

Panola County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
May 29, 2018

A regular meeting of the Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, May 29, 2018, at 5:35 p.m. immediately following the public hearing in the District Conference Room at 419 W. Sabine Street, Carthage, Texas 75633. 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; Ashley Whitaker, Office Manager; David Waldrop, Field Technician/Inspector; and Jess Landreneau, Field Technician

Absent: Danny Reed, Precinct #1


1. The regular board meeting was called to order by James Browning, Board President, at 5:35 p.m.
2. Mike Pennington conducted the invocation.
3. There were no public comments at the May 29, 2018 regular board meeting.
4. After reviewing the April 24, 2018 Public Hearing minutes, Mike Pennington moved and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously of those present.
5. After reviewing the April 24, 2018 Regular Board Meeting minutes, Scott Yarnell moved and Jim Payne seconded the motion to amend and approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously of those present.
6. Resolution 2018-03 was presented and after discussion, Ray Davis moved and Mike Pennington seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2018-03, regarding appointing the Panola County Tax Assessor and the District's General Manager to calculate and publish the District's 2018 effective and roll back tax rates. The motion passed unanimously of those present.
7. There was no action taken on the current permit renewal issues.
8. The General Manager presented the District's 2017 Annual Report. Mike Pennington moved and Ray Davis seconded the motion to approve Resolution 2018-04, adopting the 2017 Annual Report. The motion passed unanimously of those present.

9. 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 five votes in favor, two votes opposed, and one abstaining.
10. Field Technician Jess Landreneau provided updates on the monthly monitor wells, rain gauges, and frac pond monitoring. The monthly monitor deep well readings show a rise in water levels of 0.36 feet in the last month. Compared to 2011, the deep well water levels are up 8.14 feet. The shallow monitor well water levels have fallen 0.03 feet in the last month, and they are 3.63 feet higher than in 2011. The county's recorded rainfall average for April was 5.12 inches. The historical precipitation average for April is 4.57 inches, and the historical average for May is 4.74 inches. As of May 15th, 2018, Panola County's status is "no drought" according to the U.S. Drought Monitor for Texas. Frac pond monitor wells in the Centennial area showed an average water level rise of 6 feet in the last month.
11. After reviewing the District's expenditures from April 19, 2018 to May 23, 2018, Scott Yarnell moved and Ray Davis 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 June 26, 2018, at 5:30 p.m. at the District office.
15. With no further business, Scott Yarnell moved and Jim Payne seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously of those present, and the meeting was adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Approved this 26th day of June, 2018



Director



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