

Item 6 | Resumption of In-Person District Meetings & Hearings

At the end of the May 13, 2021 board meeting, there was a discussion about when the District might possibly resume in-person board meetings and hearings. This was not an item on the agenda resulting in no decision being made.

Stephen Cast placed an item on the June 10, 2021 board agenda allowing for discussion and possible action of resuming in-person board meetings and hearings. This is an actionable item for board consideration.



June 8, 2021

Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District
112 W 3rd Street
Hearne, Tx 77859

Re: Returning of the Brazos Valley Groundwater Meetings to In-Person

Dear Board Members of the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District,

I would like to start off by thanking all of you for your time, and efforts. On behalf of Robertson County, I would like to respectfully inquire that the board meetings of the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District be returned to in-person instead of on Zoom.

We do understand that you all have this item for discussion on your upcoming meeting's agenda. To add to the previous statement, it is understood the original reasons for the Zoom meetings were to attempt to alleviate Covid-related issues. However, in hopes of the direct contact meetings being reinstated, tax payers of the county are asking for this to come into effect. Reasons for these inquiries include (but are not limited to): people not having access to the technology, or a lack of understanding for the technology. Furthermore, we believe that the face-to-face interactions will not only create more transparency, but will allow an increased accountability for the deliverer and receiver of the new information of these meetings. Transparency and communication on both sides of these board meetings is an essential key to advancing the trust of the people. So, the proactive nature of in-person meetings would produce a more effective outcome. It is believed that the open meetings would bring more people's attention the board meetings which, in return, would broaden the attendance within the audiences.

The meetings of the Robertson County Commissioner's Court have been in-person for some time now. If the meetings had been conducted in any other manner, I fear our attendance would have been lessened, respectively. It is realized that you all will make the decision this Thursday. No matter the outcome your decision will be respected in full. For clarification, this letter is nothing more than an attempt to find a solution for those who cannot attend the meetings via Zoom. Once again, thank you for your time, and have a blessed day!

Feel free to contact my cell at 979-574-2913, or the office at 979-364-2832. My Email address is ty.rampy@co.robertson.tx.us

Sincerely,

Ty Rampy
County Commissioner of Precinct 1