

MINUTES

BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting Thursday, September 9, 2010

Brazos County Administration Building 200 South Texas Avenue, Suite 106 Bryan, TX 77803

 Call meeting to order Board Chairman Pete Brien called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Directors present:

Pete Brien.

Chairman

Tom McDonald,

Vice Chairman

Steve Beachy, John Hicks, Secretary Treasurer

Dan Kyle,

Director Director

David Stratta, Kent Watson,

Director

Wayne Wilson,

Director

Staff present:

Ralph Crum,

General Manager

Monique Norman,

Attorney

- 2. Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. Discussion and possible action on the Minutes from the July 15, 2010
 Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting and the Minutes from August 24, 2010
 Public Hearing and Board Meeting. A motion was made by Tom McDonald, second by
 Steve Beachy, to approve the Minutes from the July 15, 2010 Public Hearing and Regular
 Board Meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Kent Watson, second by John Hicks, to approve the Minutes from the August 24, 2010 Public Hearing and Board meeting as presented, with the correction noted by Director Beachy. The motion carried unanimously.

- 4. Review and authorization of payments made for services rendered during the months of July and August 2010. A motion was made by Wayne Wilson, second by John Hicks, to approve the expenses for the month of July and August 2010 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Presentation by Russell Armagost of Durst, Millburger and Ask, LLP, and discussion and possible action on the Audit findings for Fiscal Year 2009. A motion was made by John Hicks, second by Wayne Wilson to accept the Audit as presented. The

motion carried unanimously. Additionally, Director Watson stated that he felt the District's Financial Officer and staff should take Public Funds Investment training and become certified to act in behalf of the District. General Manager Crum will identify the next available courses and schedule accordingly for himself and Treasurer, Director Hicks.

- Discussion and possible action on approval of the proposed rule amendment to Rule 8.3(h). Addressing the metering of wells and the secondary reuse of groundwater produced by Texas Railroad Commission permits. A motion was made by John Hicks, second by Wayne Wilson to adopt the Rule 8.3(h) as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- 7. Update by the Public Awareness and Education Initiative Committee Chairman, and discussion and possible action by the Board on potential education initiatives. No action taken, Committee will give an update once additional information is available.
- 8. Discussion and possible action on requesting a list of landowners with Agricultural exemptions from the Robertson and Brazos counties appraisal districts, and using that information to send letters requesting that District landowners provide the number of irrigated acres and the type of irrigated crops grown. The information may be forwarded to the Texas Water Development Board to supplement data on irrigated acreage within the District.

Chairman Pete Brien appointed a committee to review agenda item #8. Appointed committee members are: David Stratta, as Chair, Dan Kyle, Kent Watson and Wayne Wilson.

9. Discussion and possible action on Investment of District funds in a CD with a banking institution in Brazos County. A motion was made by Steve Beachy, second by Wayne Wilson to authorize the Treasurer to secure the best interest rate available for the District's CD. The motion carried unanimously.

10. General Managers Report

- Financial Reports
- Medical Premium Increase
- Palmer Drought Index Status and Map
- Number of Wells Monitored in August
- GMA-12 and GMA 14 Update

General Manager Crum presented the Board with the financial reports for the months of August and September. He then gave updates on the medical premium increase of \$1,067.70 per year, the PDSI level of 3, and number of wells monitored (12), and a brief update on GMA's 12 and 14.

11. Legal Report:

Ms. Norman had nothing to report.

12. Hear Visitors

Jason Barfknecht, City of Bryan informed the Board that the City of Bryan has a Water Committee made up of three (3) council members and he wanted to introduce the two (2) council members present and hopefully they would have some time to meet these two gentlemen and get acquainted with them.

Richard M. Cortez, Sr., Council member, representing Single Member District 1 Chuck Konderla, Council member, representing Single Member District 3

13. Adjourn Meeting @ at 4:03 p.m.

Signed this 7th, day of October, 2010

The Board of Directors may meet in closed session, pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §§ 551.071-551.076, to:

consult with attorney; (1)

deliberate regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on (2) 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 (3) on the position of the District in negotiations with a third person;

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

to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices. (6)

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