



# MINUTES

## GCGCD

### GUADALUPE COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Seguin Public Library

Community Meeting Room - First Floor

313 West Nolte Street

Seguin, TX 78155

Thursday, May 12, 2022

**CALL TO ORDER** – President Hilmar Starcke called the meeting to order at 4:38 PM.

#### **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

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

Others in Attendance: Kelley Cochran, Omar Maldonado, Bill Klemt, Shawn Vickers, 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 received.
- 2. Approve Minutes of regular meeting held on April 14, 2022.** Motion to approve minutes of regular meeting held on April 14, 2022, by Matt Miranda. Second by Mark Gustafson. Motion passed unanimously.
- 3. Review Palmer Drought Index, TWDB Drought Report and Rain Fall in GCGCD area.** Reviewed.
- 4. Discussion and possible action to adopt updated Drought Management Plan 2022.** Motion to adopt the updated 2022 Drought Management Plan by Jeff Schuehle. Second by Bill Jones. Motion passed unanimously.
- 5. Review Production data April 2022.** Reviewed.
- 6. Discussion and possible action to approve Financial Reports for April 2022.** Motion to approve Financial Reports for April 2022 by Bill Jones. Second by Matt Miranda. Motion passed unanimously.
- 7. Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution 05122022 Desired Future Conditions for Groundwater Management Area 13.** Missed posting requirements; will post again in June. No action taken.
- 8. Discussion and possible action to engage lobbying services of Phenix Saenz LLC for the 88<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session.** Motion to engage lobbying services of Phenix Saenz LLC for the 88<sup>th</sup> Legislative Session by Matt Miranda. Second by Bill Jones. Discussion on cost and value of lobbying service. Motion passed 4 to 3.
- 9. Discussion and possible action to engage services of Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP for redistricting political boundaries per 2020 census.** Motion to engage services of Allison, Bass & Magee, LLP for redistricting political boundaries per 2020 census by Matt Miranda. Second by Jeff Schuehle. Motion passed unanimously.
- 10. Consideration of Initial Assessment of District population for purposes of redistricting of the**

**Guadalupe County Groundwater Conservation District political boundaries following 2020 census.** Covered map of the initial assessment of District population for purposes of redistricting of the GCGCD political boundaries following 2020 census depicting deviation.

**11. Consideration and possible action to enter findings of fact relative to the 2020 Census.**

Motion to enter findings of fact relative to the 2020 Census by Mark Gustafson. Second by Robert Raetzsch. Motion passed unanimously.

**12. Consideration and possible action to adopt criteria for purposes of redistricting of the**

**Guadalupe County Groundwater Conservation District political boundaries.** Motion to adopt criteria for purposes of redistricting of the GCGCD political boundaries by Bill Jones. Second by Robert Raetzsch. Motion passed unanimously.

**13. Set a date for public hearing for consideration and possible action regarding adoption of revised political boundaries of the Guadalupe County Groundwater Conservation District following 2020 census, inconformity with application state and federal law.**

Motion to set a public hearing for consideration and possible action on adopting a revised political boundary plan of the GCGCD on July 14, 2022 by Bill Jones. Second by Jeff Schuehle. Motion passed unanimously.

**14. REPORTS**

**A. Kelley Cochran: General Manager Report**

- **Association updates** – Briefly discussed new development outside District boundary related to increased growth of the area and pumping of the Leona formation. TAGD business meeting in Arlington May 17<sup>th</sup>; American Ground Water Trust (AGWT) conference in Austin June 1-2.
- **Other District business** – Update on AGS - working on data assimilation with the District. GCGCD Management Plan set to expire December 29, 2022. Management Plan must be adopted District no later than September 29<sup>th</sup> (90 days before expiration) – must be submitted to TWDB no later than October 29<sup>th</sup> (60 days before expiration). District moving forward with plans to post internship program this Fall; Continued work on GMA 13 Interlocal Agreement with planning members and respective attorneys; Earth Day was great success.

**B. Omar Maldonado – Field Report.** GCGCD participated in the Seguin Earth Day Festival 2022; transducer in MWCZ-7 will be removed; attended Region L meeting.

**C. William B. Klemt, PG - Consulting Hydrogeologist.** Bill Klemt identified three different sand layers for potential drilling of three monitor wells around the Post Oak landfill; displayed cross sections.

**D. CRWA.** Humberto Ramos gave a report - CRWA Board held election - officers remain the same; left over funds from the Wells Ranch Phase 2 project to be used on generators; seven entities still need water; retirement party held for David Davenport; James Bene will be working with CRWA on permit applications for both Gonzales and Guadalupe Counties.

**E. SSLGC.** Amber Beard is currently at Texas Water Leaders – unable to attend meeting; report emailed: Parallel Pipeline project update: Garney Construction has completed all tunnels with the exception of the I-10 crossing which is under TXDOT review. Once approved, Garney will be allowed to proceed with the tunnel work. Garney has increased their production rate and anticipates being ready in May/June 2022. Guadalupe project update – The water treatment plant project – the chemical building, storage tank and raw water slabs have been poured. On-going coordination for the foundation design for the 2 MG clear well. The Guadalupe Water Wells project – GU 11 (Wilcox well) has completed

100 hours of development and is producing 800 GPM. Additional development is on-going for this well. GU 2 has the screens set and the pump will be installed soon.

- F. **SHWSC.** Daniel Pepin did not attend meeting. No report given.
- G. **CCSUD.** Stephanie emailed report - CCSUD continues to search for more water – CCSUD seeing increased interest by developers within their area. Boeder EST is at substantial completion with Final walk thru scheduled for next week
- 15. **Presentation of 2022 Carrizo Saturated Thickness Model by Shawn Vickers, Kiva Consulting.** Shawn Vickers delivered a presentation on the 2022 Carrizo Saturated Thickness Model and the differences between the 2003 model and the new 2022 model.
- 16. **Discussion and possible action to adopt 2022 Carrizo Saturated Thickness Model.** Motion to adopt the 2022 Carrizo Saturated Thickness Model by Hilmar Blumberg. Second by Matt Miranda. Motion passed unanimously.
- 17. **Discussion and possible action to set 2022 Annual Percentage Cap (APC).** Recognition of typo relating to APC – (Annual Production Cap). Motion to set the 2022 APC at 16,000 AF by Jeff Schuehle. Second by Matt Miranda. Discussion on the 2022 model calculations using an APC of 15,000. Motion to set 2022 APC at 16,000 AF passed 6 to 1.
- 18. **Discussion and possible action to set effective date of 2022 Annual Percentage Cap.** Motion to set the effective date of the 2022 Annual Production Cap of 16,000 AF on June 1<sup>st</sup> by Matt Miranda. Second by Jeff Schuehle. Motion passed unanimously.
- 19. **Discussion and possible action re: monitor wells near POCG.** Motion to agree on moving forward with the project and establishing specifications for the monitor wells by Robert Raetzsch. Second by Jeff Schuehle. Motion passed unanimously.
- 20. **Discussion and possible action to set date for GCGCD Rule Making hearing.** The Board discussed waiting to set a rule making hearing date until workshop(s) can be held. No action taken.
- 21. **Possible items for discussion/consideration at next meeting.** Consider holding Rules workshop to discuss Wilcox water rights allocation.
- 22. **Frederick, Perales, Allmon & Rockwell, P.C. (Executive Session Recommended).** No executive session.
- 23. **ADJOURNMENT.** Meeting ended at 6:47 PM.

  
Hilmar Blumberg, Secretary

6-9-22  
Date