

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

AGENDA PREPARED AND POSTED: January 07, 2026
DATE OF MEETING: January 13, 2026
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/Treasure CBGCD; Tim Anderson – Secretary CBGCD; Aland Wittig – Director CBGCD; Alan Heskamp – Director CBGCD; Neil Hudgins – Manager CBGCD; Jaime Bosch – Office Manager CBGCD; Steve Cooper; Judge Phillip Spenrath (8:25)

I. Call to Order:

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

II. Public Comments:

None

III. Approval of Minutes:

Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the November 21, 2025 meeting minutes as presented. Director Heskamp seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

IV. Manager's Report:

Financial Report – Mr. Hudgins reported a checking account balance of \$269,778.30; a money market account balance of \$312,180.61; 2018 CD balance of \$927,197.19; 2020 CD balance \$603,794.20. A budget vs. actual, deposit and check details, 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.

Well Monitoring Update – Mr. Hudgins presented the board with the monthly monitor wells level and Lissie transducer level for January 2026. The index well graph shows 57 feet, 2-feet recovery from December 2025 and 1 foot lower than January 2025. The Lissie transducer shows a similar trend to the index wells.

Upcoming Meetings – None

V. Audit Presentation by Kennemer, Masters & Lunsford, LLC: Kevin Cadenhead, with KM&L, reviewed the advisement letter for the board, explained the detail 2024-2025 audit information, and answered any questions. After review and discussion, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the audit as presented. Director Heskamp seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

VI. Discussion to Approve Permit Applications: President Gertson opened a public hearing for permit applications at 8:04 a.m.; asking if there was anyone present to give public comments; after hearing none, Director Gertson closed the hearing at 8:05 a.m. Mr. Hudgins presented the following permit applications: OP-25122201 for Fairchild Estate Inc.; OP-26010901 for Hulub Properties; OP-25122202 for KW Industries. After review and discussion, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve permits as presented. Director Heskamp seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.

- VII. **Review CBGCD Fee Schedule:** Mr. Hudgins presented the board with the following changes: Hydrogeological Report Assessment Deposit to \$20,000 and change the Staff Time Rate to \$50 per hour. After review and discussion, Secretary Anderson made a motion to approve insurance coverage as presented. Vice-President Berglund seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
- VIII. **Review and Discuss Legislative Representation Services Agreement with GM Ellis Law Firm:** Mr. Hudgins presented the board with the legislative representation services agreement for 2026 (\$30,000 in 9 payment) and 2027 (\$34,000 in 12 payments) with GM Ellis Law Firm. After review and discussion, Vice-President Berglund made a motion to approve the agreement as presented. Secretary Anderson seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
- IX. **General Counsel's Report on Groundwater Litigation and Legislation:** None
- X. **PDSI:** The report shows severe drought in CBGCD area.
- XI. **Possible Future Agenda Items:** None
- XII. **Public Comments/Announcements:** None
- XIII. **Set Next Meeting Date and Agenda:** Vice-President Berglund made a motion that the next CBGCD board meeting be set for Tuesday, March 10, 2026 at the CBGCD office. Director Wittig seconded. President Gertson announced the motion passed without opposition.
- XIV. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned at 8:42 a.m.


Secretary Tim Anderson