

Panola County Groundwater Conservation District  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes  
April 24, 2018

A regular meeting of the Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, April 24, 2018, at 5:51 p.m. immediately following the public hearings in the District Conference Room at 419 W. Sabine Street, Carthage, Texas 75633. The following were in attendance:

Board Members:

Precinct #2: James Browning  
Larry Dorman  
Precinct #3: Scott Yarnell  
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: Debbie Bennett

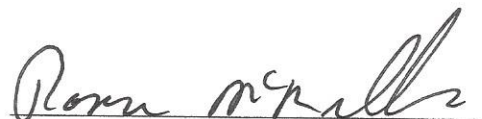
Absent: Jim Payne, Precinct #3; Danny Reed, Precinct #1; Mike Pennington, Precinct #1

1. The regular board meeting was called to order by James Browning, Board President, at 5:51 p.m.
2. James Browning conducted the invocation.
3. In the public comments, Debbie Bennett inquired about the rule violations by two water well drillers in Panola County.
4. After reviewing the March 27, 2018 Public Hearing - Permits minutes, Larry Dorman moved and Ray Davis seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously of those present.
5. After reviewing the March 27, 2018 Regular Board Meeting minutes, Scott Yarnell moved and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously of those present.
6. After reviewing the purchase of a new District vehicle, Scott Yarnell moved and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to amend the budget and approve the purchase of a new District vehicle with the requirements that the vehicle price not exceed a total of \$20,000 and that the current vehicle allowance for the General Manager would end upon obtaining the vehicle. The motion passed unanimously of those present.
7. After reviewing the purchase of a flow meter, Scott Yarnell moved and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to amend the budget and approve the purchase of the PT900 Flow Meter Package. The motion passed with three votes in favor, two votes opposed, and one abstaining.

8. After reviewing the proposed attendance of the General Manager at various conferences and training events, the Field Technicians at public outreach events, and the Office Manager at the Rusk County Ag day, Scott Yarnell moved and Ray Davis seconded the motion to approve the attendance of District staff at these events. The motion passed unanimously of those present.
9. After discussion on the updated information on Ron Sharp, no motion was made and no action was taken.
10. Field Technician Jess Landreneau provided updates on the regular monthly monitor wells, rain gauges, and frac pond monitoring. The monthly monitor deep well readings show a rise in water levels of 0.71 feet in the last month. Compared to 2011, the deep well water levels are up 7.78 feet. The shallow monitor well water levels have risen 0.30 feet in the last month, and they are 3.67 feet higher than in 2011. The county's recorded rainfall average for March was 6.92 inches. The historical precipitation average for March is 4.22 inches, and the historical average for April is 4.50 inches. As of April 17th, 2018, Panola County's status is "no drought" according to the U.S. Drought Monitor for Texas. There were no significant changes in the monitoring of prior frac ponds. Two new frac pond projects are being conducted on CR 466 in Deadwood and on US 59 N at FM 2792 in Grand Bluff.
11. After reviewing the District's expenditures from March 23, 2018 to April 18, 2018, Ray Davis moved and Scott Yarnell seconded the motion to approve the payment of expenditures as presented. The motion passed unanimously of those present.
12. The Board did not enter into executive session.
13. Since no executive session was convened, no action was taken.
14. The next board meeting was set for May 29, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. at the District office.
15. With no further business, Scott Yarnell moved and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously of those present, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:31 p.m.

Approved this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2018.

  
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