



Minutes

BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Public Hearing for Comments, Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting

Thursday, July 8, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

Stephen Cast called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Directors present:	Stephen Cast	President
	Pete Brien	Vice-President
	David Stratta	Treasurer
	Jayson Barfknecht	Secretary
	Mark Carrabba	Director
	Gary Mechler	Director
	Linda Pecina	Director
	Chris Zeig	Director
Staff present:	Alan M. Day	General Manager
	Cynthia Lopez	Office Manager
	Megan Haas	Education Coordinator/WRS
	Monique Norman	Attorney
	John Seifert	Hydrologist

Public Hearing for Comments - Proposed Desired Future Conditions for Area Aquifers

Comments received from:

Linda Curtis	Andrew Wier
Sam Martin	Kermit D. Heaton

Public Permit Hearing

Call Permit Hearing to order
Roll call of members present
Declare a Quorum

2. Discussion and possible action on the following **Operating Permit Applications:**

- **One (1) existing well for Vince Mancuso - Well #1 (BVOP-0315)** – Located at: N 31.036770° W 96.332653° 0.93 miles W of the intersection of Cobb Branch Road and FM 1940 in Robertson County for Agricultural use. The well produces from the Queen City Aquifer. **A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to approve the existing well for Vince Mancuso as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.**
- **One (1) existing well for Midwest Poultry Services, LP – Well #4 (BVOP-0316)** – Located at: N 30.802387° W 96.245903° 0.36 miles NE of the intersection of Fickey Road and E US Hwy 21 in Brazos County. The well produces from the Sparta Aquifer. **A motion was made by Jayson Barfknecht, second by David Stratta to approve the existing well for Midwest Poultry Services, LP as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.**

3. Adjourn Permit Hearing

Regular Board Meeting

Call meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment

a) Non-agenda items – No comments

b) Agenda items – No comments

1. Discussion and possible action on the Minutes of the June 10, 2021 Public Permit Hearing for Comments on Proposed 2021 Desired Future Conditions, Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting. **A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Gary Mechler to approve the Minutes of the June 10, 2021 Public Permit Hearing for Comments on Proposed 2021 Desired Future Conditions, Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
2. Review, discussion, and ratification of invoices paid for services rendered for the month of June 2021. **A motion was made by Jayson Barfknecht, second by Mark Carrabba to approve the ratification of invoices paid for services rendered for the month of June 2021. The motion passed 7-1 with David Stratta opposing.**
3. Financial Report – June 2021 **A motion was made by Mark Carrabba, second by Pete Brien to approve the Financial Reports for the month of June 2021 as presented. The motion passed 7-1 with David Stratta opposing.**
4. Discussion and possible action amending budgeted expenditures within the 2020 District budget including Salaries/Benefits & Other Expenses. **A motion was made by Chris Zeig, second by Pete Brien to approve amending the budgeted expenditures within the 2020 District Operating budget as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.**
5. Presentation of the 2020 Audit by Russell Armagost CPA from Milberger, Nesbitt, and Ask, LLP. **Russell Armagost gave the Board a report on the 2020 District Financial Audit.**
6. Discussion and possible action on the adoption of the 2020 District Audit. **A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Gary Mechler to approve the adoption of the 2020 District Financial Audit as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.**
7. Discussion and possible action on amending the 2021 District budget relating to well plugging expenditures. **A motion was made by Linda Pecina, second by Jayson Barfknecht to amend the 2021 District Operating budget adding \$10,000.00 to water well plugging expenditures as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.**
8. Presentation of the hydrological effect of pumping on artesian water levels in the Simsboro, Carrizo, and Sparta aquifers. **John Seifert, Hydrologist gave the Board a presentation.**

9. Discussion and possible action relating to comments received addressing the proposed 2021 Desired Future Conditions for the Sparta, Queen City, Carrizzo, Calvert Bluff, Simsboro, Hooper, Yegua-Jackson, and Brazos River Alluvium aquifers. **No action taken.**
10. General Manager's Report, **Alan Day, General Manager gave an update to the Board on the reports listed below.**
 - a) Drought Monitor Report
 - b) Wells permitted pursuant to District Rule 8.3(j)
 - c) GMA 12 DFC Update
 - d) District Business & Activities
 - e) Management Plan Update
11. Discussion and possible future agenda items.
12. Adjourn @ 4:05 p.m.

Signed this 5th day of August 2021

Jayson Barfknecht, Secretary

The Board of Directors may meet in closed session, pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §§ 551.071-551.076, to:

- (1) consult with attorney ;
- (2) deliberate regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the District in negotiations with a third person;
- (3) deliberate a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the District if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the District in negotiations with a third person;
- (4) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a Board member or District employee;
- (5) to receive information from employees or question employees, but not deliberate public business or agency policy that affects public business; and
- (6) to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices.

The Board may also meet in open session on these matters as required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code § 551.102.

**** Agenda items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the Board Chairman**