

BLUEBONNET GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors

Called Meeting

Wednesday, February 19, 2003

6:00PM

Navasota City Hall, City Council Chambers

107 Farquhar

Navasota, Texas

Minutes

In Attendance: Directors Milton Beckendorff, Michael Blezinger, Glenn Huebner, Jared Patout, William Thomas, Jim Ward, Kent Watson, Tommy Oates, Joe Sandel; General Manager Lloyd Behm; Frances Behm Town and Country Consulting; Gary Johnson, City of Navasota; Gene Ismert, and Howard J. Callout.

1. **Call to Order**

President Patout called the meeting to order at 6:10pm

2. **Closed Session**

At 6:11pm, President Patout announced that the Board would enter a closed session as authorized by the Texas Local Government Code, Section 551.071 for the purpose of consulting (by telephone conference call) with the District's Attorney regarding agenda item 10.

At 6:32pm President Patout announced that the Board was in open session and invited visitors back inside..

President Patout asked visitors Gary Johnson, City of Navasota; Gene Ismert, and Howard J. Callout to introduce themselves.

3. **Discussion on financial report format for board.**

The new proposed format was distributed. Financial and executive committee members have seen and approved this format.

4. **Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution 2003-01 authorizing the General Manager to open a regular checking account for the District at the Bank of Navasota.**

Director Beckendorff moved, Director Oats seconded a motion authorizing the General Manager to open a regular checking account at the Bank of Navasota. *Motion Carried.*

5. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution 2003-02 designating positions authorized to as signatories on District Bank Account and designating the number of signatures required on each check.

Director Thomas moved, Director Beckendorff seconded that all checks require 2 signatures. Authorized signatories will be the General Manager and the Officers of the Board of Directors. (President, Vice President and Secretary. *Motion Carried*

6. Discussion and possible action to approve Resolution 2003-03 authorizing the General Manager to secure credit card services for use by the District, authorizing the General Manager to execute all necessary documents to obtain such services and authorizing the General Manager to be the signatory for the use of these services.

Director Beckendorff moved and Director Sandel seconded a motion that the General Manager secure a non-fee credit card for use by the District, authorizing the General Manager to execute all necessary documents to obtain such services and authorizing the General Manager to be the signatory for the use of these services. *Motion Carried.*

7. Discussion of revenue projections for the District.

The revenue projections shown on financials distributed are based on revenues to date.

8. Discussion and possible action authorizing drafting of contracts with Town and Country Consulting for personnel and equipment needed to open Navasota office.

Town and Country Consulting presented a proposal to provide personnel and equipment needed to open the Navasota office.

At 7:04pm President Patout announced that the Board would enter a closed session as authorized by the Texas Local Government Code, Section 551.071 for the purpose of discussing personnel asking visitors, the General Manager and representative of Town and Country Consulting to leave the room.

At 7:29pm President Patout announced that the Board was back in open session.

Director Beckendorff moved that the proposal go to the Executive

Committee for their recommendation. Director Oates seconded, *Motion carried.*

9. Discussion of FY 03 Budget revisions.

Budget revisions show the loss of two counties and the change to a self sufficient organization.

10 Discussion and possible action authorizing preparation of revisions to District production fee and export fee schedules.

Discussion was held restating Board policy that individual and agricultural use is exempt, but that the Board should consider lowering the ten million gallons produced threshold to five million gallons. Other suggestions include setting an export fee and removing the threshold all together. Consensus was that a golf course is a commercial for profit venture and as such should not be exempt.

Director Beckendorff moved to set the export fee at the difference between 17 cents and the production fee. Director Watson seconded. *Motion Carried.*

Director Blezinger moved that the threshold be dropped to 7.5 million gallons produced, Director Huebner seconded. The vote was called on the motion, resulting vote 2 for and 6 against. *Motion Failed.*

Director Ward moved to remove the threshold on all currently included wells, Director Sandel seconded *Motion Carried by a vote of 6 for and 2 (Directors Huebner and Blezinger against).*

11. Discussion and possible action to accept used surplus computer equipment made available to the District by the Brazos River Authority.

The Brazos River Authority has offered to give the District a computer with software that could be used by district drillers to file their reports from the Navasota office. Director Watson voiced his opposition to accepting this equipment.

Director Thomas moved and Director Blezinger seconded that the District accept the equipment. *Motion Carried with Director Oates abstaining and Director Watson voting no.*

12. Adjourn

Director Beckendorff moved, Director Ward seconded that the

meeting adjourn at 8:07pm. *Motion Carried/meeting adjourned.*

THE ABOVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BLUEBONNET GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD ON FEBRUARY 19, 2003 WERE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THAT BOARD ON APRIL 16, 2003.

//s// J Jared Patout

JARED PATOUT,
PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

//s// Paul C Isham

PAUL ISHAM
SECRETARY

4/16/2003

DATE