

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

On the 21st day of December, 2022, at 10:30 AM, a regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District was held at Kenedy County Appraisal District Hearings Room in Sarita, TX.

Directors present:

Edward Bordovsky, President
Verl Cash, Vice-President
Esteban Lopez, Secretary
Danny Butler, Member
Sonny Burns, Member

Also present:

Andy Garza, General Manager
Louie Pena, Brush Country GCD manager
Royce Carrera, Brush County GCD assistant
Chuck Burns, Kenedy County Judge

Absent:

Leo Villarreal, Administrative Assistant

1. Call Meeting to Order

Edward Bordovsky, President, called the meeting to order at 10:35 AM and announced that a quorum was present.

2. Public Comments

Louie Pena introduced his Administrative Assistant, Royce Carrera, to the Directors.

3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of November 17, 2022 Regular Meeting

President Edward Bordovsky presented to the Directors the minutes of the November 17, 2022 regular meeting.

Sonny Burns moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the minutes of the November 17, 2022 regular 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 report**
- f. Update on Alice, TX desalination plant**
- g. Request for 2022 water use reports**
- h. Water chemistry samples**
- i. Management Plan update**
- j. Desal plant visit for January, 2023**
- k. Need for records storage space**
- l. Follow-up: Thanksgiving dinner for needy family in Sarita, TX**
- m. Annual leave request**
- n. News articles**
- o. Other**

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following:

a. Communications: Garza reported that since the District's November, 2022 meeting, he had communicated with Joe Stiles (KCT liaison), Joe Recio (county commissioner), David Rosse (county commissioner), Pepe Williams (county commissioner) and Mauro Garcia (GCD director) regarding a field trip to the desalination plant in Brownsville, TX; Bethany McDaniel, Eurofins Lab technician, regarding collection of water samples for lab analyses; Fred Bertram, TWDB field technician, regarding the availability of a bailer to collect a water sample below the hydrostatic level; Alejandro Urias, Santa Fe Ranch manager, regarding his retirement in the next few months; Carol Pruitt, Brazoria Operating representative, regarding the registration of temporary rig supply well and Willis Tinsley, King Ranch infrastructure manager, regarding water use amounts at the Santa Gertrudis division.

b. Well registrations: Garza informed the Directors that the Big Horn Ranch had picked up a water well registration form.

c. Brush Country GCD meeting: Garza reported that the Brush Country GCD had met on November 29, 2022 and reviewed the highlights of the meeting.

d. Duval County GCD meeting: Garza stated that the Duval County GCD had met on November 29, 2022 and covered the highlights of the meeting.

e. GMA-16 report: Garza informed the Directors that the TWDB has provided GMA-16 with its Modeled Available Groundwater (MAG) report. Garza stated that the revised Desired Future Condition for the Kenedy County GCD is 27 feet of drawdown for the Gulf Coast Aquifer System and the MAG is 27,030 acre-feet through 2080.

f. Update on Alice, TX desalination plant: Garza reported that the City of Alice has applied for a discharge permit for its desalination plant at a rate of 1.225 million gallons per day.

g. Request for 2022 water use reports: Garza informed the Directors that requests for 2022 water use reports from permittees have been mailed out. Reports are due no later than January 31m 2023.

h. Water chemistry samples: Garza reviewed the water chemistry reports on 3 water samples that were analyzed by the Eurofins lab in Corpus Christi, TX.

i. Management Plan update: Garza reported that the GCD had submitted to TWDB a revised management plan to address 3 of the 5 deficiencies found in the original review and indicated that a public hearing would be scheduled as soon as the GCD receives word from the TWDB.

j. Desal plant visit for January, 2023: Garza informed the Directors that the GCD will sponsor a field trip to the Brownsville, TX desalination plant on January 10, 2023. Commissioners from Kenedy, Kleberg and Brooks counties have been invited to participate in the field trip.

k. Need for records storage space: The Directors made an on-site visit to the west side of the Appraisal District/GCD building to consider ideas on how best to address the need for additional storage space.

l. Follow-up: Thanksgiving dinner for needy family in Sarita, TX: Garza reported that the GCD had donated ingredients for a Thanksgiving dinner to the Eulalio Beltran family in Sarita, TX.

m. Annual leave request: Garza requested annual leave for December 27-29, 2022.

n. News articles: Garza handed out news article pertinent to groundwater issues.

o. Other: Garza reported on the following: L'Oreal Stepney has been appointed by Governor Abbott to the TWDB for a term to expire in February, 2023; Toby Baker, TCEQ's Executive Director, will become Governor Abbott's Deputy Chief of Staff and Bobby Bazan, water resources specialist with the Post Oak Savannah GCD will be the new Executive Director for the Texas Ground Water Association.

Sonny Burns moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to accept the General Manager's report and approve Andy Garza's request for annual leave for December 27-29, 2022.

5. Discuss & Act to Approve 2022 Mileage Reimbursements for Danny Butler, Sonny Burns And Leo Villarreal

Andy Garza recommended that 2022 mileage reimbursements for Danny Butler, Sonny Burns and Leo Villarreal be approved in the amounts of \$\$425.00, \$345.00 and \$330.00, respectively.

Esteban Lopez moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to approve the 2022 mileage reimbursements for Danny Butler, Sonny Burns and Leo Villarreal as recommended by Andy Garza.

6. Receive Comments from Kristen Fancher

Andy Garza informed the Directors that Kristen Fancher was unable to attend the meeting due to illness in the family.

7. Discuss & Act on Date for Next Regular Meeting

Edward Bordovsky informed the Directors that a date needed to be set for the next regular meeting.

Sonny Burns moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to hold the next regular meeting at 10:30 AM on January 18, 2023 in Sarita, TX.

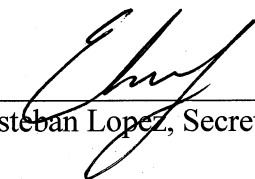
8. Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills for December, 2022

Edward Bordovsky presented to the Directors the bills for December, 2022 for consideration and payment.

Danny Butler moved and Sonny Burns seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to pay the bills for December, 2022 as presented.

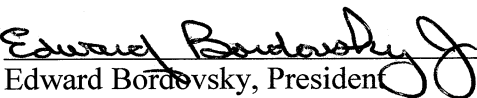
9. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Danny Butler moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 11:25 AM.



Esteban Lopez, Secretary

ATTESTED TO:



Edward Bordovsky, President