

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
BRAZORIA COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION
DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Brazoria County Groundwater Conservation District met Thursday, the 18th day of May, 2017, at 4:00 p.m. in the Brazoria County Groundwater Conservation District Office, 451 N. Velasco Street, 1st Floor, Suite 140, Angleton, Texas.

The meeting was called to order by Director Davenport at 4:00 p.m.

The roll was called of the duly constituted members of the Board, to wit:

Alan Mueller	President
Dennis Davenport	Vice President
Raymond Felder	Secretary
Ronnie Goolsby	Assistant Secretary
Patrick O'Day	Director

All of said Directors were present except Director Mueller, thus constituting a quorum.

Also present for all or part of the meeting were the following: Kent Burkett, General Manager, Sherry Plentl, Sr. Administrative Assistant, David Ellis, District Field Operations Coordinator and Beverly Hopkins, Administrative Assistant.

APPROVE MINUTES:

Motion by Director Felder; Seconded by Director Davenport that the Minutes from the meeting on April 13, 2017 be approved as presented. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

FORMAL REPORTS AND PRESENTATIONS:

Thomas Grissett with the Jones Creek Volunteer Fire Department spoke on behalf of the department regarding an existing un-permitted well at the fire station and asked for relief regarding past years' fees due.

FINANCIAL & INVESTMENT REPORT AND BUDGET SUMMARY:

The May, 2017 Statement of Revenues, Expenditures and Changes in Fund Balance and the Investment Report were presented for review, and a budget status update was given. No action was taken.

APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT:

Motion by Director O'Day; Seconded by Director Felder that the invoices presented be approved for payment. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

Motion by Director O'Day; Seconded by Director Goolsby to **OPEN** a public hearing regarding applications for permits

Type	Owner	Address	City	Allocation	Use
A. Permit Exist.	Vernor Material & Equipment	7108 SH 332	Freeport	500,000	Industrial
B. Permit New	Morning Star Center	23869 SH 6	Alvin	500,000	Public Supply

Motion approved with all present voting aye.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

Following the public hearing, during which no testimony was received, there was a Motion by Director O'Day; Seconded by Director Goolsby that the public hearing regarding applications for permits received be **CLOSED**. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

APPROVE PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

Motion by Director O'Day; Seconded by Director Davenport that Item A. be approved contingent upon verification of meter installment and Item B. be approved as presented. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

SUMMARY OF PERMITS APPROVED	
Total Wells:	2
New Wells:	1
Existing:	1
PWS	1
C/D	0
Other	0
Industrial	1

APPROVE OPEN, ABANDONED AND DETERIORATED WELL POLICY

This item was continued to the next meeting of the Board of Directors.

EXEMPT USE WELL REGISTRATION REPORT:

The Exempt Well Registration Report for the current period was reviewed. No action was taken.

DROUGHT MONITOR REPORT:

The U.S. Drought Monitor map for the State of Texas for May, 2017 was presented for review. No action was taken.

SET HEARING DATE FOR PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

Motion by Director Felder; Seconded by Director Goolsby that a public hearing to consider approval of permit applications or amendments or cancelations be set for the next meeting of the Board of Directors on **Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.** in the District Office and that the applicants be notified. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

CONSULTATION WITH GENERAL COUNSEL REGARDING RECENT LITIGATION ON GROUNDWATER ISSUES- CITY OF CONROE, ET AL V. LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT, ET AL, (9TH COURT OF APPEALS)

Due to absence of General Counsel, this item was passed.

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

The General Manager updated the Board regarding current legislation on groundwater issues.

POSSIBLE FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

- A. Possible amendments to District Rules
- B. June 8, 2017 Presentation by USGS regarding 2016 Water Resources Investigations findings.
- C. June 8, 2017 – Consider proposal from Freese & Nichols, Inc. for development of the Groundwater Management Plan.
- D. Consider request from Jones Creek Volunteer Fire Department

- E. Consider approval of the policy regarding open, abandoned and deteriorated wells.
- F. Consider approval of Letter of Engagement with Kennemer, Masters & Lunsford LLC to perform the FY2017 Audit.

CLOSED MEETING:

At 5:10 p.m. the meeting was adjourned to allow the Board of Directors to conduct a closed meeting under the following section of V.T.C.A. government code, Chapter 551, subchapter D.

- A. Texas Government Code 551.074
Personnel Matters: (1) deliberation regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of District employees or (2) to hear a complaint or charge against an employee, unless the employee who is the subject of the deliberation or hearing requests a public hearing.

RECONVENE OPEN SESSION:

At 5:55 p.m. the Board reconvened in Open Session. District employees were asked to submit a description of the tasks and responsibilities related to their position to the evaluation committee. No formal action was taken.

ADJOURN:

As there were no further matters to be heard, the motion to adjourn was made by Director Felder and seconded by Director O'Day. All present voting aye. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.

Approved this 8th day of June, 2017



Ronnie Goolsby
Asst. Secretary, Board of Directors