

Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District
Minutes of the Board of Directors
July 14, 2015
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, Bruce Patteson and Kermit Thiele. Also present for the meeting was GCUWCD General Manager Greg Sengelmann, GCUWCD Well Mitigation Manager Link Benson, legal counsel Greg Ellis, and administrative assistant Laura Martin. Other Attendees included: (See Attached List)

State Representative, John Cyrier, of District 17 gave a presentation about recent water legislation bills passed by the legislative and signed by the governor. He reviewed the bills individually and identified sponsors of the bills.

Public Comment: Public comments were made by Mr. Pat Rosato and Mr. Wayne LePori.

The minutes from the June 10, 2015 Board Meeting were reviewed. Mr. Steve Ehrig made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Kermit Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The minutes from the June 18, 2015 Public Meeting were reviewed. Mr. Bruce Patteson made a motion to approve the minutes and Mr. Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Ms. Laura Martin gave the financial report. Mr. Thiele made a motion to approve the financial report with a correction of the Western Mitigation Fund total of \$74,749.90 and to renew/roll over CD 11 at Sage Capital Bank. Mr. Patteson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board reviewed the District's outstanding bills. The bills were as follows: \$108.22 to AT&T Mobility for basic mobile bill, \$199.57 to GVTC for phone and internet service, \$595.86 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, \$255.28 to Ricoh for copier rental, \$65.98 to Reese's Print Shop for office supplies, \$45.00 to State and Local Records Management for records training, \$86.25 to Gonzales Inquirer for Published Notice, \$70.92 to Lockhart Post Register for Published Notice, \$59.85 to Fisher Scientific for water quality lab supplies, and \$1,369.00 to B&S Water Well Drillers for work on TDLR wells. Mr. Patteson made a motion to pay the District's bills and June's corrected bills. Mr. Bruce Tieken 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: \$13,664.30 to B&S Water Well Service for water well mitigation. The bills for the Eastern Fund were as follows: \$233.40 to the US Post Office for office rent. Mr. Ehrig made a motion to pay the Western and Eastern Mitigation Fund bills and Mr. Thiele seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board and Mr. Sengelmann then discussed the agenda item concerning the appointment of Ms. Crystal Cedillo, Tax Assessor-Collector, as the individual to calculate and prepare the 2015 Effective and Rollback Tax Rates for GCUWCD. After a brief discussion, Mr. Thiele made a motion to appoint Crystal Cedillo to calculate and prepare the 2015 Effective and Rollback Tax Rates for GCUWCD. Mr. Tieken seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board next passed and approved a resolution to re-adopt the District's Investment Policy. Mr. Patteson made a motion to approve the resolution to re-adopt the District's Investment Policy and Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Board Meeting Sign in Sheet

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<u>Name</u>	<u>Organization/Email List</u>	<u>Landowner (yes or no)</u>
Jim Mathews	SAWS	Y
BEN MATHEWS		N
Pat Rosato	self	+
SALLY DODD		
Bill Klemm	self	N
Ken Holt	SAWS	
KENDALIGER	SELF	Y
Steven Stewart	SAWS	N
Chuck Ahrens	1.	N
Darren Thompson	SAWS	N
Steve Kasub	SAWS	N
Craig Hines	CRWA	Yes
Alan Cockerell	SSLGC	Yes
Paul & Helen Talley	self	Yes
Wayne & Paul	Self	Yes
Emmet Baker	self	Yes
Patrick Lindner	SSLGC	No
GRANAM MOORE	HCFUA	No
KRYSTLE SISK KERR	SELF	YES
Alison Anderson		YES
Mark Papp	WPA	Yes
Chris Johnson	The Gonzales Cannon	No.

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The Board discussed and took action on an Amicus Brief filed by the District of behalf of the Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District (POSGCD). The Amicus Brief was filed in response to a Petition for Inquiry on the POSGCD by Mr. Curtis Chubb, Ph.D. The brief is available in the district office for further review. Mr. Thiele made a motion to approve the Amicus Brief for Post Oak Savannah GCD without changes. Mr. Ehrig seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board, General Manager, and Legal Counsel went into executive session for attorney-client matters at 6:27 p.m. per Section 551.071 Government Code, and returned to session at 6:45 p.m.

