

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

AGENDA PREPARED AND POSTED: January 04, 2024
DATE OF MEETING: January 09, 2024
TIME OF MEETING: 8:00 A.M.

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

In Attendance:

Ronald Gertson – President CBGCD; Daniel Berglund – Vice-President/Treasurer CBGCD; Tim Anderson – Secretary CBGCD; Aland Wittig – Director CBGCD; Alan Heskamp – Director CBGCD; Neil Hudgins – Manager CBGCD; Jaime Bosch – Office Manager CBGCD; Kevin Cadenhead; Judge Spenrath

I. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 8:04 A.M. by President Gertson.

II. Public Comments:

None

III. Approval of Minutes:

Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the November 14, 2023 meeting minutes as presented. Secretary Anderson seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

V. Manager's Report:

Financial Report – Mr. Hudgins reported a checking account balance of \$173,171.49; a money market account balance of \$295,469.23; 2018 CD balance of \$846,249.39; 2020 CD balance \$552,452.59. A budget vs. actual and the balance sheet were also presented. After discussion and review, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Secretary Anderson seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

Quarterly Investment Report – Mr. Hudgins presented the board with the quarterly investment report. After discussion and review, Secretary Anderson made a motion to approve the report as presented. Vice-President seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

Well Monitoring Update – Mr. Hudgins presented the board with the monthly monitor well levels as of January 2024. The index well graph shows 2-foot recovery from the previous month of December 2023 and 2.5 feet lower than January 2023. The Lissie transducer shows a similar trend to the index wells and the level as January 2023.

Upcoming Meetings – January 16th GMA 15 and January 16th Region K

VI. Audit Presentation by Kennemer, Masters & Lunsford, LLC: Kevin Cadenhead, with KM&L, reviewed the advisement letter for the board, explained the detail 2022-2023 audit information, and answered any questions. After review and discussion, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the audit as presented. Secretary Anderson seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

VII. Discussion to Approve Permit Applications: President Gertson opened the public hearing for permit applications at 8:04 a.m.; asked if there was anyone present to give public comments; after hearing none, President Gertson closed the public hearing at 8:04 a.m. Mr. Hudgins presented the following permit applications: OP-23122901 for

Garrett Cerny; OP-23122903 for Irene Cerny; OP-A05012503 for William Gavranovic, Jr.; OP-A05011011 for William Gavranovic, Jr.; and OP-23122902 for 3S Real Estate Investments. After review and discussion, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the permits as presented and OP-23122902 for 3S Real Estate Investments with the modification to change from 350 acres of rice for 2024 & 2025 to 150 acres of rice for 2024 & 2025 changing the 3 year permit amount to 1475 acre-feet. Director Heskamp seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

- VIII. **General Counsel’s Report on Groundwater Litigation and Legislation:** None
- IV. **PDSI:** The report shows moderate drought in CBGCD area.
- IX. **Possible Future Agenda Items:** None
- X. **Public Comments/Announcements:** None
- XI. **Set Next Meeting Date and Agenda:** Vice-President Berglund made a motion that the next CBGCD board meeting be set for Tuesday, March 12, 2024 at the CBGCD office. Director Heskamp seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
- XII. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 9:03 a.m.