

Minutes

BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting Thursday, September 9, 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

Absent: Chris Zeig Director

Staff present: Alan M. Day General Manager

Megan Haas Education Coordinator/WRS

Monique Norman Attorney John Seifert Hydrologist

Public Permit Hearing

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

- 2. Discussion and possible action on the following Drilling/Operating Permit Applications:
- One (1) new well for Wellborn Special Utility District Well #6 (BVDO-0284) Located at:
 N 30.756410° W 96.478019° 0.44 miles NNE of the intersection of Old Hearne Road and Bowman Henry Road in Robertson County for Rural Public Water Supply use. Applicant seeks a permit to produce 1,974 acre feet/year from the Siimsboro Aquifer. A motion was made by Jayson Barfknecht, second by David Stratta to approve the Drilling/Operating Permit application for one (1) new well as presented to the Board for Wellborn SUD at 1,974 acre feet/year from the Simsboro Aquifer. The motion passed unanimously.
- One (1) new well for Wellborn Special Utility District Well #7 (BVDO-0285) Located at:
 N 30.751705° W 96.475443° 0.40 miles E of the intersection of Old Hearne Road and Bowman Henry Road in Robertson County for Rural Public Water Supply use. Applicant seeks a permit to produce 2,139 acre feet/year from the Siimsboro Aquifer. A motion was made by Jayson Barfknecht, second by David Stratta to approve the Drilling/Operating Permit application for one (1) new well as presented to the Board for Wellborn SUD at 2,139 acre feet/year from the Simsboro Aquifer. 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 August 5, 2021 Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting. A motion was made by Mark Carrabba, second by Pete Brien to approve the minutes of the August 5, 2021 Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.
- Review, discussion, and ratification of invoices paid for services rendered for the month of August 2021.
 A motion was made by Linda Pecina, second by Gary Mechler to approve the ratification of invoices paid for services rendered for the month of August 2021. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Financial Report August 2021 A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Mark Carrabba to approve the Financial Report for August 2021 as presented. The motion passed 6-1 with David Stratta opposing.
- 4. Discussion and possible action on the re-adoption the District Water Conservation Plan following board review. A motion was made by Jayson Barfknecht, second by Mark Carrabba to approve the readoption of the District Water Conservation Plan as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Discussion and possible action on the re-adoption the District Drought Contingency Plan following board review. A motion was made by Gary Mechler, second by Linda Pecina to approve the District Drought Contingency Plan as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Update and discussion on recommendations by District staff relating to the educational budget for FY 2022 District Operating budget. **No action taken.**
- 7. Discussion and possible action on suggestion(s) for a District "Groundwater Conservationist of the Year" recipient. **No action taken.**
- 8. Discussion of recommendations by the Grant Committee relating to the FY 2022 District Operating budget. **No action taken.**
- 9. Discussion and possible action on recommendations from the Personnel Committee relating to FY2022 contracted services and budgetary needs. A motion was made by Mark Carrabba, second by Jayson Barfknecht to approve the FY2022 contracted services and budgetary needs as presented. The motion passed 6-1 with David Stratta opposing.

- 10. Executive Session: Texas Government Code 551.071 To discuss with legal counsel the development and adoption of the desired future conditions for Groundwater Management Area 12 for the Sparta, Queen City, Carrizo, Calvert Bluff, Simsboro, Hooper, Yegua-Jackson, and Brazos River Alluvium aquifers, including but not limited to public comments.
- Discussion and possible action regarding the development and adoption of the desired future conditions for Groundwater Management Area 12 for the Sparta, Queen City, Carrizo, Calvert Bluff, Simsboro, Hooper, Yegua-Jackson, and Brazos River Alluvium aquifers, including but not limited to public comments. A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brian to provide the summary of comments received by the District as revised relating to the desired future conditions for Groundwater Management Area 12 for the Sparta, Queen City, Carrizo, Calvert Bluff, Simsboro, Hooper, Yegua-Jackson, and Brazos River Alluvium aquifers. The motion passed unanimously.
- 12. 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
- 13. Discussion and possible future agenda items.
- 14. Adjourn @ 3:45

Signed this 14th day of October 2021

Jayson Barfknecht, Secretary

The Bo 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