

**Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District**  
**Minutes of the Board of Directors**  
**June 10, 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: Steve Ehrig, Barry Miller, Bruce Patteson and Kermit Thiele. Vice President Steve Ehrig presided over the meeting in President Bruce Ticken's absence. Also present for the meeting were GCUWCD General Manager Greg Sengelmann, GCUWCD Well Mitigation Manager Link Benson, Legal Counsel Greg Ellis and administrative assistant Laura Mills. Other Attendees included: (See Attached List)

Public Comment: Public comments were made by Mr. Ted Boriack. A recording of the board meeting and comments received are filed at the District office.

The minutes from the May 13, 2014 Board Meeting were reviewed. Mr. Barry Miller made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Bruce Patteson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Laura Mills gave the financial report. Mr. Patteson 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: \$93.06 to AT&T Mobility for basic mobile bill, \$207.70 to GVTC for phone and internet service, \$50.00 to Farm Bureau for Water Planning Summit, \$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, \$164.42 to Ricoh for copier rental, \$707.00 to GBRA for water samples, \$51.84 to Forestry Suppliers for conductivity equipment, \$4,500.00 to Floyd & Gindler, PC for 2012-13 Audit accounting fees, \$34.28 to Caldwell County Appraisal District for quarterly payment, and \$885.00 to 4-D Guest Ranch for lodge rental and meals. Mr. Miller made a motion to pay the District's bills. Mr. Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the Western and Eastern Mitigation Funds' outstanding bills. The bills for the Western Fund were as follows: \$8,868.45 and \$6,159.00 to B&S Water Well Service for water well mitigation. The bills for the Eastern Fund were as follows: \$226.60 to the US Post Office for office rent. Mr. Miller made a motion to pay the Western and Eastern Mitigation Fund bills and Mr. Patteson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board then discussed and took action on the annual audit report, presented by Mr. Jerry Floyd of Floyd & Gindler, PC. Mr. Floyd presented the audit report and offered answers to questions by the Board. After a brief discussion, Mr. Patteson made a motion to accept the audit report. Mr. Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board then discussed proposed amendments to the District's Rules. Mr. Greg Ellis discussed several sections to be amended or added to the Rules and provided a summary report of the comments received by the District. Mr. Ellis and the General Manager will schedule a meeting with the parties that provided comments for further clarification and discussion.

The Board went into Executive Session from 6:53-7:10 PM to discuss some details of the ruling on the Marathon Oil SWDW hearing. No decisions were made during Executive Session, so the meeting continued.

#### Manager's Report:

Mr. Sengelmann gave his monthly manager's report. On May 1<sup>st</sup> he travelled to San Antonio to attend the Region L planning Group meeting. On May 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, and 8<sup>th</sup> he and Laura Mills participated in the Texas AgriLife Extension Service's Water Fairs in Gonzales, Bastrop, and Caldwell Counties. On May 9<sup>th</sup> he registered two new wells in the Hamon Loop area. Based on the well construction details, he identified them as Yegua-Jackson Aquifer wells. May 13<sup>th</sup> he travelled to San Antonio to attend a presentation by students in the Environmental Studies and Geosciences program at Trinity University. On May 14<sup>th</sup> he travelled to Dewville to check on the water level in a well which is located on property owned by the SSLGC. May 16<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> he checked water levels in several Carrizo Aquifer wells in the Smiley and SAWS well field area at the request of Board Members. On May 22<sup>nd</sup> he and Greg Ellis attended the Marathon disposal well Commissioner's Conference in Austin. Then on May 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> he attended the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD) quarterly meeting in Austin. May 29<sup>th</sup> he attended the TAGD legislative committee meetings on brackish water and long-term permitting. On May 30<sup>th</sup> he registered six new wells. Based on location, water level elevation, water quality data, and/or reported well construction depth, he identified the wells as being completed in the Yegua-Jackson Aquifer. Mr. Sengelmann gave the water production reports for Schertz-Seguin Local Government Corporation, Aqua Water Supply Corporation, San Antonio Water System and Canyon Regional Water Authority. The Palmer Drought Index, as of June 3, 2014 indicates that we are in abnormally dry conditions.

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. Miller made a motion to approve the expenses. Mr. Patteson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

#### Mitigation Fund Manager's Report:

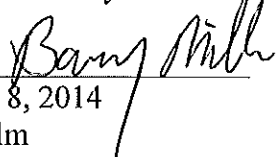
Mr. Link Benson gave his monthly manager's report. On May 1<sup>st</sup> he travelled to Nixon to meet with B&S Water Well Service (B&S) to discuss mitigation work for several wells. On May 2<sup>nd</sup> he met with Mr. Deharde in Seguin to discuss mitigation work. May 5<sup>th</sup> he went to Smiley and met with B&S to look at the Pickett well, as it was running out of water. He travelled to Seguin on May 9<sup>th</sup> for a meeting with Mr. Deharde regarding mitigation work. Mr. Benson also went to Smiley later in the day to meet with B&S to lower the pump in the Pickett well. On May 12<sup>th</sup> he met with B&S in Smiley to look at the Widdon well, as it had quit flowing. He met with Mr. Carl Sample in Smiley to look at the Elmo Sample well on May 13<sup>th</sup>. Later that day, he returned to Smiley to meet with B&S at the Sample well. Mr. Benson went to Nixon on May 14<sup>th</sup> to respond to a report that Mr. Bud Wuest's well had quit flowing—a pipe was broken. May 19<sup>th</sup> he travelled to Smiley to meet with B&S to pull the Pickett well so a camera survey could be done on the well. On May 21<sup>st</sup> he went to Smiley to meet with B&S to pull the Lester well to prepare for a camera survey. On May 22<sup>nd</sup> he returned to Smiley to observe the camera surveys being done in the Pickett and Lester wells. May 26<sup>th</sup> Mr. Benson met with B&S to set the pump in the Lester well. It was lowered another 60' giving a total of 360' for the pump depth. He met with B&S in Nixon on May 30<sup>th</sup> to discuss future mitigation work and invoicing.

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

#### Adjourn:

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

Approved By:

  
July 8, 2014  
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