



MINUTES

GCGCD

GUADALUPE COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

200 N. Austin St., Ste. 301

Seguin, Texas 78155

Thursday, February 10, 2022

CALL TO ORDER – President Hil Starcke called the meeting to order at 4:32 PM

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

DETERMINE A QUORUM - Verified. Board members in attendance: Hilmar Starcke, Bill Jones, Mark Gustafson, Jeff Schuehle, A. Robert Raetzsch, and Hilmar Blumberg.

Others in Attendance: Kelley Cochran, Omar Maldonado, Bill Klemt, Amber Beard and Humberto Ramos.

1. **Invitation of citizens or Directors to speak in advance of District’s regular business (limited to 3 minutes each – agenda items/non-agenda items).** No Comments.
2. **Approve Minutes of regular meeting held on January 13, 2022.** Motion to approve January 13, 2022, minutes by Hilmar Blumberg. Second by Mark Gustafson. Motion passed unanimously.
3. **Review Palmer Drought Index, TWDB Drought Report and Rain Fall in GCGCD area.**
Reviewed. Omar notified the Board about the inclusion of the Randolph Auxiliary Field TexMesonet station to the rainfall totals.
4. **Review Production data January 2022.** Reviewed
5. **Report from Public Funds Investment Officer – Kelley Cochran, GM** – transferred \$50,000 from First United Bank to TexPool on February 1st.
6. **Discussion and possible action to approve Financial Reports for January 2022.** Motion to approve financial reports for January 2022 by Bill Jones. Second by Hilmar Blumberg. Motion passed unanimously.
7. **Discussion and possible action to approve 2021 GCGCD Manager’s Report.** Motion to approve 2021 GCGCD Manager’s Report by Bill Jones. Second by Mark Gustafson. Motion passed unanimously.
8. **Presentation by Shawn Vickers, Kiva Consulting - Carrizo Saturated Thickness Model update.**
Postponed.
9. **REPORTS**

A. Kelley Cochran: General Manager Report

- * **Association updates** – TGWA Geoscience Seminar Jan. 25th was a great success. Raised over \$12,000 for the Association. Attended TGWA 75th Annual Convention in Frisco. TAGD: Attended Winter Business meeting, Legislative update SB 152 Perry expected to be refiled – changes to Ch. 36 addressing ways for the public to petition District to modify rules, timelines for Management Plans, 2021 GCD Salary Study available to members; RRC research & investigations continue to verify new aquifer ‘Maverick Aquifer’; TWDB – Working with BEG, RRC, & USGS TWRI to coordinate data collection & analysis, will consider potential aquifer designation based on findings with GCD involvement; Developing new idea to

include water budgets in next management plan GAM Runs, working to survey GCDs for input to determine if this would be beneficial; GMA 13: Met January 14th – Group adopted Resolution addressing need to include conflict of interest clauses in future legal documents with consultants, completed & submitted Explanatory Report to TWDB with Jordan Furnas, Under review – sending additional requested model files – once Administratively Complete – each GCD will formally adopt the DFCs, MAGS will be issued, Next scheduled meeting April 22nd; TDLR – new Executive Director Mike Arismendez; TWF: TWL Program Class of 2022 applications now being accepted. Texas Runs on Water campaign awareness joined with Austin Marathon fundraiser; budget committee to schedule meeting in April.

* **Other District business** – Omar & I attended webinar on Robert’s Rules of Order specific to minutes for political subdivisions; GCGCD Winter 2021/22 Newsletter published; Working with CRWA to renew current Carrizo & Wilcox permits – actionable next month’s meeting; pre-application meeting to discuss Wells Ranch Phase 3; GCGCD held a Water Well Mitigation Workshop Jan. 21st – developing methodology for science- based modeling of future drawdowns/production/potential impact zones; Attorney General ruled on Public Information Request; Irrigation permit renewal Pecanderosa (Schoolcraft 50 AF/Y) before April 2022; working on industrial permit application; Redistricting update; upgrading copier – end of Xerox contract.

- B. Omar Maldonado – Field Report.** Observed erosion near MWCZ-8 on FM 1117; took a tour of the CRWA Wells Ranch Plant on January 27th; Region L meeting rescheduled due to inclement weather to February 17th; attended Region 11 Flood Planning Group meeting on February 9th and talked to Brian Perkins of GBRA.
- C. William B. Klemt, PG - Consulting Hydrogeologist** – Bill Klemt delivered his water level report for January 2022; Carrizo water levels dropped 1.8 feet between January 2021 and January 2022; Long term Carrizo water level decline of less than one half foot/year WX water levels rose around 1.4 feet between January 2021 and January 2022.
- D. CRWA** – CRWA staff met with GCGCD staff to discuss future permits along with Wells Ranch Phase 3; CRWA highlighted that 231 acre-feet of Carrizo water and 3,788 acre-feet of Wilcox water were available to be permitted in Guadalupe County; 30 applications were received for the GM position at CRWA, and they expect a decision by April.
- E. SSLGC** – Pilot wells for Carrizo wells 2, 3,4,6 and 7 along with the Wilcox well were drilled; construction on the parallel pipeline project is underway with the completion date scheduled for the end of 2022; construction is underway for the Guadalupe County water treatment plant; estimated date of completion for the Guadalupe County SSLGC well field and treatment plant in May 2023. Bill Klemt is working with SSLGC evaluating the logs.
- F. SHWSC** – No report given. Kelley connected with Daniel Pepin, GM and is working toward having a representative from SHWSC attend our meetings. SHWSC’s website indicates that applications are being accepted for director positions.
- G. CCSUD** - Report provided by Stephanie via text message. Elevated Storage Tank (EST) at Boeder and Zorn projects are underway. Construction PKG 7 is underway

which will connect one side of the district with the other.

10. **Possible items for discussion/consideration at next meeting.** CRWA Wilcox & Carrizo permits, and Schoolcraft irrigation permit renewals scheduled for the next meeting.
11. **Frederick, Perales, Allmon & Rockwell, P.C. (Executive Session Recommended).** No executive session.
12. **ADJOURNMENT** – Meeting adjourned at 5:13 PM.


Hilmar Blumberg, Secretary

3-10-22

Date

