



Minutes

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

Regular Board Meeting Thursday, March 9, 2017 at 2:00 p.m.

President, Jan A. Roe called the Board Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Directors present:	Jan A. Roe	President
	Mark J. Carrabba	Vice-President
	David Stratta	Secretary
	Stephen Cast	Treasurer
	Jayson Barfknecht	Director
	Pete Brien	Director
	Bill L. Harris	Director
Absent:	Bryan F. Russ, Jr.	Director
Staff present:	Alan M. Day	General Manager
	Monique Norman	Attorney
	Cynthia Lopez	Office Manager
	Megan Haas	Ed. Coordinator / Water Resource Specialist

Call meeting to order

Pledge of Allegiance

Declare quorum present

Public Comment

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

1. Discussion and possible action on the Minutes from the February 9, 2017 Public Permit Hearing/ Regular Board Meeting. **A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Mark J. Carrabba to approve the Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board meeting minutes for February 9, 2017 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
2. Review and authorization of payments made for services rendered for the month of February, 2017. **A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Pete Brien to approve the authorization of payments made for February 2017 as presented. The motion passes unanimously.**
3. Financial Report. **A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Bill L. Harris to approve the financial reports as presented with a correction to the Budget Expenditures report, February 2017 year to date income column. The motion passed unanimously.**

4. Presentation by John Seifert of the average artesian head change for each aquifer and comparison of the average artesian head change for each aquifer with the DFC for each aquifer. **(Presentation attached)**
5. Discussion and possible action regarding legislation relating to Aquifer Storage and Recovery projects. **No action on this agenda item.**
6. Discussion and possible action on developing Board positions on legislation filed during the 85th Legislative Session with potential impact on the District.

A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Jan A. Roe to allow the General Manager and staff to engage on HB 2377 by Larson. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by David Stratta to support HB 3025 by King, The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by David Stratta, to support HB 3028. The motion failed due to a second. A motion was made by Mark J. Carrabba, second by Bill L. Harris to monitor HB 3028 by Burns. The motion passed with a six (6) to one (1) with David Stratta, opposing.

A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to strongly engage HB 3037 by Workman. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Mark J. Carrabba to strongly engage HB 3038 by Workman. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Mark J. Carrabba to strongly engage HB 3033 by Workman. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mark J. Carrabba, second by Pete Brien to strongly engage with emphasis on staying the same, alternatively to permissive language, on SB 862 by Perry. The motion passed with a six (6) to one (1) with David Stratta, opposing.

A motion was made by Jan A. Roe, second by Bill L. Harris to oppose SB 1053 by Perry. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion made by Jan A. Roe, second by Bill L. Harris to strongly engage in support on SB 1009 by Perry, monitor HB 3497 by Keough, engage HB 3417 by King, Tracy O., monitor HB 3084 by Keough as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Mark J. Carrabba, second by Pete Brien to monitor SB 1392 by Perry. The motion passed.

A motion was made by Jan Roe, second by David Stratta to authorize Alan Day, General Manager, to protect or engage in any committees or any discussion that protect our rules or at least support our rules as they are written, not to take position, but to have discussion. The motion passed with Mark Carrabba, opposing, and Bill L. Harris abstaining.

A motion was made by Stephen Cast, second by David Stratta to oppose SB 1175 by Hinojosa. The motion passed unanimously.

7. Executive session: Texas Government Code 551.071 - To discuss a complaint filed against The City of Bryan Operating Permit BVDO-0003. **Executive Session at 4:07 p.m. – 4:32 p.m.**

8. Discussion and possible action on matters relating to a complaint filed against The City of Bryan Operating Permit BVDO-0003. **No action on this agenda item.**
9. 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 Day, General Manager gave an update to the Board members on the reports listed. Megan Haas, Education Coordinator / Water Resource Specialist gave the Board an update on the observation of wells in Brazos and Robertson counties.

10. Discussion and possible future agenda items.
11. Adjournment.

Signed this 13th day of April, 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;
- (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**