

Minutes

BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 112 W 3rd Street Hearne, TX 77859

Regular Board Meeting Thursday, January 15, 2015 at 3:00 p.m.

President, Bryan F. Russ, Jr., called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Directors present: Pete Brien, President

Bill L. Harris, Vice-President
David Stratta, Secretary
Mark J. Carrabba, Treasurer
Tom McDonald, Director
Bryan F. Russ, Jr., Director
Jan A. Roe, Director
Kent Watson, Director

Staff present: Alan M. Day, General Manager

Monique Norman, Attorney

Cynthia Lopez, Office Manager Carlos Rodriquez, Field Technician

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

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

The Honorable Judge Duane Peters administered the Oath of Office to newly appointed Director Jan A. Roe, representing Robertson County Industrial, and the re-appointment of Bryan F. Russ, Jr., Pete Brien, Bill L. Harris, and Mark J. Carrabba.

- 1. Nominating committee report. **No report**
- 2. Election of officers for the 2015 calendar year as required by District by-laws.

Officers to be elected include: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer.

Chairman Bryan F. Russ, Jr., took nominations from the floor, in accordance with the District Bylaws. Kent Watson, nominated Bill L. Harris for President, David Stratta as vice president, Pete Brien as Secretary, and Mark J. Carrabba as treasurer. A four (4) four (4) vote failed. Chairman Bryan F. Russ, Jr., proceeded with nominations from the floor. David Stratta nominated, Pete Brien, president, Mark J. Carraba, vice president, Bill Harris treasurer, and himself as secretary. A four (4) four (4) vote failed. Chairman Bryan F. Russ, Jr., preceded to take nominations from the floor for President. Kent Watson, nominated Bill L. Harris for president, vote failed. Mark J. Carrabba nominated Pete Brien as president, vote passed.

Pete Brien, President, opened nominations for Vice President. Mark J. Carrabba nominated Bill L. Harris for Vice-President, vote passed. Mark J. Carrabba nominated David Stratta for Secretary, vote passed. Mark J. Carraba nominated Jan A. Roe for treasurer, vote failed. Mark J. Carrabba and Jan A. Roe were nominated for treasurer, vote passed with Mark J. Carrabba serving as Treasurer.

Election of officers for the 2015 calendar year,

- Pete Brien, President
- Bill L. Harris, Vice-President
- David Stratta, Secretary
- Mark J. Carrabba, Treasurer
- Discussion and possible action on the Minutes from the November 13, 2014 Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting. A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Bryan F. Russ, Jr., to approve the November 13, 2014 Minutes. The motion passed with Jan A. Roe abstaining.
- 4. Review and authorization of payments made for services rendered for the months of November and December 2014. A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Bill L. Harris to approve the authorization of payments for the months of November and December 2014. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Financial Reports. A motion was made by Bryan F. Russ, Jr., second by David Stratta to accept the Financial Reports as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. Discussion and possible action on draft language regarding compensation of the District's directors under the District's enabling legislation and Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code. A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Bryan F. Russ, Jr., to approve the draft language limiting the compensation to a Board member to not more than \$10/meeting and an annual limit not to exceed \$150/year. The motion passed unanimously.
- 7. 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 David Stratta, second by Bryan F. Russ, Jr., to send the Management Plan back to the committee for substantive changes. A vote was taken the motion failed.

After lengthy discussion a second motion was made by motion Tom McDonald, second by Bill L. Harris to adopt the resolution and the Management with non-substantive suggested by Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). The motion failed.

A third motion was made by David Stratta, seconded by Bryan F. Russ to adopt the plan with two changes, #1 beneficial use will be left as it appears in the 2010 management plan, #2 remove wording that requires mandatory spot-checking of meters. The vote 7 to 1 with Kent Watson opposing.

A motion was made by Jan A. Roe, second by Kent Watson to adopt the resolution approving the changed Management Plan as proposed, contingent upon approval by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). The motion passed.

8. Discussion and possible action on a proposal from LBG-Guyton for a District specific groundwater model of aquifers within the District. A motion was made by Bryan F. Russ, Jr., second by Mark J. Carrabba to approve and accept the proposal from LBG-Guyton. The motion passed unanimously.

- 9. Discussion and possible action on District funding of a revised Central Queen City-Sparta/Carrizo Wilcox Groundwater Availability Model proposed by the Texas Water Development Board. A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by David Stratta to authorize up to a \$100,000 (hundred thousand dollars) for a Groundwater Availability Model proposed by the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB). The motion passed with Bryan F. Russ, Jr., opposing.
- 10. Discussion on the possible use of both a shallow and overall Desired Future Conditions for all District aquifers during the 2016 GMA planning process. **No action taken.**
- 11. Presentation by Dave Coleman, City of College Station, of the final report on the Direct Potable Reuse study compiled by Alan Plummer Associates for the Texas Water Development Board. (see attached presentation by Dave Coleman).
- 12. Discussion and possible action on a recommended procedure to address new wells and drilled or existing well refurbishments that are not permitted or registered by the District. A motion was made by Kent Watson, second by Bryan F. Russ, Jr., for the new chairman to appoint a committee to make a recommendation on a procedure and have on the agenda for the next board meeting to take action. The motion passed unanimously. Pete Brien, Chairman appointed a committee, Kent Watson, David Stratta, and Jan A. Roe.
- 13. Closed Session: Government Code 551.071 The Board will meet in a closed session pursuant to the Texas Government Code to receive attorney-client privileged information regarding the desired future conditions process of Groundwater Management Area 12, including projected groundwater projects within the GMA, and related matters. **No action taken.**
- 14. Discussion and possible action on the desired future conditions process of Groundwater Management Area 12, including projected groundwater projects within the GMA, and related matters. **No action taken.**
- 15. General Manager's Report
 - Drought Monitor Report
 - Well Monitoring Report
 - Wells permitted pursuant to District Rule 8.3(j)
 - District Activities
 - Management Plan Update

Alan M. Day presented the Board with the General Manager's monthly report. (see attached reports). Carlos Rodriguez, presented the Board with the Well Monitoring Report for the month of November and December 2014, For the month of November 112 were monitored and the month of December 109 wells monitored. John Seifert presented the Board with the aquifers status report.

16. Committee Assignments by President of the Board

Chairman Pete Brien will work on the future standing committees.

17. Discussion and possible future agenda items.

18. Director Kent Watson moved to adjourn, second by Bryan F. Russ, Jr., adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

| Signed this 12 th , day of February | , 2015 |
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| 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;
- (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