THE STATE OF TEXAS

* GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

COUNTY OF KENEDY

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On the 22nd day of October, 2014, at 3:00 o'clock p.m., a regular meeting of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District was held at the Kenedy County Courthouse in Sarita, Texas.

Directors present:

Chuck Burns, President Homero Vera, Vice-President Dave Delaney, Secretary Craig Weiland, Member Danny Butler, Member

Also present:

Andy Garza, General Manager Leo Villarreal, Administrative Assistant Monica Jacobs, La Paloma Ranch Dain McCoig, URI

1. Call Meeting to Order

Chuck Burns, President, called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

2. Receive Public Comments

No public comments were received.

3. <u>Discuss & Act on Minutes of September 12, 2014, Regular Meeting and September 22, 2014 Special Meeting</u>

Chuck Burns presented the Board with the September 12, 2014, regular meeting and September 22, 2014 special meeting minutes of the Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District.

Homero Vera moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the September 12, 2014, regular meeting and September 22, 2014 special meeting minutes be approved as presented.

4. Receive General Manager's Activity Report & Act, If Necessary, Regarding:

- a. Communications
- b. Well registrations
- c. Permit #2009-011

- d. TAGD quarterly meeting
- e. Draft copies of legislative bills
- f. Educational materials
- g. Office space
- h. National Night Out party in Sarita
- i. Local newspaper article submitted by GCD
- j. News articles
- k. Other

Andy Garza, General Manager, reported on the following:

- a) <u>Communications</u>: Garza reported that he had communications with Wardlaw Appraisal Group of San Antonio, Alan Jamison from Kenedy Charitable Trust, Robert Schmidt from the USDA-NRCS, Mary Sahs and Guero Dieterle from the Kenedy Memorial Foundation.
- b) Well registrations: Garza reported that he had completed the registration process on seven wells located on Fausto Yturria's ranch at the south end of Kenedy County. Garza also reported that Carlton McCain would be drilling a new well on property adjacent to Paistle Road.
- c) <u>Permit #2009-011</u>: Garza reviewed water usage by Kenedy County halfway through the year. This particular permittee exceeded production in 2013.
- d) TAGD quarterly meeting: Garza reported that this meeting would be held in Kingsville, TX on October 29-30, 2014. Mary Sahs will be making a presentation at 1:30 PM on October 29, 2014. Leo Villarreal and Dave Delaney may be attending this meeting.
- e) <u>Draft copies of legislative bills</u>: Garza distributed copies of proposed legislative bills on auditing process by the State Auditor's office, permitting and aquifer storage and recovery systems.
- f) <u>Educational materials</u>: Garza reported that the District had purchased 4 kits of the Major Rivers water education program. They will be distributed to the Sarita, Santa Gertrudis, Riviera and San Perlita schools.
- g) Office space: Tom Denny, Chief Appraiser for Kenedy County, reported that his entity could be moving to the building that was recently vacated by the Sheriff's Department in Sarita. Mr. Denny reported that there would be room for another entity such as the Kenedy County GCD to relocate as well. Renovations would cost approximately \$70,000. The majority of the building would house the Kenedy County Appraisal District.
- h) <u>National Night Out party in Sarita:</u> Garza reported that the District had provided six cases of bottled water to the attendees. This is the event of the year for Sarita according to Garza.

- i) <u>Local newspaper article submitted by GCD:</u> Garza reported that the district is required to jointly publish, with USDA-NRCS, an article pertinent to water every year in the local newspaper. A copy of this year's article was given to the directors.
- j) <u>News articles:</u> Various news articles on groundwater and other topics were distributed to the directors.
- k) Other: There was nothing to report.

