

Minutes

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

Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting Thursday, March 14, 2013, at 3:00 p.m.

Board Chairman Bryan F. Russ, Jr., called the Public Permit Hearing meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Directors present:

Bryan F. Russ, Jr.,

President

Tom McDonald,

Vice-President

David Stratta, Kent Watson, Secretary Treasurer

Pete Brien, Mark Carrabba, Director

Bill L. Harris,

Director Director

Absent:

Stephen A. Boykin

Director

Staff present:

Alan M. Day,

General Manager

Monique Norman,

Attorney

Cynthia Lopez,

Office Manager

Carlos Rodriquez,

Field Operations Manager

Call Permit Hearing to order

Roll call of members present

Public Comment

- a) Non-agenda items
- b) Agenda items (Agenda items 1-2)
- 3. Discussion and possible action on the following Drilling/Operating Permit Applications:
 - One (1) new well for Tony Varisco III. Well #7 will be located at N 30.646784° W 96.546965° 0.95 miles NW of the intersection of Texas Highway 21 and Texas 50 in Brazos County for a total of 135 acre/feet per year for agricultural irrigation use. The well will produce from the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer. A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Bill Harris to approve the application for Tony Varisco III for well #7 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
 - One (1) new well for Anthony L. Scamardo Amels Holdings, LLC. Well #3 will be located at N 30.729871° W 96.584405° 1.19 miles WSW of the intersection of Texas 50 and Foyt Road in Robertson County for a total of 220 acre/feet per year for agricultural irrigation use. The well will produce from the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer. A motion was made by Mark Carrabba, second by David Stratta to approve the application for Anthony L. Scamardo Amels Holding, LLC as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

- 4. Discussion and possible action on the following Operating Permit Applications:
 - One existing wells for Freddie and Susan Ferrara. Well #1 is located at N 30.793144° W 96.594298°. The well is 4.4 miles NNW of Mumford on Texas 50 in Robertson County for a total of 30.4 acre feet per year for agricultural use. The well will produce from the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer.
 - One existing wells for Freddie and Susan Ferrara. Well #2 is located at N 30.785639° W 96.608785°, The well is 4.4 miles NNW of Mumford on Texas 50 in Robertson County for a total of 112 acre feet per year for agricultural use. The well will produce from the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer. A motion was made by Tom McDonald, second by Pete Brien to approve the two (2) operating applications for Freddie and Susan Ferrara for wells # 1 and #2 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
 - One existing well for Trend Gathering and Treating, LLC. Well #1 is located at N 31.284365° W 96.401279° 1.29 miles NE of the intersection of FM 979 and Texas Highway 7 in Robertson County for a total of 2 acre feet per year for industrial use. The well will produce from the Hooper Aquifer. No action taken at this time.
- 5. A motion to adjourn the Permit Hearing, A motion by Kent Watson, second by acclamation to adjourn the Permit Hearing. Adjourned.

Board Chairman Bryan F. Russ, Jr., called the Regular Board meeting to order

Call meeting to order Pledge of Allegiance Roll Call of Board Members **Public Comment** a) Non-agenda items

- b) Agenda items
- 1. Discussion and possible action on the Minutes from the February 14th, 2013 Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board meeting. A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Bill Harris to approve the Minutes for the February 14th, 2013 Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- Review and authorization of payments made for services rendered for the month of February, 2013. A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Kent Watson to approve the authorization of payments made for services rendered for the month of February 2013 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.
- 3. Discussion and possible action on payment of Walraven Book Cover Company, LLC Invoice #211-406-044 in the amount of \$1,422.75 for book covers delivered in 2011 to area school districts. A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Pete Brien for payment approval of invoice #211-406-044 to Walraven Book Cover Company, LLC in the amount of \$1,422.75. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Financial Reports. Alan M. Day, General Manager presented the Financial Reports to the Board of Directors.

- 5. Hydrological Presentation by John Seifert, LBG-Guyton concerning:
 - a. Aquifer recovery status (Sparta and others)
 - b. Water quality trends
 - c. Hydrological trends
 - d. Recharge enhancement
 - e. Simsboro injection well feasibility
 - f. Relevance of the Gulf Coast Aquifer to BVGCD
 - g. Possible update of the GAM used by GMA 12 in DCF determination
 - h. Discussion of the Post Oak Savannah GCD presentation on Alcoa pumping and how it effects BVGC

John Seifert, with LBG-Guyton presented the Board of Directors the Hydrological Presentation. (see attached report)

- Discussion and possible action on BVGCD opting out of the Groundwater Management Area 14
 planning process. A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by Kent Watson to move forward
 on removing the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District (BVGCD) from the GMA 14
 membership.
- 7. Discussion and possible action to study the feasibility of water conservation enhancement projects within the District. No action taken on this agenda item.
- 8. General Manager's Report
 - Drought Monitor Report
 - Well Monitoring Report
 - Direct Potable Research Project Update
 - ArcGIS/Access Database Update
 - (a) Halff Associates
 - (b) District office data entry
 - Legislative Report

General Manager, Alan M. Day, presented the Board with the above reports for the month of February 2013. (See attached reports from the General Manager).

Carlos Rodriguez presented the Board with the 104 wells monitored, a total of sixty (60) wells monitored in Robertson County and forty-four (44) in Brazos County.

- 9. Legal Report
 - Legislative report

Monique Norman, briefed the Board regarding the 15 plus bills that are direct groundwater that could affect the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District.

- 10. Discussion and possible action relating to legislation by the 83rd Texas Legislature that may affect groundwater conservation districts. A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien for Alan M. Day, General Manager be the spokesman for the District to legislators. The motion carried unanimously.
- 11. Discussion of possible future agenda items.
- 12. A motion to adjourn the Regular Board Meeting. A motion was made by David Stratta, to adjourn the meeting, Chairman Bryan Russ, Jr., adjourned!

Signed-this 11th, day of April, 2013

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;

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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;

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