

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

On the 19th day of October, 2022, at 9:00 AM, a regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District was held at Kenedy County Courthouse Courtroom in Sarita, TX.

Directors present:

Edward Bordovsky, President
Verl Cash, Vice-President
Esteban Lopez, Secretary

Also present:

Andy Garza, General Manager
Leo Villarreal, Administrative Assistant
Louie Pena, Brush Country GCD manager
Chuck Burns, Kenedy County Judge

Absent:

Sonny Burns, Member
Danny Butler, Member

1. Call Meeting to Order

Edward Bordovsky, President, called the meeting to order at 9:15 AM and announced that a quorum was present.

2. Public Comments

No comments were received.

3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of September 16, 2022 Regular Meeting and September 28, 2022 Special Meeting

President Edward Bordovsky presented to the Directors the minutes of the September 16, 2022 regular meeting and September 28, 2022 special meeting.

Verl Cash moved and Esteban Lopez seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the minutes of the September 16, 2022 regular meeting and September 28, 2022 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. Starr County GCD meeting**
- f. South Texas Water Authority update**
- g. Desal plant visit**
- h. GCD map**
- i. IRS mileage rate change**
- j. Sarita block party**
- k. Halloween activity for Sarita School students**
- l. Vision screenings as per Lions Club**
- m. News articles**
- n. Other**

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following:

a. Communications: Garza reported that since the District's September, 2022 meeting, he had communicated with Beverly Moore, legislative aide to State Rep. J.M. Lozano, regarding the possibility of Rep. J.M. Lozano attending our GCD meeting in December, 2022; John Marez, South Texas Water Authority manager, regarding the service area boundaries of the South Texas Water Authority; George Gandara, Hidalgo County appraisal district specialist, regarding a request for tax information; Dr. Uddameri, hydrology consultant, regarding an update on our management plan; Don Davis, water well driller, regarding a new water well on the Big Horn Ranch and Bobby Bazan, water specialist with the Post Oak Savannah GCD, regarding the use of a downhole camera on a water well at the Nopalitos Ranch.

b. Well registrations: Garza informed the Directors that a new water well has been drilled on the Big Horn Ranch.

c. Brush Country GCD meeting: Garza reported that the Brush Country GCD had met on September 20, 2022 and reviewed the highlights of the meeting.

d. Duval County GCD meeting: Garza stated that the Duval County GCD had met on September 28, 2022 and covered the highlights of the meeting.

e. Starr County GCD meeting: Garza reported that he, Louie Pena and George Gonzalez had jointly attended a meeting of the Starr County GCD on September 22, 2022 and reviewed the highlights of the meeting.

f. South Texas Water Authority update: Garza informed the Directors that he had met with officials from the South Texas Water Authority who confirmed that their boundaries overlap with those of the Kenedy County GCD and will be considered as a surface water entity as per the Management Plan.

g. Desal plant visit: Garza reported that he will be planning another visit to the Brownsville desalination plant so as to educate Esteban Lopez and others on the concept of desalination.

h. GCD map: Garza shared with the Directors a Google-based map showing the precinct boundaries of the Kenedy County GCD. Map was developed by Bill Lothrop.

i. IRS mileage rate change: Garza stated the IRS mileage rate has increased from \$0.585 to \$0.625 effective July 1, 2022.

j. Sarita block party: Garza reported that National Night Out party held in Sarita, TX on October 4, 2022 had gone very well and that the Kenedy County GCD has given out bottled water and soft drinks.

k. Halloween activity for Sarita School students: Garza stated that the Kenedy County GCD will be participating in the Trick or Treat event for Sarita School students on October 28, 2022.

l. Vision screenings as per Lions Club: Garza informed the Directors that he will be assisting the Premont Lions Club with vision screenings at various schools for the remainder of the year.

5. Discuss & Act on Paying TAGD Membership Dues for 2023

Andy Garza recommended that the District pay the TAGD membership dues for 2023 in the amount of \$1,190.00.

Verl Cash moved and Esteban Lopez seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to pay the TAGD membership dues in the amount of \$1,190.00.

6. Discuss & Act on 3rd Quarter Financial and Investment Reports

Leo Villarreal provided the Directors with the 3rd quarter financial and investments report which showed the following account balances as of September 30, 2022: Checking-\$339,211.99; Corporate bonds-\$184,448.64 and Annuity-\$325,565.48

Esteban Lopez moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to approve the 3rd quarter financial and investments report as presented.

7. Receive Update on Records Management Policy for Kenedy County GCD

Andy Garza reported that he had attended a webinar organized by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission which provided information on records management policy, records retention schedule, etc. As a result of the webinar, Garza provided the Directors with a draft Records Management Policy and a Records Retention Schedule recommended by the Texas State Library and Archives Commission. Garza stated that this will be an action item at the November, 2022 GCD meeting.

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

8. 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.

Esteban Lopez moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to hold the next regular meeting at 10:30 AM on November 17, 2022 at the Kenedy County Courthouse in Sarita, TX.

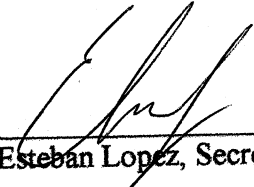
9. Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills for October, 2022

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

Verl Cash moved and Esteban Lopez seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to pay the bills for October, 2022 as presented.

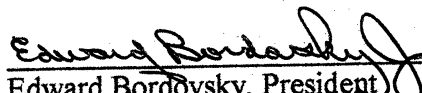
10. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Verl Cash moved and Esteban Lopez seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously that the meeting be adjourned at 10:10 AM.



Esteban Lopez, Secretary

ATTESTED TO:



Edward Bordovsky, President