# THE STATE OF TEXAS \* GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

COUNTY OF KENEDY \* OF KENEDY COUNTY, TEXAS

On the 21st day of March, 2018, at 9:00 AM, a regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District was held at the Kenedy County Courthouse Courtroom 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 Louie Pena, Duval County GCD

Absent: Dave Delaney, Secretary

## 1. Call Meeting to Order

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

## 2. <u>Public Comments</u>

No public comments were offered.

## 3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of February 21, 2018 Regular Meeting

President Chuck Burns presented to the Directors the minutes of the February 21, 2018 regular meeting.

Homero Vera moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the February 21, 2018 regular meeting minutes be approved as presented.

4. <u>Receive General Manager's Activity Report & Act, If Necessary, Regarding:</u>
<u>a. Communications</u>
<u>b. Well registrations</u>
<u>c. Region N Subcommittee Meeting</u>
<u>d. Duval County GCD meeting</u>
<u>e. Water level measurements report</u>

# <u>f. Drought report</u> <u>g. Tour of O.N. Stevens Water Treatment Plant, City of Corpus Christi</u> <u>h. Joint GCD meeting; 5/17/2018</u> <u>i. News articles</u> <u>j. Other</u>

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following:

<u>a. Communications:</u> Garza reported that since the District's meeting in January, 2018, he had communicated with the following individuals and/or entities: Steve Faciane, representative for IEA, regarding drilling of a new well for use in the construction of a new wind farm on the Kenedy Memorial Foundation and Robert Schmidt, NRCS district conservationist, regarding assistance for interpretation of water chemistry report.

<u>b. Well registrations</u>: Garza reported that no wells had been registered since the last meeting.

<u>c. Region N subcommittee meeting</u>: Chuck Burns and Andy Garza reported that both had attended this meeting in Kingsville, TX on February 27, 2018. Primary purpose of meeting was to determine if a MAG Peak Factor could be established to meet water shortages in certain areas of Region N. Burns and Garza indicated that the process for a MAG Peak Factor is complicated and involves GCDs and the GMA. After further review of the data that showed the water shortages, the subcommittee determined that a MAG Peak Factor was not needed because the shortages were not large and could be met by conservation or other means.

<u>d. Duval County GCD meeting:</u> Garza reviewed the highlights of the Duval County GCD meeting. Garza reported that the Duval County GCD had adopted rule amendments and was considering acquiring additional office space.

<u>e. Water level measurements report:</u> Garza reviewed with the Directors the Winter 2018 water level measurements report. Garza stated most wells in the report had been measured 14 times since Summer 2011. Garza reported that 9 wells located throughout the District have been designated to monitor the Desired Future Condition established by the District. Lastly, Garza informed the Directors that 1 new replacement well included on the list had some artesian flow.

<u>f. Drought report:</u> Garza shared the most recent drought report with the Directors. Overall, Garza stated that it is getting drier throughout most of Texas.

<u>g. Tour of O.N. Stevens Water Treatment Plant, City of Corpus Christi:</u> Andy Garza informed the Directors that he would be contacting Larijai Francis about a tour of the water treatment as part of the April, 2018 meeting.

<u>h. Joint GCD meeting:</u> Garza informed the Directors that he was still working with the Brush Country GCD about holding a joint meeting in May, 2018.

j. News articles: Various news articles were distributed to the Directors.

j. Other: Nothing to report.

## 5. Hold Public Hearing District's Proposed Rule Amendments

Chuck Burns, at 9:05 a.m., announced that the public hearing was now in session and welcomed members of the public to address the board of directors regarding the proposed district rule amendments.

No comments were received from the public.

Leo Villarreal and Andy Garza informed the directors that the District had not received any written comments on the proposed rule amendments. Andy Garza listed the particular rules that are being amended.

Chuck Burns closed the public hearing and reopened the regular meeting.

## 6. Discuss & Act to Adopt Proposed Rule Amendments

Chuck Burns, after closing the Public Hearing, presented to the Board of Directors the District's proposed rule amendments and recommended that they be adopted and become effective on the date the Board chairman would sign the order.

Homero Vera moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was passed unanimously by resolution:

**BE IT RESOLVED** that the District Rules be adopted as amended; be incorporated herein and made a part hereof for all purposes; and

**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED** that the District Rules shall be effective on the date the Order is signed by the Board Chairman.

## 7. Discuss & Act on Date for Next Regular Board Meeting

Chuck Burns informed the Directors that a date needed to be set for the next regular meeting which will include a public hearing for the proposed rule amendments.

Craig Weiland moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to hold the next regular meeting at 9:00 AM on April 18, 2018 in Sarita, TX.

## 8. Discuss & Act on Payment Bills

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

Homero Vera moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to pay the bills as presented.

# 9. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Danny Butler moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 10:00 AM.

David Delaney, Secretary

ATTESTED TO:

Chuck Burns, President