



# MINUTES

## GCGCD

### GUADALUPE COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

200 N. Austin St., Ste. 301

Seguin, Texas 78155

Thursday, March 10, 2022

**CALL TO ORDER** – Vice President Jeff Schuehle called the meeting to order at 4:30 PM

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**DETERMINE A QUORUM** - Verified. Board members in attendance: Jeff Schuehle, Bill Jones, Mark Gustafson, Matt Miranda, and Hilmar Blumberg.

Others in Attendance: Kelley Cochran, Omar Maldonado, Bill Klemt, Shawn Vickers, Mike Medina & 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).** Kelley introduced Mike Medina, production manager for SHWSC.
- 2. Approve Minutes of regular meeting held on February 10, 2022.** Motion to approve minutes of regular meeting held on February 10, 2022, by Mark Gustafson. Second by Matt Miranda. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Review Palmer Drought Index, TWDB Drought Report and Rain Fall in GCGCD area.** Reviewed
- 4. Review Production data February 2022.** Reviewed
- 5. Report from Public Funds Investment Officer – Kelley Cochran, GM** – researching interest rates for possible short-term CDs.
- 6. Discussion and possible action to approve Financial Reports for February 2022.** Motion to approve financial reports for February 2022 by Bill Jones. Second by Hilmar Blumberg. Bill Jones thanked Kim Illhardt, CPA for doing such a great job organizing and presenting the financial statements. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Discussion and possible action to renew Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District and Guadalupe County Groundwater Conservation District.** Motion to renew the Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between GCUWCD and GCGCD by Bill Jones. Second by Mark Gustafson. Motion passed unanimously.
- 8. Discussion and possible action to approve renewal of CRWA Carrizo permit (PWS-2017-CZ-01) for 2,603.413 AF/YR.** Kelley stated that the permit renewal meets criteria under District Rule 5.3 (g). Motion to approve renewal of CRWA Carrizo permit for 2,603.413 AF/YR by Matt Miranda. Second by Bill Jones. Motion passed unanimously.
- 9. Discussion and possible action to approve renewal of CRWA Wilcox permit (PWS-2017-WX-01) for 3,026 AF/YR.** Kelley stated that the permit renewal meets criteria under District Rule 5.3 (g). Motion to approve renewal of CRWA Wilcox permit for 3,026 AF/YR by Matt Miranda. Second by Hilmar Blumberg. Motion passed unanimously.
- 10. Discussion and possible action to approve renewal of Schoolcraft permit (IRR-2017-WX-01) irrigation permit for 50 AF/YR of Wilcox groundwater.** Kelley stated that the permit renewal meets criteria under District Rule 5.3 (g). Motion to approve renewal of Schoolcraft Wilcox

irrigation permit for 50 AF/YR by Matt Miranda. Second by Bill Jones. Motion passed unanimously.

11. **Evaluation of Saturated Thickness Model – Shawn Vickers, Kiva Consulting.** Shawn updated the board on the availability of data, including the BRACS database from TWDB, that is being reviewed by Bill Klemt and Shawn for possible inclusion in the update of the model.

## 12. REPORTS

- A. **Kelley Cochran: General Manager Report** – After Bill Klemt’s review and recommendation, I approved permit application for Industrial use well under Rule 5.3(a)(3) – less than 100 GPM. Edgar Just 2 AF/YR Wilcox groundwater.
    - **Association updates** – TAGD – attended Executive Committee meeting. TWDB – waiting for an administratively complete Explanatory Report – next meeting April 22<sup>nd</sup> – update Interlocal agreement for GMA 13.
    - **Other District business** – Update on redistricting; Upgraded Xerox, renewed contract; Added additional layer of security to website – working on updating website content.
  - B. **Omar Maldonado – Field Report.** Visited SSLGC well field site; attended February Region L meeting; visited new NRCS Seguin office and discussed groundwater issues; Earth Day festival booth planned; delivered presentation on TWDB brackish groundwater mapping update.
  - C. **William B. Klemt, PG - Consulting Hydrogeologist.** Klemt discussed the water level decline and changes in water level altitude in Gonzales County around the SSLGC and SAWS well fields and its effect on Guadalupe County.
  - D. **CRWA.** Interviews continue to find a new General Manager before the April deadline; seven entities involved with CRWA has established water needs by 2025; CRWA looking for 16,000 acre-feet of water rights to apply to the Wells Ranch #3 project while following the GCGCD 4-mile Rule; Texas Right of Way consulting on the acquisition of water rights. Draft Preliminary Engineering Report for Wells Ranch #3 project to be released in 45 days.
  - E. **SSLGC** – Amber is at the TWCA conference. Report from Walker Partners “Hydro has finished installing the screens for the Wilcox well and clarified the water (pumped dirty water out of the well). All the screens for the Carrizo wells have been ordered and should be on site within the next week or so”.
  - F. **SHWSC** – Mike Medina did not have a report. Kelley stated that she met w GM Daniel Pepin on March 8<sup>th</sup> to discuss water rights and the current and anticipated future needs of SHWSC.
  - G. **CCSUD.** Stephanie Haseloff sent an email to GCGCD which states the following: “CCSUD continues to look into new water sources as the interest in our district from both developers and single meter customers grows. Construction on our Boeder EST is close to complete and design for others in the district is under way. As always, I am available to answer any questions. Stay safe and healthy! ”
13. **Possible items for discussion/consideration at next meeting.** Bill Jones announced that the budget committee will be meeting April 7<sup>th</sup> and invited input from the other board member prior to the 7<sup>th</sup>.
  14. **Frederick, Perales, Allmon & Rockwell, P.C. (Executive Session Recommended)** – no update.
  15. **ADJOURNMENT.** Motion to adjourn by Bill Jones. Second by Matt Miranda. Meeting adjourned at 5:36 PM.

Hilmar Blumberg  
Hilmar Blumberg, Secretary  
4-21-22  
Date

