COASTAL BEND GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

AGENDA PREPARED AND POSTED: August 10, 2012
DATE OF MEETING: August 14, 2012
TIME OF MEETING: 8:00 A.M.

PLACE WHERE MEETING WAS HELD: Coastal Bend GCD Office, 109 E. Milam, WHARTON, TEXAS 77488.

I. In Attendance:

Ronald Gertson – President CBGCD; LG Raun – Vice President CBGCD; Ed Weinheimer – Secretary CBGCD; Arthur Priesmeyer – Director; Leonard Wittig – Director CBGCD; Neil Hudgins – Manager CBGCD; , Jaime Bosch – Office Manager CBGCD, Steve Young, Phillip Spenrath.

II. Call to Order:

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

III. Public Comments:

None

IV. Approval of Minutes:

Vice President Raun made a motion to accept the June 28, 2012 regular meeting minutes as presented and the June 28, 2012 permit hearing minutes as presented. Director Priesmeyer seconded. All voted for; motion carried.

V. Manager's Report:

<u>Financial Report</u> – Mr. Hudgins reported a checking account balance of \$ 59,616.91 and a money market balance of \$ 899,384.15. A budget vs. actual and the balance sheet for June & July was also presented. After discussion and review, Director Priesmeyer made a motion to approve the checking account balance, the money market account balance, and a list of detailed checks and deposits for the months of June & July as presented. Secretary Weinheimer seconded. All voted for; motion carried.

<u>Well Monitoring Update</u> – Mr. Hudgins presented the Board with the July well monitoring report. The index wells indicate that the water level is holding steady from last month's report. Comparing the July 2011 and 2012 reports the average index level was three feet higher.

<u>Well Registration Update</u> – Mr. Hudgins presented the Board with a detailed breakdown of current Exempt and Non Exempt Well Information for the 2011-2013 permitting term.

<u>2011 Water Use Report</u> – One Hundred percent of the water use reports have been submitted to the District. As of May 23 2012, 186,945 acre feet has been reported to the District.

Upcoming Meetings – Texas Water Law, September 10-11, 2012 in Austin.

- VI. **Review and Approve Permit Applications:** After discussion and review of the permit applications, Director Priesmeyer made a motion to approve permits OP-05011033 for Alys Schoeneberg, OP-12080101 for Three Griffins Land & Cattle, LLC., OP-12080102 for Forest English. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for, motion carried.
- VII. Review and Discuss Engagement Letter from Reed & Associates, PC: After discussion and review of the engagement letter from Reed & Associates, Vice President Raun made a motion to approve the engagement for upcoming services

- provided, with a note being made that next year the district get additional bids for auditor services. Secretary Weinheimer seconded. All voted for, motion carried.
- VIII. **Order of November 6, 2012 Election:** Director Priesmeyer made a motion to order an Election for Directors for the November 6, 2012 election for the positions of Precinct #1,- Director and Precinct #3 Director. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried.
- IX. **District Investment Policy:** After discussion and review, Director Weinheimer made a motion to make no changes to the current District Investment Policy. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried.
- X. **Annual Evaluation of District rules on Prevention of Groundwater Waste:** After reviewing the current Coastal Bend Groundwater Conservation District rules regarding the prevention of groundwater waste there was board consensus that no changes should be made.
- XI. Review and Consider Approval of Irrigation Metering Grant Contract: After discussion and review, Director Priesmeyer made a motion to approve the grant contract. Vice President Raun seconded.
- XII. Review and Discuss Budget Amendments: Mr. Hudgins informed the board that a budget amendment was needed to increase the amount in Advertising/Public Notices for \$500 and suggested this money be taken from Machinery & Equipment. He also requested to increase the amount in Office Supplies for \$300.00 to be taken from Machinery & Equipment. An additional amendment was suggested to increase the amount in GW Modeling for \$4500 as well as Attorney for \$7000 to be taken from designated GW Modeling funds and designated Attorney funds. The budget line items pertain to covering fees for GW Modeling and Attorney that are in excess of the maximum allowed to be carried over to the next fiscal year. Vice Chairman Raun made the motion to make suggested amendments. Secretary Weinheimer seconded. All voted for; motion carried.
- XIII. **Review and Propose 2012-2013 Budget:** Mr. Hudgins presented the board with a proposed budget for the upcoming fiscal year beginning October 1, 2012. After board consideration and review, Vice President Raun made a motion to approve propose 2012-2013 budget with total expenses being \$304,079.10. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried.
- XIV. **Propose 2012-2013 Tax Rate:** Mr. Hudgins suggested to the board that a tax rate of .00725 should generate enough tax revenue to cover the anticipated expenses for the upcoming fiscal year considering \$40,000.00 will be used from the district's unassigned fund balance.
- XV. **Presentation by Steve Young of Intera:** Steve spoke about sensitivity of predicted drawdown in Wharton County compared to pumping.
- XVI. **Discussion of Historic Use Protection Options:** The board and staff discussed different historic use protection options that could give wells with historic user designation extra protection if the board was forced to limit production to achieve our Desired Future Condition.
- XVII. Unfinished Business: none
- XVIII. Public Comments/Announcements: none
- XIX. **Next Meeting**: The next general board meeting was set for Tuesday, September 04, 2012 at 8:00 a.m. at the District Office.
- XX. **Adjournment:** Director Priesmeyer made a motion to adjourn. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried. Adjournment at 10:50 a.m.