



Minutes
BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
112 W. 3rd Street
Hearne, Texas 77859
Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 2:00 p.m.

Jan A. Roe, President, called the Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.

Directors present:	Jan A. Roe	President
	Mark Carrabba	Vice-President
	Stephen Cast	Treasurer
	Linda Pecina	Secretary
	Jayson Barfknecht	Director
	Pete Brien	Director
	Bill L. Harris	Director
	David Stratta	Director
Staff present:	Alan M. Day	General Manager
	Cynthia Lopez	Office Manager
	Megan Haas	Education Coordinator
	Monique Norman	Attorney

Public Permit Hearing

Call Permit Hearing to order

Roll call of members present

Public Comment

- a) Non-agenda items – **No comments from the public**
 - b) Agenda items (1) – **No comments from the public**
2. Discussion and possible action on the following **Drilling/Operating Permit Application:**
Two (2) new wells for King Ranch – Brazos River

Well #7 (BVDO-0273) – Located at: N 30.394530° W 96.227820° 0.04 miles NE of the intersection of Tom Moore Road and FM 159 in Brazos County for Agricultural use. The well will produce from the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer.

Well #8 (BVDO-0274) – Located at: N 30.3952000° W 96.223660° 0.29 miles ENE of the intersection of Tom Moore Road and FM 159 in Brazos County for Agricultural use. The well will produce from the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer. **A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Jayson Barfknecht to approve the two (2) new wells for King Ranch as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously with Pete Brien and David Stratta abstaining.**

3. Adjourn Permit Hearing

Regular Board Meeting

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 November 14, 2019 Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting. **A motion was made by Mark Carrabba, second by Pete Brien to approve the Minutes of Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting for November 14, 2019 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
2. Review and ratification of payments made for services rendered for the month of November A **motion was made by Pete Brien, second by David Stratta to approve the ratification of payments made for the month of November 2019. The motion passed unanimously.**
3. Financial Reports – November, 2019. **A motion was made by Mark Carrabba, second by Pete Brien to approve the financial report for the month of November 2019 as presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
4. Discussion of District By-Laws relating to receiving public comment during a meeting subject to the Texas Open Meetings Act. **No action**
5. Discussion and possible action on the adoption of the 2020 District budget. **A motion was made by Stephen Cast, second by Bill Harris to adopt the 2020 Budget as discussed and presented. The motion passed unanimously.**
6. Discussion and possible action regarding legislative consultant contract subject to the District's adopted 2020 Operating Budget. **A motion was made by Jayson Barfknecht, second by David Stratta for approval to issue a letter for termination of contract with Heather Harwood, Legislative Consultant. The motion passed unanimously.**
7. Discussion and possible action regarding a Memorandum of Understanding between the Texas Department of Licensing & Regulation, Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, and the District addressing plugging of abandoned or deteriorated water wells. **A motion was made by Bill Harris, second by Mark Carrabba to approve the resolution as presented to the Board. The motion passed with a 6-2 vote. Directors Jayson Barfknecht and David Stratta opposed.**
8. Discussion and possible action regarding establishing desired future conditions for the Yegua-Jackson, Sparta, Queen City, Carrizo, Calvert Bluff, Simsboro, Hooper, and Brazos River Alluvium aquifers relating to GMA 12 joint planning. **No action.**
9. Discussion on board member conflicts of interest relating to degree of affinity. **No action.**
10. Discussion concerning the recording of an executive session when legal matters are discussed. **No action.**

11. Discussion concerning the audio recording of public meetings and closed meetings. **No action.**

12. General Manager's Report

- a) Drought Monitor Report
- b) Wells permitted pursuant to District Rule 8.3(j)
- c) GMA 12 Regional Water Planning Update
- d) Legislative Update
- e) District Business & Activities
- f) Management Plan Update

Alan Day presented a brief discussion of the General Manager's report and the items listed above.

13. Discussion and possible future agenda items.

14. Adjourn. **Jayson Barfknecht moved for adjournment, second by David Stratta.**

Signed this 9th day of January, 2020



Pete Brien, 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