

**Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District**  
**Minutes of the Board of Directors**  
**February 11, 2014**  
**Board Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District (the District) was called to order. Present for the meeting were directors: Bruce Tieken, Steve Ehrig, Barry Miller, and Kermit Thiele. Also present for the meeting were GCUWCD General Manager Greg Sengelmann, GCUWCD Well Mitigation Manager, Link Benson, and administrative assistant Sally Birkner. Other Attendees included: (See Attached List)

Public Comment: Public comments were made by Mr. Wayne LePori and Mr. Pat Rosato. A recording of the board meeting and comments received are filed at the District office.

The minutes from the January 14, 2014 Board Meeting were reviewed. Mr. Barry Miller made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Steve Ehrig seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Birkner gave the financial report. The directors approved the 3-month CD #011 to be rolled over. Mr. Bruce Tieken made a motion to approve the financial report and Mr. Kermit Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously

The Board reviewed the District's outstanding bills. The bills were as follows: \$97.28 to AT&T Mobility for basic mobile bill, \$211.04 to GVTC for phone and internet service, \$578.50 to the US Post Office for office rent, \$35.00 to Rockin'S Marketing & Design for website maintenance, \$180.00 to WorkSpace Infrastructure & Mobility LLC for computer services, \$171.42 to Ricoh for copier rental, \$2,573.80 to Mr. Greg Ellis for legal counsel, \$120.00 to TAGD for quarterly meeting, and \$49.00 to USPS for postage. Mr. Miller made a motion to pay the District's bills. Mr. Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Mitigation Fund's outstanding bills. The bills were as follows: \$226.60 to the US Post Office for office rent, \$14,871.00; \$3,164.10; \$1,741.60; and \$4,111.18 to B&S Water Well Service for water well mitigation. Mr. Thiele made a motion to pay the Mitigation Fund bills and Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board then discussed the agenda item concerning the proposed Titan Vacuum Services Salt Water Disposal Well (SWDW) permit application with the Texas Railroad Commission. Mr. Sengelmann presented the directors with the possibility of an agreement between Titan and the District, if the District's requirements were met. After a brief discussion, Mr. Miller made a motion to take no action on the proposed Titan disposal well. Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board discussed and took action on renewal of an irrigation well permit for Mrs. Laurel Ince. Mr. Sengelmann stated that the water well is in substantial compliance with the rules of the district. A motion was made by Mr. Thiele and seconded by Mr. Tieken to renew the permit. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Sengelmann gave information on monitoring water quality on the aquifers in the District. The directors and Mr. Sengelmann discussed the pros and cons of various labs they could use to test water quality. Money is budgeted for laboratory analysis but they may also want to consider just collecting field water quality measurements.

**Manager's Report:**

Mr. Sengelmann gave his monthly manager's report. During January, he measured water levels in the District's Wilcox, Carrizo, Queen City, and Sparta Aquifer observation wells. On January 8<sup>th</sup> he traveled to Lockhart to

post the Regular Board Meeting agenda. January 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> he attended the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts' legislative Workgroup Committee meetings on Aquifer Recovery and Storage, Oil & Gas, and Permitting. On January 21<sup>st</sup> he met with citizens protesting the Select Energy Services disposal well application to develop strategies for the upcoming hearing. January 24<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> he traveled across the district to locate all operating and permitted disposal wells in Gonzales County in preparation for the upcoming Select Energy Services disposal well hearing. The hearing was rescheduled at the request of Select Energy Services in order to revise the permit application. Mr. Sengelmann gave the water production reports for Schertz-Seguin Local Government Corporation, Aqua Water Supply Corporation, San Antonio Water Systems and Canyon Regional Water Authority. AQUA has temporarily shut-off the wells for water tank repairs. The Palmer Drought Index, as of February 4, 2014 indicates that we are in moderate drought conditions. Mr. Sengelmann went over the annual report. The 2013 annual report is available on the website.

The Board discussed and took action on the agenda item for paying the General Manager's, Administrative Staff, and Board Members' expenses for the month. Mr. Ehrig made a motion to approve the expenses. Mr. Miller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Mitigation Fund Manager's Report:

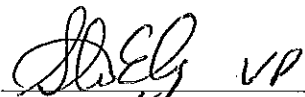
Mr. Benson gave his monthly manager's report. On January 3 he travelled to Leesville and met with Mrs. Perez about the water level dropping in her well. He took field water quality samples while he was there. January 6 he met with B&S Water Well Service to observe a camera survey being done on Mr. Radtke's well. The survey showed that the casing was cracked at 971 feet and the casing was plugged at 986 feet with debris. On January 8 he travelled to Oak Forest to look at the McDaniel well to discuss mitigation. The same day, he went to Smiley to the Parker place and met with B&S Water Well Service. B&S will change the well head to keep the well from flowing onto the ground. On January 9 he went back to Smiley to the Parker place to check on the completion of the well head. He went to the Perez place in Leesville on January 15 to discuss their water well. The tests that were run determined that their well was a Queen City well; therefore, the well did not qualify for mitigation. On January 29 he went to the McDaniel place at Oak Forest. He met with B&S Water Well Service and observed a pump being set in the well. Later that day, he went to Saturn to the Deacon place after they called and reported that their well water was cloudy and muddy. He took water samples of the well. Mr. Benson also read the Mitigation annual report. The 2013 annual report is available on the website.

The Board discussed and took action on paying the Mitigation Manager's expenses for the month. Mr. Miller made a motion to pay the Mitigation Manager's expenses and Mr. Ticken seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Adjourn:

A motion was made by Mr. Thiele to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Approved By:



March 11, 2014

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