

# BLUEBONNET GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting  
Wednesday January 16, 2002  
6:30pm

## MINUTES

The following persons were in attendance at the meeting: Directors Milton Beckendorff, Sharon Brandes, Glenn Huebner, Mollie Fuller, Jared Patout, Jim Ward, Paul Isham, James Morrison, Joe Sandel, David Minze, Wayne Mauldin, Orval Rhoads, Frank Tressie, William Harris, Glenn Schroeter, Shannon Theeck, and Larry Winkelmann; Others: Phyllis Morrison, Gary Smith, Arcadis; Lloyd Behm, BVCOG and Frances Behm, Town and County Consulting.

### 1. Call to Order

President Patout called the meeting to order at 6:35pm.

### 2. Public Comment

There was no public comment at this meeting.

### 3. Introduction and Seating of Directors

Director Mollie Fuller was administered the oath of office and introduced to the other members of the board.

### 4. Approve director's bond.

Mr. Minze moved and Mr. Theeck seconded that Director Fuller's bond be approved.  
*Motion Carried.*

### 5. Approve Minutes of December 11, 2001 Board Meeting

Motion was made and seconded to have spelling errors corrected in the minutes and directors properly identified, but to approve as corrected. *Motion Carried.*

### 6. Discuss/consider Recommendation to Grimes County Regarding Inactive Director

Ms. Fuller's attendance at this meeting eliminates the need for discussion of this item.

### 7. Discuss/consider taking action to set date for confirmation election

In light of Attorney General's recent ruling that a county cannot advance funds to a

special group, the need to set the confirmation election date is more pressing. Consensus of opinion is that a November election would be most cost effective for this district. Mr. Ward moved and Mr. Beckendorff seconded that Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District hold their confirmation election in November along with other November elections in each county. *Motion Carried.*

Other groundwater conservation district elections are as follows:

Post Oak - not aware of election date; Lost Pine - November; Mid East - November; and Brazos Valley - May.

#### **8. Discuss (appoint committee to study) District Finances, Revenue Sources including production fees.**

The State has mandated some sort of groundwater conservation district. If the counties do not approve the district as currently configured, TNRCC will make water districts out of the counties that do not approve the regional districts.

Mr. Harris moved that the board establish Finance, Technical, Legal/Legislative and Public Relations committees. Motion seconded. *Motion Carried.*

Committees are as follows:

Finance Committee - David Minze, (chairman), Jared Patout; Milton Beckendorff, Larry Winkelmann, Paul Isham.

Legal/Legislative Committee - Frank Tessie (chairman), Glenn Schroeter; Michael Blezinger; Tommy Oates; and William Thomas.

Technical Committee - Bill Harris (chairman); Glenn Huebner, Orval Rhoads; Jim Ward, and James Morrison.

Public Relations Committee - Les Maudlin (chairman), Joe Sandel, Shannon Theeck, Mollie Fuller, Sharon Brandes. This committee will meet to prepare answers to as many questions as possible so that when the directors are asked to answer questions they will all give the same answers to the same questions.

The committees will make recommendations to the board, all actions suggested must be ratified by board to be implemented.

#### **9. Discuss/approve meeting rules and policies including defining and establishing an approved absence policy for Directors**

Legal/Legislative Committee will review policies and suggestions for needed policies.

#### **10. Discuss and consider accepting offer from Arcadis for educational-informational presentation to board on Texas Water Code, Chapter 36**

**management plan requirements.**

Gary Smith presented Arcadis' offer to make a presentation to the board on the requirements of Chapter 36 Texas Water Code. This is a 20 minute presentation to the board. Mr. Beckendorff moved, Mr. Rhoads 2<sup>nd</sup> that the Arcadis presentation be made at the February meeting. *Motion Carried.*

**11. Discuss/consider appointment of committees.**

Committees were established after discussion of item 8.

**12. Report from BVCOG staff**

The general liability insurance is in place thru the Miller agency in Navasota. Cost to district is \$1,200 annual premium. Director and Officer Liability is also in place thru the Miller agency in Navasota. Cost of this coverage to the district is \$1,000 annual premium.

**13. Adjourn**

Meeting was adjourned at 8:10pm.

**THE ABOVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BLUEBONNET GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD ON JANUARY 16, 2002 WERE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THAT BOARD ON FEBRUARY 20, 2002.**

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Jared Patout, President

ATTEST:

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Glenn Schroeter, Secretary