

# Minutes

# BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Carter's Creek Wastewater Training Facility 2200 North Forest Parkway College Station, TX 77845

Public Rules Hearing and Regular Board Meeting Thursday, August 10, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

Vice-President, Mark J. Carrabba, called the Public Rules Hearing and Regular Board Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Directors present: Mark J. Carrabba Vice-President

David Stratta Secretary
Stephen Cast Treasurer
Pete Brien Director
Bryan F. Russ, Jr. Director
Jayson Barfknecht
Bill L. Harris Director

Absent: Jan A. Roe President

Staff present: Alan M. Day General Manager

Monique Norman Attorney

Cynthia Lopez Office Manager

Megan Haas Ed. Coordinator / Water Resource Specialist

## **Public Rules Hearing**

Call Public Rules Hearing to order Declare quorum present Public Comment

- a) Non-agenda items
- b) Agenda items

## Discussion and Possible action on:

The proposed District Rule amendments relate to: deadlines pertaining to desired future conditions, the production based acreage rule and related definitions, the applicability of spacing requirements, and permit application requirements. A motion was made by David Stratta to table, motion failed for lack of a second. A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Jayson Barfknecht to approve the Rule as presented with the provision Bryan F. Russ, Jr. will further research the issue regarding legal authority 8.4(b)(3). The motion passed with a 5-2 vote: against, Bryan F. Russ, Jr. and David Stratta.

### **Regular Board Meeting**

Pledge of Allegiance Public Comment

- a) Non-agenda items
- b) Agenda items
- Discussion and possible action on the Minutes from the July 13, 2017 Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting. A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to approve the Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board meeting minutes for July 13, 2017 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- Review and authorization of payments made for services rendered for the month of July 2017. A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Jayson Barfknecht, to approve expense payments made for July 2017 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Financial Report. A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Pete Brien, to approve the financial report as presented for the month of July 2017. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Discussion and possible action on the following Operating Permit Amendment Applications:
  - One (1) existing well for Frank DeStefano Front Well (BVDO-0217) located at N 30.737850° W 96.576650° 0.73 miles WNW of the intersection of FM 50 and Mumford Road in Robertson County for Agricultural use. Permit holder seeks to amend the existing permit lengthening the permit term from one (1) year to five (5) years. The well produces from the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer.
  - One (1) existing well for Carey D. Smith Well #1 (BVDO-0215) located at N 30.682296° W 96.424667° 0.18 miles W of the intersection of FM 2818 and FM 1687 in Brazos County for Industrial use. Permit holder seeks to amend the existing permit lengthening the permit term from one (1) year to five (5) years. The well produces from the Sparta Aquifer. A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Bill Harris to approve the application amendments for Frank DeStefano and Carey D. Smith as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Discussion and possible action on recommendation(s) by the Grant Committee including a grant proposal received from the Brazos and Robertson counties Soil & Water Conservation Districts. A motion was made by Stephen Cast, second by Pete Brien to approve \$8,200 in grant funding for the Brazos and Robertson counties Soil & Water Conservation. The motion passed unanimously.
- Discussion and possible action on amending budgeted expenditures for the Grant Program within the 2017 District budget. A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Jayson Barfkencht to approve amending the 2017 District budget expenditure for the grant program. The motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Discussion and possible action on the review and re-adoption of the District Investment Policy. A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to approve the re-adoption of the District Investment Policy. The motion passed unanimously.
- 8. Executive session: Texas Government Code 551.071 To discuss the BVGRA/Fazzino Complaint filed against The City of Bryan Operating Permit BVDO-0003.

- 9. Discussion and possible action on matters relating to the BVGRA/Fazzino Complaint filed against The City of Bryan Operating Permit BVDO-0003. **No action on this agenda item.**
- 10. General Manager's Report
  - a) Drought Monitor Report
  - b) Monitoring Well Report
  - c) Wells permitted pursuant to District Rule 8.3(j)
  - d) District Business/Activities
  - e) Management Plan Update

Alan Day, general manager and Megan Haas, Education Coordinator/ Water Resource Specialist presented the Board with reports listed above.

- 11. Discussion and possible future agenda items.
- 12. Adjournment.

Signed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

David Stratta, 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;
- 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