

#### **Minutes**

# BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 112 W 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Hearne, TX 77859

# Regular Board Meeting Thursday, November 13, 2014 at 2:00 p.m.

President, Bryan F. Russ, Jr., called the Workshop, Public Permit 3:00 p.m.

Directors present:

Tom McDonald,

Vice-President

David Stratta,

Secretary

Kent Watson, Pete Brien, Treasurer Director

Bill L. Harris,

Director

Directors Absent:

Stephen A. Boykin,

Director

Mark J. Carrabba,

Director

Staff present:

Alan M. Day,

General Manager

Monique Norman,

Attorney

Cynthia Lopez, Carlos Rodriquez, Office Manager Field Technician

Call meeting to order Declare quorum present Public Comment

- a) Non-agenda items
- b) Agenda items (1)

## Public Permit Hearing

- 2. Discussion and possible action on the following Drilling/Operating Permit Applications:
  - One (1) new well for Robert Smitherman Well #1 will be located at N 30.9958693°
     W 96.3990574° 0.81 miles S of the intersection of Walker Prairie Road and FM 2446 in Robertson County for a total of 30 acre feet per year for Poultry House use. The well will produce from the Carrizo Aquifer.
  - One (1) new well for Robert Smitherman Well #2 will be located at N 30.9953712°
     W 96.3993724° 0.84 miles S of the intersection of Walker Prairie Road and FM 2446 in Robertson County for a total of 30 acre feet per year for Poultry House use. The well will produce from the Carrizo Aquifer.
  - One (1) new well for Robert Smitherman Well #3 will be located at N 30.9945211°
    W 96.4001163° 0.89 miles S of the intersection of Walker Prairie Road and FM 2446 in Robertson County for a total of 30 acre feet per year for Poultry House use. The well will produce from the Carrizo Aquifer. A motion was made by Tom McDonald, second by Bill L. Harris to approve all three (3) Drilling/Operating Permit Applications for Robert Smitherman as presented. The motion passed unanimously.

### 3. Adjourn Permit Hearing

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

- a) Non-agenda items
- b) Agenda items
- Discussion and possible action on the Minutes from the October 9, 2014 Regular Board Meeting.
   A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Tom McDonald to approve the October 9, 2014 Regular Board Minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. Review and authorization of payments made for services rendered for the month of October, 2014. A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Pete Brien to approve the payments rendered for the month of October 2014. The motion passed unanimously.
- Financial Reports. General Manager presented the Board with the Financial reports for October 2014.
- Discussion and possible action on adoption of the 2015 District budget. A motion was made by Pete Brien, second by David Stratta to adopt the 2015 District budget as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 11-13-14.5 to adopt the water production fee schedule for 2015. A motion was made by Tom McDonald, second by Bill L. Harris for the adoption of the resolution that provides for a tiered increase in rates with the 2015 fee schedule. The motion passed with Director Kent Watson abstaining.
- Discussion and possible action on the draft District Management Plan prepared for preapproval by the Texas Water Development Board. A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Tom McDonald for approval of the revised management plan. The motion passed.
- 7. 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 David Stratta, second by to table this agenda item until all board is present. The motion passed with Director Kent Watson abstaining.
- 8. Discussion and possible action on recommendations by the RFP committee for contracting of professional services in 2015. (see attached Personnel/RFP Committee Recommendations)
  - A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Pete Brien to approve the continuing contract with LBG Guyton. The motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Kent Watson, second by Bill L. Harris to adopt and retain Monique Norman for fiscal year 2015 legal services. The motion passed five (5) to one (1). A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Tom McDonald to approve the Halff contract. The motion passed unanimously. A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by Tom McDonald to approve the contact with Milberger & Nesbitt. The motion passed unanimously.
- 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 on this agenda item.

10. 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 on this agenda item.

#### 11. 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 October 2014, one-hundred and fifty-eight (158) wells were measured. Robertson County, fifty-eight (58) and Brazos County, one-hundred (100).

- 12. Discussion and possible future agenda items.
- 13, Adjourn at 5:32 p.m.

Signed this 15th day of January, 2015

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)

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; (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;

(6)

and

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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