5. Receive Report on GMA-16 Activities and Act, If Necessary

Andy Garza reviewed the results of GAM run 1.6 which included the additional pumping that was requested by the San Patricio GCD. The additional pumping in San Patricio GCD did increase the drawdowns through 2060 for Bee GCD and Live Oak UWCD. Danny Butler expressed concern over the fact that some areas in GMA-16 are not covered by a GCD. Dave Delaney stated that it is difficult to get a handle on the impacts of high pumpage when dealing with a confined aquifer like the Gulf Coast aquifer.

This being a report only, no vote was needed and none was taken.

6. <u>Discuss and Act to Contract With Dr. Uddameri or LBG-Guyton to Compile Letter</u> to Address Issues That Need Improvement in New GAM Model for GMA-15 and 16

Andy Garza reminded the Board that they had been made aware at an earlier meeting that a new model was being developed for GMA-15 and GMA-16. Garza recommended that either Dr. Venki Uddameri or LBG-Guyton be contracted to compile a letter that would be sent to the TWDB to address deficiencies that are in the model currently in use.

Danny Butler moved and Dave Delaney seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to contract with Dr. Uddameri to compile the above-mentioned letter.

7. <u>Discuss and Act, If Necessary, to Renew District Membership in TAGD and Approve Payment Thereof</u>

Leo Villarreal and Andy Garza informed the Board of the need to renew annual membership in TAGD. Based on the annual budget of the District, membership in TAGD will cost \$750 for 2014-2015.

Dave Delaney moved and Homero Vera seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to renew membership in TAGD at a cost of \$750.

8. Discuss & Act on Amending 2014 Budget, If Necessary

Leo Villarreal reported that upon further review of the 2014 budget, there was no need for amendments at this time.

No vote was needed and none was taken.

9. Discuss & Act on 2013 Audit

Leo Villarreal reviewed the 2013 audit as per report from Luke Womack. The three recommendations in the report pertained to an investment policy, records management policy and a depository contract. All three recommendations have been satisfied since completion of the audit.

No vote was needed and none was taken.

10. Discuss & Act on Renewal of Two Certificates of Deposit with Kleberg Bank

Leo Villarreal reported that Certificates of Deposit #60342 and #60113 held at the Kleberg Bank would mature in November, 2014 and thus needed to be renewed.

Craig Weiland moved and Danny Butler seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to renew Certificates of Deposit #60342 and #60113 for another 6 months and 1 year, respectively.

11. Receive 3rd Quarter Investment Report

Leo Villarreal submitted the 3rd quarter, 2014, investment report. The District's beginning market value on July 1, 2014 was \$481,698.42 and the ending market value on Sept. 30, 2014 was \$463,285.66

This being a report only, no vote was needed and none was taken.

12. Discuss & Act on Ordering Hylson Minutes Book for 2014 from Excelsior Blumberg

Leo Villarreal reported that there was a need for Hylson minutes book for 2015 and that the cost should not exceed \$250.

Danny Butler moved and Dave Delaney seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to purchase a minutes book from Excelsior Blumberg for a cost not to exceed \$250.

13. Discuss & Act on Date for Next Regular Meeting Date

Andy Garza informed the Board that the Kenedy County grand jury could be meeting on the third Wednesday in the courtroom for the next 2 months. Garza recommended that the meeting time be changed to 3:00 PM for the November, 2014 meeting and that the Board meet at 10:00 AM on Friday, December 19, 2014.

Danny Butler and Dave Delaney seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to hold the next meeting at 3:00 PM on Wednesday, November 19, 2014 at the Kenedy County Courthouse and that the last meeting of the year be held at 10:00 AM on Friday, December 19, 2014 at the Kenedy County Courthouse.

14. Discuss & Act on Payment of Bills

Chuck Burns presented the bills to the Board for consideration and payment.

Homero Vera moved and Dave Delaney seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed to pay all bills as presented.

12. Adjournment

There being no other business to come before the Board of Directors, Danny Butler moved and Craig Weiland seconded the motion; the motion was unanimously passed that the meeting be adjourned at 4;15 p.m.

David Delaney, Secretary

ATTESTED TO:

Chuck Burns, President