

Panola County Groundwater Conservation District  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes  
August 22, 2017

A regular meeting of the Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, August 22, 2017, immediately following the public hearing at 5:45 p.m. in the District Conference Room at 419 W. Sabine Street, Carthage, Texas 75633. The following were in attendance:

Board Members:

Precinct #1: Mike Pennington  
                  Danny Reed  
Precinct #2: James Browning  
                  Larry Dorman  
Precinct #3: Scott Yarnell  
                  Jim Payne  
Precinct #4: Ronny McMillan  
                  Ray Davis  
At Large: Bobby Langford

District Staff: Leah Adams, General Manager; Ashley Whitaker, Office Manager; David Waldrop, Field Technician/Inspector; and Jess Landreneau, Field Technician

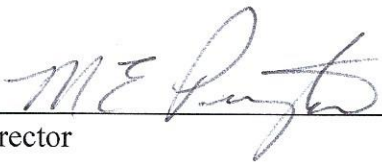
Others Present: Ron Sharp, Panola Drilling

1. The regular board meeting was called to order by James Browning, Board President, at 5:45 p.m. following the public hearing.
2. There were no public comments.
3. After reviewing the July 25, 2017 Public Hearing minutes, Scott Yarnell moved and Mike Pennington seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
4. After reviewing the July 25, 2017 Regular Board Meeting minutes, Mike Pennington moved and Jim Payne seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
5. James Browning asked the General Manager to present the fines and drilling approval status for Ron Sharp. During the discussion, Ron presented his circumstances for filing an extension for the Connor Cemetery well after the drilling permit had expired. Scott Yarnell moved and Ray Davis seconded the motion to deny the extension for the Connor Cemetery well. The motion passed unanimously.
6. After discussing the actions on the Beckville Disposal location, the agreement was made to allow the General Manager to have further discussions with Ty Embrey (the District's attorney) and with the landowner for that site. The motion was made by Jim Payne and seconded by Danny Reed. The motion passed unanimously.

7. After reviewing the unbudgeted consulting work, Mike Pennington moved and Danny Reed seconded the motion to approve up to \$2000.00 for consulting work on the management plan. After discussing an addition to the well spacing study by Intera, Ray Davis moved and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to approve the well spacing study for up to \$2000.00. After discussion on the vehicle accessories, the item was tabled until further notice. The motions passed unanimously.
8. The proposed final 2018 District budget and the 2017 proposed tax rate of 0.011 dollars per \$100 valuation, as documented by Resolution 2017-04, were discussed. Scott Yarnell moved and Ray Davis seconded the motion to approve the 2017 proposed tax rate of \$0.011/\$100, the final 2018 District budget, and Resolution 2017-04. The motion passed unanimously.
9. Field Technician/Inspector David Waldrop and Field Technician Jess Landreneau discussed with the Board and General Manager a water well that is venting gases. Further discussion included sampling the gas and water from the well, and consideration on allowing the well to be plugged. Field Technician Jess Landreneau then provided updates on the regular monthly monitor wells, rain gauges, and frac pond monitoring. The monthly monitor deep well readings show a drop in water levels of 0.48 feet in the last month. Compared to 2011, the deep well water levels are up 6.30 feet. The shallow monitor well water levels have fallen 0.28 feet in the last month, and they are 1.92 feet higher than in 2011. The county's recorded rainfall average for July was 2.09 inches. The historical average for July is 3.20 inches, and the historical average for August is 2.79 inches. As of August 8th, 2017, all of Panola County is in "no drought" conditions according to the U.S. Drought Monitor. Frac pond monitor well water levels in the Clayton area have recovered to pre-pumping conditions.
10. After reviewing the District's expenditures from June 20, 2017 to August 17, 2017, Scott Yarnell moved and Jim Payne seconded the motion to approve the payment of expenses as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
11. The Board did not enter into executive session at the August 22, 2017 meeting.
12. The next board meeting date was set for September 26, 2017, at 5:30 p.m. at the District Office.
13. With no further business, Danny Reed moved and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 7:40 p.m.

Approved this 26<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2017.

Director



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