

**COASTAL BEND GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

AGENDA PREPARED AND POSTED: November 14, 2008
DATE OF MEETING: November 18, 2008
TIME OF MEETING: 8:00 A.M.

PLACE WHERE MEETING WAS HELD: District Office, 109 E. Milam, WHARTON, TEXAS 77488.

I. In Attendance:

Ronald Gertson – President CBGCD; L.G. Raun – Vice President CBGCD; Leonard Wittig – Director CBGCD; Edmund Weinheimer – Secretary CBGCD; Neil Hudgins – Manager CBGCD; Mandy Bain – Administrative Assistant CBGCD.

II. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 8:05 A.M.

III. Public Comments:

None.

IV. Approval of Minutes:

Secretary Weinheimer made a motion to accept the minutes as presented. Vice President Raun seconded. All voted for; motion carried.

V. Manager's Report:

Financial Report – Mr. Hudgins reported a checking account balance of \$ 3,966.38 and a money market balance of \$559,448.16. A budget vs. actual and a list of total District investments was also presented. Secretary Weinheimer made a motion to approve the financial report as presented. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried.

Well Registration Update – Mr. Hudgins presented the Board with a detailed breakdown of current Exempt and Non Exempt Well Information. The current information sheet represents the 2008-2010 permit term water numbers. There are a total of 4,149 wells registered. 723 of the 4,149 are non exempt wells.

Well Monitoring Update – Mr. Hudgins presented the Board with the water level readings for the month of November. Due to excessive pumping in 2007, the water levels are not recharging as quickly as has been patterned in the past.

Water Use Report – Staff presented the Board with a report of the 2007 water usage. One hundred percent of the reports were reported on the summary sheet. Due to excessive rainfall in 2007, only 21% of the permitted water amounts have been used for this year.

GMA 15 – Mr. Hudgins recapped a meeting held by GMA 15 on Wednesday, November 5, 2008 in Victoria. The meeting was to acknowledge the groundwater availability numbers that the District's affected by Region L will be submitting to Region L for their use in the regional planning process. The currently requested GAM run should be available from TWDB soon. GMA 15 will hold off on meeting until the GAM run is complete and all members have had time to review.

URS Update – Steve Young with URS held a meeting with the review committee from the Coastal Plains and Coastal Bend GCD boards on Monday, November 10, 2008. The committee members were pleased with the detailed information Steve presented. The Board would like GeoTrans to present a final review of the URS model at the January meeting.

- VI. **Budget Amendment:** Vice President Raun made a motion to transfer \$3,000 from reserve funds to Furniture and Fixtures in the budget for the purchase of two fire proof filing cabinets. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried.
- VII. **Participation in TCDRS Retirement Plan:** After discussion and review the authorization to maintain TCDRS plan provisions for plan year 2009, Vice President Raun made a motion to increase the Board's matching rate for 100% to 120% on Future Only contributions. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried.
- VIII. **Oath of Office for Elected Officials:** Notary Public Mandy Bain performed the swearing of the Oath of Office ceremony for the Directors that were re-elected. Positions re-elected were Leonard Wittig – Director, Precinct 1 and L.G. Raun – Director, Precinct 4.
- IX. **Election of Officers:** Secretary Weinheimer made a motion to elect the officers as follows: President – Ronald Gertson, Precinct 2, Vice President/Treasurer – L.G. Raun, Precinct 4, Secretary – Edmund Weinheimer, Jr., At Large. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for, motion carried.
- X. **Codification of District's Enabling Legislation:** Mr. Hudgins will request Greg Ellis, the District's Attorney, to file the codification with the change of the election dates.
- XI. **TAGD Amicus Briefs:** After review and discussion, Secretary Weinheimer made a motion to pledge up to \$500 for the Rolling Plains v. City of Aspermont amicus brief and up to \$500 for the EAA v. Day & McDaniel amicus brief. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried.
- XII. **TAGD Bylaws:** Each Board member was given a redline copy of the Amended and Approved Bylaw changes for the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts.
- XIII. **Re-Adopting Rules with Suggested Changes from District's Attorney, Greg Ellis:** After review and discussion, Vice President Raun made a motion to propose the re-adopting of the CBGCD Rules with all suggested changes from the District's Attorney, Greg Ellis. Secretary Weinheimer seconded. All voted for; motion carried. Staff will insert a summary of proposed rule changes in the Water Use mail out.
- XIV. **Unfinished Business:** None.
- XV. **Next Meeting:** The next general board meeting was set for Tuesday, January 13, 2009 at 8:00 a.m. at the Extension Service Office, 210 S. Rusk, Wharton, Texas.
- XVI. **Adjournment:** Secretary Weinheimer made a motion to adjourn. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried. Adjournment at 9:43 a.m.