



**Minutes**  
**BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**112 W. 3<sup>rd</sup> Street**  
**Hearne, Texas 77859**

**Thursday, March 14, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.**

**Mark Carrabba, called the Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.**

Directors present:	Mark Carrabba	Vice-President
	Linda Pecina	Secretary
	Stephen Cast	Treasurer
	Jayson Barfknecht	Director
	Pete Brien	Director
	Bill L. Harris	Director
	David Stratta	Director
Absent:	Jan Roe	President
Staff present:	Alan M. Day	General Manager
	Cynthia Lopez	Office Manager
	Monique Norman	Attorney

**Public Permit Hearing**

Call Permit Hearing to order  
Roll call of members present  
Public Comment

- a) Non-agenda items – **No comments from the public**
- b) Agenda items (1) – **No comments from the public**

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

- **One (1) existing well for Carey D. Smith:**

**Well #4 (BVDO-0240)** - Located at: N 30.69727313° W 96.27650040° 0.89 miles E of the intersection of FM 1179 and Steep Hollow Road in Brazos County. 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 Yegua-Jackson Aquifer.

- **One (1) existing well for Tom Turner:**

**Well #1 (BVDO-0247)** - Located at: N 31.019781° W 96.611797° 0.95 miles SE of the intersection of FM 979 and Hunter Road in Robertson County. 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 Simsboro Aquifer.

**A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Pete Brien to approve the Operating Permit Amendments for Carey D. Smith and Tom Turner from one year (1) to five (5) years as presented. The motion was 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

b) Agenda items, Item 6 - John Melvin, BVGRA

1. Discussion and possible action on the Minutes from the February 14, 2019 Regular Board Meeting. **A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Jayson Barfknecht to approve the Minutes from the February 14, 2019 Regular Board Meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
2. Review and authorization of payments made for services rendered for the month of February, 2019. **A motion was made by Jayson Barfknecht, second by Pete Brien to approve the authorization of payments made for services rendered for the month of February 2019. The motion passed unanimously.**
3. Financial Report. **A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Jayson Barfknecht to approve the financial reports for the month of February 2019 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
4. Discussion and possible action regarding enforcement for Mr. Richard Watson not reporting 2018 water production information to the District relating to Operating permit BVDO-0115. **No action on this agenda item.**
5. Discussion and possible action on a request by the Lower Colorado River Authority for financial assistance on a groundwater/surface interaction study being conducted on behalf of the Texas Water Development Board. **No action on this agenda item.**
6. Discussion and possible action on a resolution to adopt the revised District Management Plan prepared for the Texas Water Development Board and required under Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code. **A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Jayson Barfknecht to adopt the District Management Plan as presented and including changes discussed during the meeting for final approval. The motion passed unanimously.**
7. Discussion and possible action on developing Board positions on legislation filed during the 86<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session with potential impact on the District.

### **HB 2122/SB 2026**

A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Jayson Barfknecht to remain neutral. The motion passed unanimously.

### **HB 2249**

A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to oppose HB 2249. The motion was passed with Jayson Barfknecht and Stephen Cast opposing.

### **HB 2123**

A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Jayson Barfknecht to remain neutral but engaged to improve. The motion was amended by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to allow Alan Day to change to oppose, if necessary. The motion passed unanimously.

**SB 851**

A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to support SB51. The motion failed with a 5 – 2 vote with only Stratta and Brien voting in favor.

**HB 2125**

A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien, to remain neutral but stay strongly/fully engaged on both HB 2125 and SB 851. The motion passed unanimously.

**HB 3998**

A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Jayson Barfknecht to oppose HB 3998. The motion passed unanimously.

**SB 1010**

A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to remain neutral but allow Alan Day the authority to work on improving SB 1010 language. The motion passed unanimously.

**SB 2027**

A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Jayson Barfknecht to oppose SB 2027. The motion passed on a 6-1 vote with David Stratta opposing.

**HB 4570**

A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Jayson Barfknecht to support HB 4570. The motion passed unanimously.

8. General Manager's Report

- Drought Monitor Report
- Wells permitted pursuant to District Rule 8.3(j)
- GMA 12 Regional Water Planning Update
- District Activities
- Management Plan Update

**Alan Day, General Manager provided the Board with a brief report on the listing above.**

9. Discussion and possible future agenda items.

10. Adjourn

Signed this 17<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019

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**Linda Pecina, 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**