



Minutes
BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, April 11, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.

Jayson Barfknecht, President called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

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| Directors present: | Jayson Barfknecht | President |
| | Gary Mechler | Vice-President |
| | Jeff Kennedy | Secretary |
| | Mark Carrabba | Director |
| | Stephen Cast | Director |
| | John Elliott | Director |
| | Lisa Rolke | Director |

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| Absent: | Chris Zeig | Treasurer |
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| Staff present: | Alan M. Day | General Manager |
| | Cynthia Lopez | Office Manager |
| | Megan Lamb | Education Coordinator |
| | Monique Norman | Attorney |
| | James Beach | Hydrologist |
| | Chris Drabek | Hydrologist |

Public Permit Hearing

Call Permit Hearing to order
Roll call of members present

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

• **One (1) existing Operating permit for Circle X South Cooley, LLC**

Well #3 – **(BVOP-0001)** Located at: N 31.20532096° W 96.32030505° 2.79 miles NNE of the intersection of Wheel Corner Road and Holly Cemetery Road in Robertson County. Total maximum annual production from the water well will be 420 ac-ft/yr at a maximum rate of 300 gpm for Agricultural, Commercial, and Industrial uses. The well produces from the Calvert Bluff Aquifer. Permittee seeks amendments to the permit adding Industrial and Commercial beneficial uses and increasing total maximum annual production from 110 ac-ft/year to 420 ac-ft/year at a maximum rate not to exceed 300 gpm. **A motion was made by Lisa Rolke, second by Stephen Cast to approve amending Operating permit BVOP-0001 for Circle X South Cooley, LLC increasing annual production to 420 ac-ft/yr at a maximum rate of 300 gpm and adding Commercial and Industrial uses. The well produces from the Calvert Bluff aquifer. The motion passed unanimously.**

3. Adjourn Permit Hearing

Regular Board Meeting

Call meeting to order
Pledge of Allegiance
Declare quorum present
Public Comment

- a) Non-agenda items – **No comments received**
- b) Agenda items – **No comments received**

1. Discussion and possible action on the minutes of the March 14, 2024 Permit Hearing & Regular Board Meeting. **A motion was made by Mark Carrabba, second by John Elliott to approve the minutes for March 14, 2024 as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.**
2. Financial Report – March 2024 **A motion was made by John Elliott, second by Lisa Rolke to approve the Financial Report for the month of March 2024 as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.**
3. Presentation by Mark Nickels updating the Board on progress related to the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer groundwater/surface water interaction study sponsored by the Brazos Valley GCD and being conducted by Baylor University. **Mark Nickels updated the Board with a presentation related to groundwater/surface water interaction study of the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer being conducted by Baylor University.**
4. Executive Session: Texas Government Code 551.071 – To receive attorney client privilege information regarding pending transport permit applications for groundwater from the Simsboro Aquifer.
5. Discussion and possible action on processing of pending transport permit applications for groundwater from the Simsboro Aquifer. **No action taken.**
6. General Manager's Report, **Alan Day, General Manager, gave the Board a brief update on the items listed below.**
 - a) Drought Monitor Report
 - b) Wells permitted pursuant to District Rule 8.3(j)
 - c) Simsboro Mitigation Management Zone Update
 - d) GMA 12 DFC Update
 - e) District Business & Activities
 - f) Management Plan Update
7. Discussion and possible future agenda items.
8. Adjourn

Signed this 16th day of May 2024

Jeff Kennedy, 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**