

Leo Villarreal reviewed the proposed Sub-Lease Agreement, as per new location of GCD office, between the Kenedy County GCD and the Kenedy County Appraisal District. The Kenedy County Appraisal District entered into a lease agreement with Kenedy County and Kenedy County GCD will, in turn, enter into a sublease agreement with the Kenedy County Appraisal District. There is a need for the lease and sublease

agreements to be signed because of the funds from the Kenedy County Appraisal District and the Kenedy County GCD paid to renovate the old sheriff's building owned by Kenedy County.

Danny Butler moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to approve the sublease agreement between the Kenedy County GCD and the Kenedy County Appraisal District which will be effective immediately.

8. Receive Quarterly Investment Report

Leo Villarreal provided the Board of Directors with an investment report for the 3rd quarter of 2015. Villarreal reported that the District's beginning market value was \$527,941.41 and the ending value was \$510,342.16. CD #60720 and CD #60555 will mature on November 8, 2015 and November 18, 2015, respectively.

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

9. Discuss & Act on Amending 2015 Budget

Leo Villarreal informed the Board of Directors that there was a need to amend the 2015 Budget due to the \$22,000.00 expended from Contingency for the renovation of the office space to be leased from the Kenedy County Central Appraisal District as follows:

Transfer: \$7,500 from Computer/Software, \$500 from Dues & Subscriptions, \$2,000 from Maps & Records and \$7,000 from Joint Planning/GMA-16 to Contingency.

Craig Weiland moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the 2015 budget be amended as follows:

Transfer: \$7,500 from Computer/Software, \$500 from Dues & Subscriptions, \$2,000 from Maps & Records and \$7,000 from Joint Planning/GMA-16 to Contingency.

10. Discuss & Act on Renewal of Certificate of Deposit #60555 (Matures 11/18/2015 with Kleberg Bank)

Leo Villarreal informed the Board of Directors that CD #60555 would mature on November 18, 2015, and that current value of the CD #60555 is \$157,261.34. He further informed the Board of Directors that CD #60720 would mature on November 8, 2015, and that it had a value of \$156,625.06.

Danny Butler moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was passed unanimously to renew both CD's for one year.

11. Discuss & Act on Ordering Hylson Minutes Book from Excelsior Blumberg for 2016

Leo Villarreal informed the Board of Directors of the need to order the 2016 Hylson Minutes Book from Excelsior Blumberg at a cost not to exceed \$250.00.

Homero Vera moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that Leo Villarreal is authorized to order the 2016 Hylson Minutes Book from Excelsior Blumberg at a cost not to exceed \$250.00.

12. Discuss & Act on Date for Next Regular Meeting Date

Chuck Burns informed the directors that a date needed to be set for the next regular meeting.

Homero Vera moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to hold the next regular meeting at 9:00 AM on November 18, 2015.

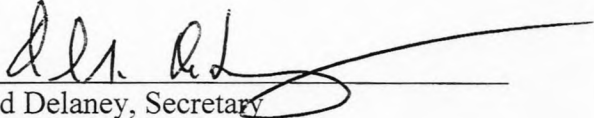
13. Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills

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 to pay bills as presented.

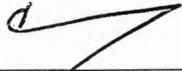
14. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Homero Vera moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to adjourn the meeting at 9:50 AM.



David Delaney, Secretary

ATTESTED TO:



Chuck Burns, President