

BLUEBONNET GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, April 18, 2012
6:00 PM

Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District
Board Room, Suite B & C
303 East Washington Avenue
Navasota, Texas

Minutes of the Meeting

In attendance: Directors Beckendorff, Brandes, Huebner, Minze, Olsta, Patout, Reed, Thomas, Vaughn, and Ward; General Manager Holland, Administrative Assistant Paben. Visitors: Bill Hutchinson, Bill Huntsinger, Shannon Waring, and Mike McCall. Director Davis joined the meeting at 6:08 PM. Director Blezinger joined the meeting at 6:15 PM

1. Call to order
There being a quorum of the Board of Directors present, the meeting was called to order by President Patout at 6:07 PM.
2. Public Comment
No comments were made.
3. Discussion and possible action to approve minutes of January 18, 2012 Board of Directors Meeting.
After review, Director Olsta moved to approve the minutes of the January 18, 2012 Board Meeting. Director Minze seconded. **Motion carried.**
4. Discussion and possible action to approve quarterly Financial Report.
Once GM Holland explained the outstanding invoices and permit fees, Director Reed moved that the Board approve the quarterly Financial Report. Director Thomas seconded. **Motion carried.**
5. Discussion and possible action to approve quarterly Investment Report.
GM Holland discussed how the District's vehicle purchase affected this report. Upon further review, Director Beckendorff moved that the Board approve the quarterly Investment Report. Director Davis seconded. **Motion carried.**
6. Discussion and possible action to accept Drought Status Report.
GM Holland answered questions in regards to how the drought has affected aquifer levels and the evidence of the rain that has fallen so far this year. Director Huebner moved that the Board accept the Drought Status Assessment. Director Beckendorff seconded. **Motion carried.**
7. Presentation of District Annual Report for CY 2011 by GM Holland.
GM Holland discussed the year's Drought Status Report and explained the consistency of the Well Registrations compared to the previous year. GM Holland then gave an overview of the Annual Reported Groundwater Pumpage for 2011 in contrast to previous years.

8. Discussion and possible action to approve CY 2011 Annual Report.
Upon review, Director Olsta moved to approve CY 2011 Annual Report. Director Thomas seconded. **Motion carried.**

9. Discussion and possible action to approve redesign of District website.
GM Holland stated the need for a more user friendly website and to have information more readily available. GM Holland also discussed the need to have room to grow and to have full control of editing the website. Directors Davis, Reed, and Thomas all voiced their desire to see the website redesigned to help educate and communicate better with members of the community, non-exempt permittees and drillers who drill within the four counties the District represents. Directors Brandes, Huebner, and Olsta addressed GM Holland about costs and accepting bids. GM Holland stated that the cost was a one-time charge and had received two bids from local website developers. Director Olsta moved to approve the redesigning of the District's website not to exceed \$4,000. Director Brandes seconded. **Motion carried.**

10. Discussion and possible action to participate as a resource with the Waller County Sub-Regional Planning Commission.
Bill Huntsinger, on behalf of Don Garrett of the Waller County Sub-Regional Planning Commission, spoke about the desire for the District's participation in the Waller County Sub-Regional Planning Commission. He expressed the desire of the Commission for the District to be a voting member which GM Holland said would be inappropriate. However, participating as a resource would be perfectly acceptable. Director Olsta emphasized our role as a GCD as being a resource for everyone. **Due to lack of motion, action died.**

11. Discussion and possible action to approve Proposal to Provide Professional Services by LBG-Guyton, William R. Hutchison, Ph.D., P.E., P.G..
GM Holland summarized the proposals by LBG-Guyton then introduced Dr. Bill Hutchinson to answer questions and give an overview of the services that he and the company he represents will provide. Dr. Hutchinson explained the objectives of the Hydrogeologic Reports and answered questions regarding the models used and the specific objectives the models were developed for. Dr. Hutchinson also discussed the information that goes into the reports as far as technical information, impacts of the well construction, and planning for the future. Director Thomas moved to approve the proposals to Provide Professional Services by LBG-Guyton. Director Davis seconded. **Motion carried.**

12. General Managers Report
 - a. Well Registration/Permitting
 - b. Trinity & San Jacinto River Basins & Galveston Bay BBASC
 - c. Region G & H RWPG
 - d. TAGD
 - 1) Texas Groundwater Summit
 - e. Legislative & Case Report
 - 1) Day Case
 - 2) Fox Crossing GCD Resolution
 - f. GMA 14
 - g. Training Sessions & Seminars
 - 1) Shale Gas Development & Water Issues Symposium
 - h. BGCD Update
 - 1) Vehicle Use Summary
 - 2) Management Plan & District Rule Revision

13. Date for next Board meeting – July 18, 2012.

14. Adjourn

There being no further business, Director Brandes moved that the meeting be adjourned. Director Thomas seconded. **Motion carried.** The meeting was adjourned at 7:22 PM

The above minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District held on April 18, 2012., were approved and adopted by that Board on July 18, 2012.

J Jared Patout, President

ATTEST:

James Morrison, Secretary