

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

On the 23rd day of February, 2024, at 9:00 AM, a regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District was held at the Kenedy County Courthouse Courtroom in Sarita, TX.

Directors present:

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

Also present:

Andy Garza, General Manager
Leo Villarreal, Administrative Assistant
Louie Pena, Brush Country GCD General Manager
Sylvia Villarreal, Villarreal Law Firm Office Manager

Absent:

Danny Butler, Member

1. Call Meeting to Order

Edward Bordovsky, President, called the meeting to order at 9:03 AM and announced that a quorum was present.

2. Public Comments

No public comments were offered.

3. Discuss & Act on Minutes of January 17, 2024 Regular Meeting

Edward Bordovsky presented the Directors with the January 17, 2024 regular meeting minutes.

Sonny Burns moved and Esteban Lopez seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2024 regular meeting 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. 2023 Water use report**
- f. New TAGD Executive Director**
- g. TAGD quarterly meeting; January 30-31, 2024**
- h. Region N meeting; January 25, 2024**
- i. Regional Water Plan Group newsletter**
- j. Mesquite Clean Fuels project**
- k. Winter, 2024 water level measurements**
 - l. Quarterly drought report**
- m. Eminent domain report**
- n. News articles**
- o. Other**

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following:

a. Communications: Garza reported that since the District's January, 2024 meeting, he had communicated with Rosanna Ryan, Sarita Elementary School teacher, regarding the need for copies of the Major Rivers water education booklets; Larry Basilio, Tetra Tech geologist, regarding water well survey being conducted around the boundaries of NAS Kingsville; Heather Dobson, TWDB groundwater specialist, regarding water well measurements on the Encino and Norias divisions of King Ranch; Willis Tinsley, King Ranch area manager, regarding the boundaries of the Kenedy County GCD near the Santa Gertrudis headquarters; Justin Cantu, Hacienda Campo Alegre manager, regarding water level measurements and water chemistry reports for well located on the ranch; Michael Noonan, Aspen Consulting Services President, regarding a presentation at May, 2024 meeting on a proposed green hydrogen project on the western side of the Kenedy County GCD and Tad Wright, manager of Pattern Gulf Windfarm, regarding the 2023 water use report.

b. Well registrations: Garza informed the Directors that no water wells had been registered since the last meeting of January 17, 2024.

c. Brush Country GCD meeting: Garza reported that the Brush Country GCD had met on January 23, 2024 and reviewed the highlights of the meeting.

d. Duval County GCD meeting: Garza stated that the Duval County GCD had met on January 24, 2024 in Benavides, TX and reviewed the highlights of the meeting.

e. 2023 water use report: Garza reviewed with the Directors the 2023 water use report which showed a 22.2% use of the totaled permitted amount. Garza stated that 3 permits may need to be amended in 2024.

f. New TAGD Executive Director: Garza announced that Adam Foster is the new Executive Director of TAGD. Garza stated that Mr. Foster worked in the Water Well division of Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation prior to being hired by TAGD.

g. TAGD quarterly meeting; January 30-31, 2024: Garza reviewed with the Directors the highlights of the TAGD quarterly meeting that he attended on January 30-31, 2024 in Round Rock, TX.

h. Region N meeting; January 25, 2024: Garza reported that he had attended Region N meetings on January 25 and February 22, 2024 and reviewed the highlights of the meeting.

i. Regional Water Plan Group newsletter: Garza provided the Directors with the latest regional water planning newsletter from TWDB.

j. Mesquite Clean Fuels project: Garza reported that Aspen Consulting Services is interested in making a presentation to the board of Directors on a proposed green hydrogen project that could include the western part of the Kenedy County GCD.

k. Winter, 2024 water level measurements: Garza informed the Directors that the winter, 2024 water level measurements should be completed by the end of February, 2024.

l. Quarterly drought report: Garza provided the Directors with a drought status for Texas as per the U.S. Drought Monitor.

m. Eminent domain report: Garza informed the Directors that he had filed the annual eminent domain report with the State Comptroller's office as required by law.

n. News articles: Garza provided the Directors with news articles pertinent to groundwater issues.

o. Other: Garza reported on the following: 1) Shriver's Office Supply will close at the end of February, 2024 and 2) the Kenedy County GCD will coordinate a visit to the Brownsville desal plant for some members of the Region N planning group to attend in the future.

