

Panola County Groundwater Conservation District  
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes  
August 25, 2020

A regular meeting of the Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, August 25, 2020, at 5:37p.m. in the District Conference Room at 419 W. Sabine Street, Carthage, Texas 75633 and via telephone. The following were in attendance:

Board Members:

Precinct #1: Mike Pennington  
Danny Reed – Via Telephone  
Precinct #2: Todd Malone  
Precinct #3: Denzel Harrison  
Precinct #4: Ronny McMillan  
Ray Davis  
At Large: Bud Worley

District Staff: Teresa Griffin, General Manager; Ashley Whitaker, Office Manager; David Waldrop, Field Technician/Inspector, Jess Landreneau, Field Technician – Via Telephone

Absent: Scott Yarnell, Precinct #3; John Burgess, Precinct #2

1. The regular board meeting was called to order by Mike Pennington, Board President, at 5:37p.m.
2. Ronny McMillan conducted the invocation.
3. There were no public comments at the August 25, 2020 Regular Board Meeting.
4. After reviewing the July 28, 2020 Public Hearing Meeting Minutes, Danny Reed moved, and Ray Davis seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
5. After reviewing the July 28, 2020 Regular Meeting Minutes, Danny Reed moved, and Denzel Harrison seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
6. After reviewing the August 4, 2020 Special Meeting Minutes, Ray Davis moved, and Bud Worley seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
7. After reviewing the 2019 District financial audit presented by Morgan LaGrone of Morgan LaGrone, CPA, Todd Malone moved and Ray Davis seconded the motion to approve the 2019 financial audit. The motion passed unanimously.
8. The proposed final 2021 District Budget and the 2020 proposed tax rate of 0.01010 dollars per \$100 valuation, as documented by Resolution 2020-03, were discussed Ray Davis moved and Denzel Harrison seconded the motion to approve the 2020 proposed tax rate of \$0.01010 /\$100

by Resolution 2020-03 and Bud Worley moved and Dany Reed seconded the motion to approve the final 2021 District Budget. The motion passed unanimously.

9. The 2020 Election Agent, Teresa Griffin, certified that the candidates for Director positions in Precincts 1, 2, 3, 4, and At Large were unopposed in the 2020 election. Ronny McMillan then moved to approve the Order of Cancellation for the 2020 Directors Election. Bud Worley seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
10. The General Manager gave routine office updates. There was no action taken.
11. District staff provided updates on monitor wells, rain gauges, and other District field work. The monthly monitor deep well readings showed a water level decline of 0.1 feet in the last month. The shallow monitor well water levels showed a decline of 0.0 feet in the last month. Panola County's recorded rainfall average for July was 7.57 inches. The historical precipitation average for July is 3.20 inches. As of August 4th 2020, there is no drought in Panola County according to the U.S. Drought Monitor for Texas. In the last month, water levels have dropped significantly due to pumping for frac ponds in the Bethany and Elysian Fields areas, while water levels have been stable in other areas.
12. After reviewing the District's expenditures from July 24, 2020 to August 20, 2020, Danny Reed moved, and Denzel Harrison seconded the motion to approve the payment of expenditures as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
13. The board did not enter into executive session.
14. Since no executive session was convened, no action was taken
15. The next board meeting was set for September 22, 2020 at 5:30 p.m. at the District office.
16. With no further business, Ronny McMillan moved, and Bud Worley seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously of those present, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:11 p.m.

Approved this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of September 2020.

  
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