

Panola County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
February 20, 2024

A regular meeting of the Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 5:30 pm. 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 John Burgess
Todd Malone

Precinct #3: Jody Harris

Precinct #4: Charles Foster

At Large: Charles Worley

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

Absent: Danny Reed, Precinct #1, Mike Roquemore, Precinct #3, Corey Turner, Precinct #4.

1. The regular board meeting was called to order by Mike Pennington, Board President at 5:32 P.M.
2. Mike Pennington conducted the invocation.
3. There was no public comment at the February 20, 2024, Regular Board Meeting.
4. After reviewing the December 19, 2023, Regular Board Meeting Minutes, Charles Worley moved, and John Burgess seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously.
5. The District's 2023 Annual Report was presented; Charles Foster made a motion to approve Resolution 2024-01 adopting the Annual Report. Charles Worley seconded the motion, and the motion was carried unanimously.
6. After discussion on purchasing educational models from Robert Reid Studio, Charles Foster made a motion to purchase the aquifer model and rainwater harvesting model, Charles Worley seconded the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
7. The Board reviewed the proposal letter from Morgan LaGrone, CPA, to provide services for the preparation of the District's 2023 Financial Statement. Todd Malone made a motion to approve the proposal Charles Foster seconded and the motion passed unanimously.
8. The Executive Committee was discussed. Charles Foster and John Burgess were appointed by Mike Pennington and Todd Malone to the Executive Committee for 2024.

9. The General Manager gave routine office updates. There was no action taken.
10. District staff provided updates on monitor well, rain gauges, and other District field work. The monthly monitor deep well readings showed a water level increase of 0.79 feet in the last month. The shallow monitor well water levels showed an increase of 0.92 feet in the last month. Panola County's recorded rainfall average for January was 10.05 inches. The historical precipitation average for January is 4.28 inches. The cumulative precipitation total for 2024 is 10.05 inches. As of February 13, 2024, Panola County's drought status is none, 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.
11. After reviewing the Quarterly Investment Report and the expenditures from December 16, 2023, to February 16, 2024, Todd Malone moved, and Charles Worley seconded the motion to approve the expenditures as presented. The motion passed unanimously.
12. The board did not enter Executive Session at the February 20, 2024, meeting.
13. Since the board did not enter Executive Session, no action has been taken.
14. Next meeting date was set for March 26, 2024, at 5:30 P.M
15. With no further business, Charles Foster moved, and John Burgess seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously of those present, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:44 P.M.

Approved this 26th day of March 2024



Director



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