Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes May 23, 2023

A regular meeting of the Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, May 23, 2023, at 5:33 p.m. in the District Conference Room at 419 W. Sabine Street, Carthage, Texas 75633. The following were in attendance:

Board Members:

Precinct #1

Mike Pennington

Danny Reed

Precinct #2

Todd Malone

Precinct #3:

Jody Harris

Mike Roquemore

Precinct #4:

Corey Turner

Charles Foster

At Large:

District Staff: Teresa Griffin, General Manager; David Waldrop, Field Technician/Inspector;

Eric Solis, Field Technician

Other:

Morgan LaGrone, Morgan LaGrone, CPA

Absent:

John Burgess, Precinct #2; Charles Worley, At-Large.

- 1. The regular board meeting was called to order by Mike Pennington, Board President, at 5:53p.m.
- Charles Foster conducted the invocation.
- 3. There was no public comment at the May 23, 2023, Regular Board Meeting.
- 4. Morgan LaGrone of Morgan LaGrone CPA presented the District's 2022 Financial Audit. Todd Malone moved to accept the financial audit, Charles Foster seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously of those present.
- 5. After reviewing the April 25, 2023, Public Hearing Meeting Minutes, Todd Malone moved, and Danny Reed seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. After reviewing the April 25, 2023, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, Mike Roquemore moved, and Corey Turner seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Resolution 2023-03 appointing the Panola County Tax Assessor and the district's General Manager to calculate and publish the District's 2023 effective and roll-back tax rates, was presented. Charles Foster made a motion to approve the Resolution, Danny Reed seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously of those present.

- 8. The General Manager gave routine office updates. There was no action taken.
- 9. District staff provided updates on monitor wells, rain gauges, and other District field work. The monthly monitor deep well readings showed a water level increase of .36 feet in the last month. The shallow monitor well water levels showed an increase of .62 feet in the last month. Panola County's recorded rainfall average for April was 7.25 inches. The historical precipitation average for April is 4.39 inches. The cumulative precipitation total for 2023 is 20.89 inches. As of May 3rd 2023, Panola County is in a No Drought status according to the U.S. Drought Monitor for Texas. In the last month, there have been no significant drawdowns near frac ponds, and water levels have increased in other areas.
- 10. After reviewing the district's expenditures from April 22, 2023 to May 19, 2023, Danny Reed moved, and Corey Turner seconded the motion to approve the expenditures as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
- 11. The Board did not enter into executive session at the May 23, 2023, meeting.
- 12. No action to be taken.
- 13. Next meeting date is set for June 27, 2023.
- 14. With no further business, Mike Roquemore moved, and Jody Harris seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously of those present, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:33 p.m.

Approved this 27th day of June 2023.

Director

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