

**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 13th day of February, 2014, 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 Pyburn at 4:00 p.m.

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

John Pyburn	President
Patrick O'Day	Vice President
Raymond Felder	Secretary
Alan Mueller	Assistant Secretary
Ronnie Goolsby	Director

All of said Directors were present except Director Mueller thus constituting a quorum. Director Mueller joined the meeting at 4:12 p.m.

Also present for all or part of the meeting were the following: Kent Burkett, General Manager, Sherry Plentl, Administrative Assistant, Greg Ellis, Attorney for District, Jason Afinowicz of Freese & Nichols, Inc. Members of the audience were Marie Thomson-Turner and David Turner, David Gonzales, Genevieve Bowman, Berry Appling, Dale Felder, Bryan Steves, Preston Black, Steve Walters, C. B. Robertson III, and Arthur Velasquez.

APPROVE MINUTES:

Motion by Director Felder; Seconded by Director O'Day that the Minutes from the meeting on January 9, 2014 be approved as presented. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

PUBLIC APPEARANCE:

Dale Felder of Felder Water Well spoke to the Board regarding his concerns about water quality in areas of Brazoria County and asked the Board to become more proactive in their efforts to protect groundwater. In addition, he shared complaints he has received from customers about the permit and meter requirements of the District and expressed concern about violations of the District Rules that have occurred.

FINANCIAL REPORT AND BUDGET SUMMARY:

A current financial status report was presented for review. No action was taken.

APPROVE INVOICES FOR PAYMENT:

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

TWIN LAKES CLUB WELLS

Motion by Director O'Day, Seconded by Director Goolsby to table any action regarding the permit applications for the two lake wells at Twin Lakes Club pending the receipt of additional information for penalty calculation and meter installation. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

Motion by Director Felder; Seconded by Director Mueller that the Board **OPEN** a public hearing regarding applications for permits received.

1. **Brazoria County MUD #55 – 1 new 4” construction well
.04 miles south of CR 56/CR 48**
2. **Columbia Ranch LLC – 2 existing lake fill wells at
Columbia Ranch, Damon**
3. **Thompson, Robert – 1 new 4” pond well at 3508
Buckholt, Pearland**
4. **Thomsom-Turner, Marie – 1 new 4” commercial well
at 13925 Stone Road, Pearland**
5. **Tricor Builders – 1 new 4” commercial well at 4003
Chance Lane, Rosharon**
6. **Wojcik, Robert – 1 new 4” geothermal well at 5786
CR 334, Sweeny**
7. **Ybajes, Jesus (d/b/a Hacienda Rodeo) – 1 new
commercial well at 14009 SH 288B**

Motion approved with all present voting aye.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

Motion by Director Pyburn; Seconded by Director that the public hearing regarding applications for permits received be **CLOSED**. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

APPROVE PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

Motion by Director Mueller; Seconded by Director Felder that Items 1, 3, 5 and 6 be approved as presented. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

Motion by Director Mueller; Seconded by Director O'Day to approve the permit for the lake fill well in Item 2 contingent upon the installation of an approved meter. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

Motion by Director; Seconded by Director Pyburn to approve the permits for the remaining two wells in Item 2 serving restrooms and a fish cleaning station contingent upon installation of meters on the lines providing water for those facilities. Motion approved with Directors Pyburn, Felder, O'Day and Goolsby voting aye; Director Mueller voted no.

Motion by Director O'Day; Seconded by Director Pyburn that Item 4 be approved contingent upon payment in full of past years' fees due for the existing non-exempt well on the site that was replaced and was not permitted with the District. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

Motion by Director Felder; Seconded by Director Pyburn to waive the \$250.00 penalty assessed to the owner for failure to permit the well prior to drilling and approve Item 7 with the following conditions:

- Well is approved as a Commercial use well and is not to be operated as a public water supply well until owner provides documentation from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality stating the well meets public water supply standards; and
- Well is equipped with a meter meeting District standards

Motion approved with all present voting aye.

SUMMARY OF PERMITS APPROVED

Total Wells:	9
New Wells:	6
Existing:	3

PWS	0
C/D	6
Industrial	0
Other	3

EXEMPT USE WELL REGISTRATION REPORT:

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

DROUGHT MONITOR REPORT:

A current view of the U.S. Drought Monitor map for the State of Texas was presented for review. No action was taken.

APPROVE JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT AND CONTRACT FOR ELECTION SERVICES WITH BRAZORIA COUNTY

Motion by Director Felder; Seconded by Director Mueller to approve the Joint Election Agreement and Contract For Election Services with Brazoria County for the May 10, 2014 Board of Directors election and authorize the deposit in the amount of \$6,000.00. Motion approved with all voting aye.

AMENDMENTS TO DISTRICT FEE SCHEDULE

A draft of suggested amendments to the current District Fee Schedule was presented for the Board's review and consideration at the March 13, 2014 meeting of the Board. No action was taken.

SET HEARING DATE FOR PERMIT APPLICATIONS:

Motion by Director Felder; Seconded by Director O'Day that a public hearing to consider approval of permit applications or amendments be set for the next meeting of the Board of Directors on **Thursday, March 13, 2014 at 4:00 p.m.** in the District Office and that the applicants be duly notified. Motion approved with all present voting aye.

ADJOURN:

As there were no further matters to be heard, the motion to adjourn was made by Director O'Day and seconded by Director Goolsby. All present voting aye. The meeting was adjourned at 5:47 p.m.

Approved this 13th day of March, 2014



Raymond D. Felder, Secretary
Board of Directors