

Minutes of Public Hearings on
Operating Permit Applications
Panola County Groundwater Conservation District
March 27, 2018

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, March 27, 2018 on the applications for Operating Permits for Iron Mountain Energy LLC, Sam Allison, and Olga Jean Pope.

Board Members:

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

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

Others: Johnny Sharp of Sharp Water Well Services and Debbie Bennett

Absent: Bobby Langford, At Large

1. The public hearing was called to order by James Browning, Board President, at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday March 27, 2018.
2. Mr. Browning moved into review of the Operating Permit application for Iron Mountain Energy, LLC. He asked the General Manager to present the application. The General Manager then explained that Iron Mountain Energy, LLC applied to operate two (2) water wells for water sales and facility use. The combined total usage applied for was 10,000,000 gallons or 30.69 acre-feet annually. This agenda item was conducted to confirm the previously requested amount of groundwater production under this permit.

Based on the presented information and the fact that the application had met all of the requirements of the District Rules and Chapter 36, TWC, the General Manager recommended that the Board approve the application. Danny Reed moved and Mike Pennington seconded the motion to approve the Operating Permits for Iron Mountain Energy, LLC. The motion passed unanimously of those present.

3. Mr. Browning moved into review of the Operating Permit application for Sam Allison. Mr. Browning asked for a motion to remove this item from the table. Scott Yarnell moved and Larry Dorman seconded the motion to remove this permit from the table. He then asked the General Manager to present the application. The General Manager then explained that Sam Allison applied to operate one (1) water well for water sales and irrigation purposes. The total usage applied for was 10,000,000 gallons or 30.69 acre-feet annually. This agenda item was conducted to confirm the water well's specific location.

Based on the presented information and the fact that the application had met all of the requirements of the District Rules and Chapter 36, TWC, the General Manager recommended that the Board approve the application. After discussion, Scott Yarnell moved, and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to approve the Operating Permit for Sam Allison. The motion passed unanimously of those present.

4. Mr. Browning moved into review of the Operating Permit application for Olga Jean Pope. He asked the General Manager to present the application. The General Manager then explained that Olga Jean Pope applied to operate one (1) water well for water sales. The total usage applied for was 31,536,000 gallons or 96.78 acre-feet annually.

Based on the presented information and the fact that the application had met all of the requirements of the District Rules and Chapter 36, TWC, the General Manager recommended that the Board approve the application. Mike Pennington moved and Scott Yarnell seconded the motion to approve the Operating Permit for Olga Jean Pope. The motion passed unanimously of those present.

5. With no other items on the agenda, Mr. Browning adjourned the public hearing for the operating permit applications at 5:39 p.m.

Approved this 24th day of April, 2018


Director


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