



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

**All Board Workshop, Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting  
Thursday, October 8, 2015 at 2:00 p.m.**

President, Pete Brien called the All Board Workshop Meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Directors present:	Pete Brien, Bill Harris, David Stratta, Mark J. Carrabba, Jan A. Roe, Tom McDonald, Kent Watson,	President Vice-President Secretary Treasurer Director Director Director
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Directors Absent:	Bryan F. Russ, Jr.,	Director
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Staff present:	Alan M. Day, Monique Norman, Cynthia Lopez, John Seifert,	General Manager Attorney Office Manager Hydrologist
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Call meeting to order  
Declare quorum present  
Public Comment  
a) Non-agenda items  
b) Agenda items (1)

2. Discussion and possible action of the following **Operating Permit Amendment**

**Applications:**

- **One (1) existing well (BVDO-0158) for Halcon Resources** located at N 30.615115° W 96.427455° 0.20 miles SW of the intersection of Texas Highway 47 and Leonard Road in Brazos County lengthening the permit term to five (5) years for Industrial Use. The well will produce from the Yegua-Jackson Aquifer. **A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Kent Watson to approve the existing permit term to five (5) years for Halcon Resources as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
- **One (1) existing well (BVDO-0198) for Carl Cotropia** located at N 30.797020° W 96.607147° 0.80 miles S of the intersection of FM 50 and Muse Road in Robertson County lengthening the permit term to five (5) years for Agricultural Use. The well will produce from the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer. **A motion was made by Bill L. Harris, second by David Stratta to approve the existing permit term to five (5) years for Carl Cotropia 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

1. Discussion and possible action on the Minutes from the September 10, 2015 Public Permit Hearing/ Regular Board Meeting. **A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Mark J. Carrabba to approve the Minutes from the September 10, 2015 Public Permit Hearing / Regular Board Meeting as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
2. Review and authorization of payments made for services rendered for the month of September, 2015. **A motion was made by Tom McDonald, second by Bill Harris to approve the authorization of payments made for services rendered for the month of September 2015 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
3. Financial Reports. **A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Jan A. Roe to approve the financial reports for the month of September 2015 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
4. Discussion and possible action on entering into an Interlocal Agreement with the Texas Municipal League regarding a Risk Participating Member (Pool) for health insurance coverage. A motion was made by Tom McDonald, second by Bill Harris to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Texas Municipal League for health insurance coverage. **The motion passed unanimously subject to Monique Norman, Attorney reviewing the Interlocal Agreement.**
5. Presentation and discussion of the draft 2015 District budget by the Budget/Finance Committee.
6. Discussion and possible action on Resolution 10-8-15.6 to adopt the water production fee schedule for 2016. **A motion was made by Kent Watson, second by David Stratta to approve the Resolution 10-8-15.6 adoption of the water production fee schedule for 2015 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
7. Discussion and possible action on implementation of rules regarding §36.1132 of the Texas Water Codes addressing permits based on modeled available groundwater and enforcement of adopted desired future conditions including discussion of draft rules regarding a District groundwater conservation credit program and District actions based on aquifer response to pumping. **A motion was made by Mark J. Carrabba, second by David Stratta to authorize Alan M. Day, General Manager to spend up \$15,000.00 on a study to analyze the proposed conservation credit plan. The motion passed unanimously.**
8. Discussion and possible action on recommendations from the Education Committee on suggested revisions to the District Water Conservation Plan. **A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Bill Harris to approve the recommendations from the Education Committee on suggested revision to the District Water Conservation Plan as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
9. Discussion and possible action on recommendations by the RFP subcommittee for contracting of professional services in 2016. **A motion was made by Kent Watson, second by Mark J. Carrabba to approve the recommendations by the RFP subcommittee for contracting of professional services in 2016. The motion passed with six (6) votes for and one (1) opposed (David Stratta).**

10. Discussion and possible action on amending the District Bylaws to include a procedure for reviewing work performed by existing professional service contractors. **A motion was made by Tom McDonald, second by Bill Harris to approve the statement to the District Bylaws to include a procedure for reviewing work performed by existing professional service contractors as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
11. Discussion and possible action on recommendations from the Personnel Committee on revisions to the District Personnel Policy concerning vacation and sick leave. **A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Tom McDonald to approve the changes proposed by the personnel committee. An amendment motion was made by Jan A. Roe, second to the amendment by Kent Watson that at the employee's election that maximum anything above X anything in excess of maximum accrued vacation could be submitted for cash payment or converted to sick time accumulation, and sick time accumulation maximum , maxes out at 240 hours. The amended motion passed unanimously.**
12. Legal Report – Discussion of Petition filed by The City of Conroe v. Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District. **Monique Norman, Attorney presented a brief report to the Board on The City of Conroe v. Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District.**
13. Closed Session: Of the Board to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of District employee Carlos Rodriguez pursuant to Texas Government Code § 55.0714 and to receive attorney-client privileged information from legal counsel. **The Board went into close session.**
14. Discussion and possible action on the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of District employee Carlos Rodriguez. **Alan M. Day, General Manager, stated to the Board that Carlos will no longer be employed with the District and that the District will begin the task of finding a replacement for a field tech position.**
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, General Manager gave the Board a brief report on all the above.**

16. Discussion and possible future agenda items.
17. Adjourn

**Signed this 12<sup>th</sup> day, of November 2015**



**David Stratta, Secretary**

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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**