



**Minutes**  
**BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**Public Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting**  
**Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.**

**Stephen Cast called the meeting to order at 2:00 p.m.**

Directors present:	Stephen Cast	President
	Jayson Barfknecht	Vice President
	David Stratta	Secretary
	Mark Carrabba	Director
	John Elliott	Director
	Jeff Kennedy	Director
	Gary Mechler	Director
	Chris Zeig	Director

Staff present:	Alan M. Day	General Manager
	Cynthia Lopez	Office Manager
	Monique Norman	Attorney
	John Seifert	Hydrologist
	James Beach	Hydrologist

**Public Permit Hearing**

Call Permit Hearing to order  
Roll call of members present

2. Discussion and possible action on the following **Drilling/Operating Permit Application:**
  - **One (1) new Drilling/Operating permit for Wickson Creek Special Utility District**

Well #9 – **(BVDO-0322)** Located at: N 30.804269° W 96.356142° 0.34 miles E of the intersection of FM 974 and FM 2776 in Brazos County. Total maximum annual production from the water well will be 1,879 ac-ft/yr at a maximum rate of 2,000 gpm for Public Water Supply use. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. **A motion was made by Jayson Barfknecht, second by Chris Zeig to approve the Drilling/Operating permit for Wickson Creek SUD as presented to the Board. The annual production from the water well will be 1,879 ac-ft/yr at a maximum rate of 2,000 gpm for Public Water Supply use. The well will produce from the Simsboro Aquifer. The motion passed unanimously.**

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 minutes of the April 13, 2023 Permit Hearing & Regular Board Meeting. **A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Jayson Barfknecht to approve the minutes for April 13, 2023 as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.**
2. Financial Report for the month of April 2023. **A motion was made by John Elliot, second by Mark Carrabba to approve the Financial report for the month of April 2023. The motion passed unanimously.**
3. Discussion and possible action approving the purchase of a new District work vehicle from Jim Turner Chevrolet. **A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Chris Zeig to approve the purchase of a new District work vehicle from Jim Turner Chevrolet as presented to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.**
4. Presentation by James Beach, Advanced Groundwater Solutions, detailing the average artesian head change for each aquifer and comparison of the average head change for each aquifer with the corresponding Desired Future Condition. **James Beach, with Advance Groundwater Solutions, presented the Board a presentation on Desired Future Conditions.**
5. Discussion and possible action on approving initial revisions to the District Management Plan related to the five-year mandatory update of the Plan by November 30, 2023. **A motion was made by John Elliott, second by Jayson Barfknecht to approve wording for sections of the updating of the District Management Plan related to compliance with 2021 DFCs and management strategies to control and prevent subsidence. The motion passed unanimously.**
6. Discussion and possible action on developing a position on bills filed during the 88<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session related to groundwater. **No action taken.**
7. General Manager's Report, **Alan Day, General Manager, gave an update to the Board on the reports listed below.**
  - a) Drought Monitor Report
  - b) Wells permitted pursuant to District Rule 8.3(j)
  - c) GMA 12 DFC Update
  - d) District Business & Activities

e) Management Plan Update

8. Discussion and possible future agenda items.
9. **Adjourn @ 3:10 p.m.**

**Signed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of June 2023**



**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 ;
- (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.