

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

AGENDA PREPARED AND POSTED: November 09, 2018
DATE OF MEETING: November 13, 2018
TIME OF MEETING: 8:00 A.M.

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

I. In Attendance:

Ronald Gertson – President CBGCD; L.G. Raun – Vice-President; Edmund Weinheimer – Secretary CBGCD; Daniel Berglund – Director CBGCD; Aland Wittig – Director CBGCD; Neil Hudgins – Manager CBGCD; Jaime Bosch – Office Manager CBGCD; Greg Ellis; Steve Cooper; Judge Spenrath; Courtney Sladek; London Davis; Mindi Snider

II. Call to Order:

The meeting was called to order at 8:06 A.M. by President Gertson.

III. Public Comments:

El Campo City Manager, Mindi Snider, introduced the new El Campo Deputy City Manager, Courtney Sladek.

IV. Approval of Minutes:

Director Berglund made a motion to accept the meeting, permit hearing, budget hearing, and tax rate hearing minutes for September 11, 2018 as presented. Secretary Weinheimer seconded. All voted for; motion carried.

V. Manager's Report:

Financial Report – Mr. Hudgins reported a checking account balance of \$156,489.42; a money market balance of \$136,079.37; 2018 CD balance of \$400,000; and 2016 CD balance of \$512,915.16. A budget vs. actual and the balance sheet for October was also presented. After discussion and review, Secretary Weinheimer made a motion to approve the financials as presented. Director Berglund seconded. All voted for; motion carried.

Quarterly Investment Report – Mr. Hudgins presented the board with the current investments of CBGCD funds. After discussion and review, Secretary Weinheimer made a motion to approve the investments as presented. Director Berglund seconded. All voted for; motion carried. It was also discussed that the 2016 CD will be reinvested at the highest rate for the January renewal with board approval.

Well Monitoring Update – Mr. Hudgins presented the board with the monitor well levels as of November 01, 2018. The index well graph shows a 3.5-foot recovery from the previous month of October. The critical depletion study area monitor wells show a similar recovery. It was discussed that Mr. Hudgins and Mr. Ellis will work on a draft easement agreement and/or an outline to negotiate an agreement with the land owner to drill replacement monitor wells.

Upcoming Meetings – None

VI. Oath of Office for New Directors: President Ronald Gertson, Secretary Ed Weinheimer, and Director Daniel Berglund took the oath of office as presented by Judge Philip Spenrath before the board. No additional action was needed by the board.

VII. Discussion to Approve Permit Applications: After discussion and review of the permit application for James L. & Connie Cranek & Hank & Leslie Cranek – OP-

18110101; Gulf Stream Construction Company – OP-18110102; and Lamberti U.S.A – OP-05012103, Director Berglund made a motion to approve the permit applications as presented. Secretary Weinheimer seconded. All voted for; motion carried.

- VIII. **Review and Discuss Engagement Letter From Kennermer, Masters & Lunsford:** After discussion, Secretary Weinheimer made a motion to accept the engagement letter as presented. Vice-President Raun seconded. All voted for: motion carried.
- IX. **Review and Discuss City of Wharton and Wharton Housing Finance Corporation:** London Davis with City of Wharton discussed the proposed transfer of properties that have been bid in trust to the City be released to the City of Wharton. After review and discussion, Vice-President Raun made a motion to approve and pass the order. Director Wittig seconded. All voted for; motion carried.
- X. **Litigation Update a) Review and Discuss Current AG Opinion Requests RE: GCD Authority on Defining Agricultural Irrigation b) City of Conroe, et al v. Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District, et al (District Court) c) Fazzino v Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District (District Court) d) Recharge Texas (End OP0) v Environmental Stewardship (3rd Court of Appeals) e) Cockrell Investment Partners, Ltd. V Middle Pecos Groundwater Conservation District (District Court) f) Uvalde County Underground Water Conservation District v Edwards Aquifer Authority (District Court):** Greg Ellis updated the board on the current status of the cases.
- XI. **Legislative Update:** Greg Ellis updated the board on the current legislative meetings and groundwater issues.
- XII. **Possible Future Agenda Items:** None
- XIII. **Public Comments/Announcements:** None.
- XIV. **Set Next Meeting Date and Agenda:** Director Berglund made a motion that the next CBGCD board meeting be set for Tuesday, January 08, 2019 at 8:00 am. Secretary Weinheimer Seconded. All voted for; motion carried.
- XV. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 9:15 a.m.