

Minutes of Public Hearings on
Operating Permit Applications
Panola County Groundwater Conservation District
June 27, 2017

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, June 27, 2017, on the applications for Operating Permits for Virgil Wedgeworth, Michael Journeycake Frac Pond wells, and Basic Energy Services. The following were in attendance:

Board Members:

Precinct #1: Mike Pennington
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; David Waldrop, Field Technician/Inspector; and Jess Landreneau, Field Technician.

Others Present: Mandy Duran, Bonnie Pope, Wade Oliver, Shirley Lambert, CR Lynch, Cheri Lambert, Barbara Cordell

Absent: Danny Reed, Precinct #1

1. The public hearing was called to order by James Browning, Board President, at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, June 27, 2017.

Mr. Browning moved into review of the Operating Permit application for Virgil Wedgeworth. He asked the General Manager to present the Operating Permit application. The General Manager then explained that Virgil Wedgeworth had submitted one Operating Permit application for one 6-inch diameter well for commercial purposes (water sales) located at 424 CR 208, Carthage, Texas 75633. The potential maximum annual production is 105,120,000 gallons or 322.60 acre-feet annually at the rate of 200 gallons per minute (GPM). The total usage applied for is 100,000,000 gallons or 306.89 acre-feet at 200 GPM. The well was a transfer from oil and gas operations to the landowner, and the well has been inspected and the transfer was approved prior to the meeting. Due to an open records request regarding data on this well, the General Manager suggested tabling the permit until the next meeting to allow an opportunity for the requested data to be reviewed and provided. Ray Davis moved and Scott Yarnell seconded the motion to table the Operating Permit for Virgil Wedgeworth, with the stipulation that a decision must be made on this permit within thirty days. The motion to table the permit application passed unanimously of those present.

Mr. Browning moved into review of the Operating Permit applications for Michael Journeycake. He asked the General Manager to present the Operating Permit applications. The General Manager then explained that Michael Journeycake had submitted two Operating Permit applications for two 4-inch diameter wells for commercial purposes (water sales) located at 9241 FM 2517, Carthage, Texas 75633. The potential maximum annual production is 39,420,000 gallons or 120.98 acre-feet annually at the rate of 75 gallons per minute (GPM) per water well. The total usage applied for is 78,000,000 gallons or 239.37 acre-feet at 75 GPM. Several Panola County residents showed up with complaints

about artesian groundwater flow disruption due to pumping to fill the frac pond. There was also a complaint regarding surface water transfer from Mill Creek to the frac pond. Due to the residents' concerns and the lack of information about the surface water interaction, Jim Payne moved and Mike Pennington seconded the motion to table the decision regarding Operating Permits for Michael Jouneycake until next month. The motion passed unanimously of those present.

Mr. Browning moved into review of the Operating Permit applications for Basic Energy Services. He asked the General Manager to present the Operating Permit applications. The General Manager then explained that Basic Energy Services had submitted two Operating Permit applications for two 4-inch diameter wells for commercial purposes (facility use) located at 1723 FM 31 N, DeBerry, Texas (Office), and at 610 FM 31 N, DeBerry, Texas (SWD). The details are below:

Well Name	Size of Well	Potential Maximum		
		Annual Production	Acre Ft.	GPM
Office	4 inch	13,140,000	40.33	25
J. Williams SWD	4 inch	10,512,000	32.26	20

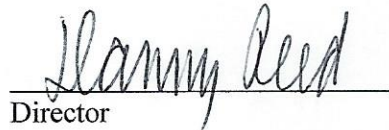
The total usage applied for is 1,000,000 gallons or 3.07 acre-feet at 25 GPM for the office water well and 5,000,000 gallons or 15.35 acre-feet at 20 GPM for the J. Williams SWD water well annually.

Based upon the General Manager's findings that the application meets the requirements of the District's Rules and Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code, Mike Pennington moved and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to approve the issuance of Operating Permits to Basic Energy Services. The motion passed unanimously of those present.

2. Mr. Browning adjourned the public hearing for the Operating Permit applications at 6:45 p.m.

Approved this 25th day of July, 2017.


Director


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