

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

On the 20th day of October, 2021, at 1:30 PM, a regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District was held in the Kenedy County Courthouse Courtroom in Sarita, Texas.

Directors present:

Homero Vera, President
Edward Bordovsky, Vice-President
Verl Cash, Secretary
Danny Butler, Member
Sonny Burns, Member

Also present:

Andy Garza, General Manager
Louie Pena, Brush Country GCD Manager
George Gonzalez, Duval County GCD Manager

Absent:

Leo Villarreal, Kenedy County GCD Administrative Assistant

1. Call Meeting to Order

Homero Vera, President, called the meeting to order at 1:40 PM with a quorum being present.

2. Public Comments

No public comments were offered.

3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of September 17, 2021 Regular Meeting and September 28, 2021 Special Meeting

President Homero Vera presented to the Directors the minutes of the September 17, 2021 regular meeting and September 28, 2021 special meeting.

Sonny Burns moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the minutes of the September 17, 2021 regular meeting and September 28, 2021 special meeting be approved as presented.

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

- a. Communications**
- b. Well registrations**
- c. Brush Country GCD meeting**
- d. Duval County GCD meeting**
- e. GMA-16 meeting; Sept. 21, 2021**
- f. Region N meeting; Oct. 7, 2021**
- g. Request from Kenedy County Appraisal District**
- h. Starr County GCD assistance**
- i. Legality questions from new board members**
- j. News articles**
- k. Other**

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following:

a. Communications: Garza reported that since the District's September, 2021 meeting, he had communicated with James Forehand, water well driller from Pleasanton, Texas, regarding the boundaries of the Kenedy County GCD and registration of a new well; Reyna Guerra, Starr County GCD Director, regarding information needed by the Starr County GCD to comply with TCEQ orders; Sean Sahs, database assistant, regarding the uploading of data into the District's database; Adalberto Garza, Starr County GCD Interim General Manager, regarding the collection of water samples to determine total dissolved solids; George Gonzalez, Duval County GCD General Manager, regarding contact information for Dr. Venki Uddameri and Willis Tinsley, King Ranch Area Manager, regarding the completion of some replacement wells.

b. Well registrations: Garza reported that no wells had been registered with the GCD since the last meeting.

c. Brush Country GCD meeting: Garza informed the Directors that the Brush Country GCD had met on September 21, 2021 and reported the highlights of the meeting.

d. Duval County GCD meeting: Garza reported that the Duval County GCD had met on September 29, 2021 and reported the highlights of the meeting.

e. GMA-16 meeting; Sept. 21, 2021: Garza informed the Directors that GMA-16 had met on September 21, 2021 and voted on final approval of the DFCs as determined by Intera. Garza also reported that he had been reappointed to represent GMA-16 on the Region N water planning group and Armando Vela, Red Sands GCD general manager, had been reappointed to represent GMA-16 on the Region M water planning group

f. Region N meeting; October 7, 2021: Garza stated that he had attended the Region N meeting in Robstown, Texas on October 7, 2021. Garza reported that Steve Ramos, James Dodson and John Marez had been appointed to the Region N water planning group to represent municipalities, environmental issues and water utilities, respectively. Garza reported that he had been appointed Region N liaison to Region M.

g. Request from Kenedy County Appraisal District: Garza informed the Directors that he had received a request from the Kenedy County Appraisal District for information on well depths across Kenedy County. Garza stated that he had compiled a spreadsheet and shared it with the Directors.

h. Starr County GCD assistance: Garza reported that he will be assisting the Starr County GCD with water chemistry analyses in early November, 2021.

i. Legality questions from new board members: Garza recommended that the new Directors submit their questions in writing to him so that he can then get Leo Villarreal to provide them with written answers at the November, 2021 GCD meeting.

j. News articles: Garza handed out to the Directors news articles relevant to groundwater issues.

k. Other: There was nothing to report.

Sonny Burns moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to accept the General Manager's report.

5. Discuss & Act to Pay 2022 TAGD Dues

Andy Garza recommended to the Directors that the Kenedy County GCD pay the TAGD membership dues for 2022 in the amount \$1,190.00.

Danny Butler moved and Edward Bordovsky seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to pay the TAGD membership dues for 2022 in the amount of \$1,190.00.

6. Discuss & Act on 2021 Budget Amendments

Andy Garza recommended the following amendment for the 2021 budget: transfer \$1,600.00 from "Contingency" to "Office Phone".

Edward Bordovsky moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to transfer \$1,600.00 be transferred from "Contingency" to "Office Phone" as recommended by Andy Garza.

7. Discuss & Act on 3rd Quarter Investment Report

Homero Vera and Andy Garza reviewed the Third Quarter Investment Report as prepared by Leo Villarreal. The investment report showed that checking account had a balance of \$227,183.33 as of September 30, 2021 and that the two investments with New York Life had earned a total of \$3,735.05 of interest during the Third quarter of 2021.

Danny Butler moved and Edward Bordovsky seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to accept the Third Quarter Investment Report as presented.

8. Discuss & Act on Date for Next Regular Board Meeting

Homero Vera informed the Directors that a date needed to be set for the next regular meeting.

Verl Cash moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to hold the next regular meeting at 9:00 AM on November 17, 2021 in Sarita, Texas.

9. Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills for October, 2021

Homero Vera presented to the Directors the bills for October, 2021 for consideration and payment.

Danny Butler moved and Ed Bordovsky seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to pay the bills for October, 2021 as presented.

10. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Danny Butler moved and Sonny Burns seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 2:15 PM.



Verl Cash, Secretary

ATTESTED TO:



Homero S. Vera, President