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

5. Discuss & Act to Approve 2023 GCD Annual Report

Garza reviewed with the Directors the 2023 GCD Annual Report as required in Management Plan.

Esteban Lopez moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to approve the 2023 GCD Annual Report as presented.

6. Discuss & Act on Authorizing Engagement Letter with Womack & Co., P.C. Regarding The 2023 Audit

Leo Villarreal informed the Directors that an Engagement Letter with Womack & Co., P.C. was needed to be signed to initiate work on the 2023 GCD audit.

Verl Cash moved and Sonny Burns seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to authorize Edward Bordovsky to sign engagement letter with Womack & Co., P.C. to initiate work on the 2023 GCD audit.

7. Discuss & Act on Signing of Texas Class Forms Required for Investments

Leo Villarreal stated that a resolution and a contract were needed to allow the Kenedy County GCD to negotiate future investments with Texas Class.

Esteban Lopez moved and Verl Cash seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to sign a resolution and a contract regarding Kenedy County GCD to consider and negotiate investments with Texas Class.

8. Update on Proposed GCD Building

Leo Villarreal reported that Mr. Meyer is willing to exchange his property with the county for contiguous properties owned by Pedro Salinas family, the Kenedy Memorial Foundation and the Kenedy Charitable Trust. Villarreal and Judge Burns will be reaching out to the Salinas family on this matter.

No vote was needed and none was taken.

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

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

Verl Cash moved and Esteban Lopez seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to hold the next regular meeting at 9:00 AM on March 20, 2024 in Sarita, TX.

10. Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills for February, 2024

Edward Bordovsky presented to the Directors the bills for February, 2024 for consideration and payment.

Verl Cash moved and Sonny Burns seconded the motion; the motion passed unanimously to pay the bills for February, 2024 as presented.

AGENDA
KENEDY COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Kenedy County Courthouse Courtroom, Sarita, TX
March 20, 2024-9:00 AM

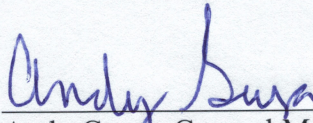
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 - h. GMA-16 meeting; March 26, 2024
 - i. News articles
 - j. Other
5. Discuss & Act to Proceed With Amendments to District Rules
6. Update on Proposed GCD Building
7. Discuss & Act on Date for Next Regular Meeting
8. Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills for March, 2024
9. Adjournment

FILED FOR RECORD
AT 8:30 O'CLOCK AM

MAR 15 2024

VERONICA VELA
DISTRICT CLERK KENEDY COUNTY
BY AB DEPUTY

Posted: March 15, 2024 at 8:30 a.m.



Andy Garza, General Manager

At any time during the meeting and compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Gov't Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District's Board of Directors may meet in executive session on any of the above agenda items or other lawful items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (Sec. 551.071); deliberation regarding real property (Sec. 551.072); deliberation regarding prospective gift (Sec. 551.073); personnel matters (Sec. 551.074) and deliberation regarding security devices (Sec. 551.076). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during an open meeting.



Andy Garza

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Open Meeting Submission

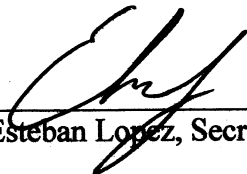
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Status: Accepted
Agency Id: 1103
Date of Submission: 03/15/2024
Agency Name: Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District
Board: Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District
Committee: Board of Directors
Date of Meeting: 03/20/2024
Time of Meeting: 09:00 AM (##:## AM Local Time)
Street Location: 151 N. Mallory
City: Sarita
State: TX
Liaison Name: Andy Garza
Liaison Id: 1
Additional Information Obtained From: Andy Garza

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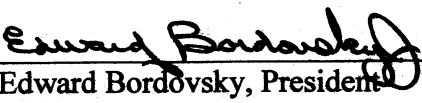
11. Adjournment

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 10.08.



Esteban Lopez, Secretary

ATTESTED TO:



Edward Bordovsky, President