Minutes of Public Hearings on
Drilling and Operating Permit Applications
Panola County Groundwater Conservation District
May 24, 2016

A public hearing was held by the Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors at 5:30 p.m. in the District Conference Room on Tuesday, May 24, 2016, on the applications for Drilling and Operating Permits for Bobby Ritter and Murvaul Water Supply. The following were in attendance:

Board Members Present:

Precinct #1: Mike Pennington
Danny Reed
Precinct #2: James Browning
Larry Dorman
Precinct #3: Al Clay
Jim Payne
Precinct #4: Larry McMillan
Ray Davis
At large:

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

Others Present: Kenneth Pauley, Murvaul Water Supply

Absent: Bobby Langford, At Large

1. The public hearing was called to order by Larry Dorman, Board President, at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 24, 2016.

2. Mr. Dorman moved into review of the Drilling and Operating Permit applications for Bobby Ritter. He asked the General Manager to present the Drilling and Operating Permit applications. The General Manager then explained that Bobby Ritter had submitted two Drilling and Operating Permit applications for two 4 inch wells for domestic use and irrigation at 336 CR 420, Gary, TX 75643. The applicant has requested to produce 6,000,000 gallons or 18.41 acre feet annually at the rate of 35 gallons per minute for each well.

   Based upon the General Manager's findings that the applications meet the requirements of the District's Rules and Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code, Danny Reed moved and Mike Pennington seconded the motion to approve issuance of the Drilling and Operating Permits to Bobby Ritter for a total of 6,000,000 gallons per year or 18.41 acre feet of groundwater production annually for each of the water wells. The motion passed unanimously of those present.

   Mr. Dorman then moved into review of the Drilling and Operating Permit applications for Murvaul Water Supply and asked the General Manager to present the applications. The

General Manager then explained that Murvaul Water Supply had submitted Drilling and Operating Permit applications for a 6 inch well at the corner of County Roads 183 and 184 to add a backup well to their water system. The General Manager further explained that the amount of the original permit was 35,000,000 gallons or 107.42 acre feet, and that the applicant is requesting to leave the original permitted amount the same. A variance has been provided for one of the two surrounding wells, the other property owner failed to respond to the mailed notification.

Based upon the General Manger's findings that the applications meet the requirements of the District's Rules and Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code, Mike Pennington moved and Ray Davis seconded the motion to approve issuance of the Drilling and Operating Permits to Murvaul Water Supply for a total of 35,000,000 gallons or 107.42 acre feet annually for the water well system. The motion passed unanimously of those present. Because the original permitted amount will remain the same and the second property owner's failure to respond to notification, the board approved the application as presented.

Mr. Dorman stated that this action concluded the public hearing on these Drilling and Operating Permit applications.

3. Mr. Dorman adjourned the public hearing for the Drilling and Operating Permit applications at 5:39 p.m.

Approved this 28th day of June, 2016.

Director

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