Next, the Board discussed and took action on the request for renewal for San Antonio Water Systems public supply wells #1-9, drilling and production permit. Mr. Thiele made a motion to table the request until September, after the Proposed Rules have been approved. Mr. Patteson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Then the Board discussed a violation of permit conditions by Schertz-Seguin Local Government Corporation (SSLGC). SSLGC failed to comply with rule 20.A of the District, specifically not completing water quality testing and submitting results to the District for 2014. Mr. Ehrig made a motion to send a certified letter of compromise and settlement, which would impose a fee of \$500.00 and require a report identifying the steps SSLGC would take to prevent this violation from reoccurring as settlement for the violation.

The Board then discussed and took action on the request by Schertz-Seguin Local Government Corporation to renew its public supply wells number 1-12, drilling and production permits. Mr. Thiele made a motion to table the request until SSLGC addressed the compromise and settlement agreement. Mr. Patteson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Manager's Report:

Mr. Sengelmann gave his monthly manager's report. On June 3rd he traveled to Lockhart to post the March Board Meeting agenda. On June 2, 5, 11, 12, 15, 22, 23, 24, 25, and 30th Mr. Sengelmann measured water levels in the District's Wilcox, Carrizo, Queen City, Sparta, and Yegua-Jackson Aquifer observation wells. On June 3rd and 4th he traveled to Austin to attend the Texas Alliance of Groundwater District's (TAGD) quarterly meeting. Topics of discussion included a legislative update and developing an online water well management system. He also attended the Public Financial Investment Acts training provided by TAGD. On June 9th and 10th Laura Martin traveled to Austin to attend a Records Retention class. On June 23rd Mr. Sengelmann met with representatives of the Texas Water Alliance to discuss their interest in the Guadalupe Blanco River Authority's Mid-Basin project and how the project might operate under our rules. On June 24th he traveled to Lockhart to post the Rules Hearing Notice and Special Called Board Meeting agenda. On June 29th he met with the Guadalupe Blanco River Authority and the U.S. Geological Survey to discuss their pending proposal to characterize the Interactions between the Guadalupe River and the Carrizo Aquifer. They are reviewing our water well database to assess which wells to use in the study. SSLGC's June production was about 945 ac-ft which is about 59% of the monthly allowable production. CRWA's June production was about 264 ac-ft which is about 79% of the monthly allowable production. SAWS June production was about 1,489 ac-ft which is about 108% of the monthly allowable production. AQUA's May production was about 29 ac-ft which is about 7% of the monthly allowable production. The Palmer Drought Index, as of June 30, 2015 indicates that we are not under any drought conditions. Mr. Sengelmann gave a brief presentation of the water quality sampling conducted by the district and informed the public that the results are available online.

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

Mitigation Fund Manager's Report:

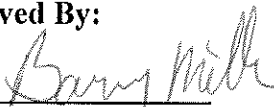
Mr. Link Benson gave his monthly manager's report. On June 1st, he traveled to Nixon and met with B&S to discuss mitigation work. On June 6th, he traveled to Smiley to the Mac Morris well site and met with Justen to discuss the well. On June 8th, he traveled to Smiley to the Mac Morris well site to look at the casing size and valves on top. On June 12th, Mr. Benson traveled to Bebe and met Sam Henderson to look at a well for possible mitigation. On June 15th, he traveled to New Braunfels and went to the TDLR meeting on rules and talked to Mr. Adam Foster. On June 18th, he traveled to Smiley to start reviewing wells for TDLR. On June 19th, he traveled to Smiley to review wells for TDLR. On June 20th, he traveled to Smiley to review wells for TDLR. On June 21st, he traveled to Smiley and met with Bruce Patteson to look at wells for TDLR. On June 22nd, he traveled to Smiley and spent the day with Adam Foster a TDLR representative looking at wells. We found numerous wells in violation such as the top of the well not being cemented properly, and comingling and salt water flowing out of the well onto the ground. On June 25th, he traveled to Smiley to the Colmery well site for review for possible mitigation. On June 28th, he traveled to Nixon and met with B&S to discuss mitigation.

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

Adjourn:

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

Approved By:



August 11, 2015

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