## **BLUEBONNET GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**Board of Directors Meeting** 

Wednesday, January 21, 2009 6:00 PM

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

## **Minutes of Meeting**

In attendance: Directors Patout, Blezinger, Huebner, Thomas, Ward, Hodges, Morrison, Sandel, Copeland, Minze, Paben, General Manager Behm, Sally Williams, Administrative Assistant, Jason Pierce, Tom Wallis, Ingram Wallis Co.; Bill Dugat, Bickerstaff Heath; Kristen Olson, Lloyd Gosselink; Mike Gershon, Lloyd Gosselink.

- Call to order
   The meeting was called to order at 6:08 PM by Jared Patout.
- Public Comment
   No one addressed the board during the public comment period.
- 3. Discussion and possible action to accept resignation of Director Bill Daugette representing municipal interest from Walker County.

  Director Daugette who is no longer with the City of Huntsville submitted a letter of resignation.
  - Director Copeland moved that the board accept his letter of resignation. Director Thomas seconded. **Motion Carried.**
- 4. Discussion and possible action to approve bond for Director Jason Pierce representing municipal interests from Walker County for the remainder of an unexpired term ending in January, 2012.

The Walker County Commissioners Court unanimously approved the appointment of Jason Pierce to BGCD Board of Directors to complete unexpired term. Director Hodges moved that the Board approve the Bond for Jason Pierce. Director Minze seconded. **Motion Carried.** 

- Administer Oath of Office to Director Jason Pierce
   General Manager Behm administered the Oath of Office to Director
   Pierce.
- 6. Presentation and discussion of FY 2008 audit performed by Ingram Wallis & Company by Thomas Wallis.

Thomas Wallis of Ingram, Wallis & Co., PC, presented and discussed the FY 2008 audit.

7. Discussion and possible action to accept FY 2008 Audit prepared by Ingram Wallis & Company.

After discussion, Director Ward moved that the board accept FY 2008 Audit as presented. Director Thomas seconded. **Motion Carried** 

- 8. Discussion relating to the General Manager's review of pending Non-exempt Well Development and Well Operating Applications of Spring Preserve Water Company, LLC and requests for a contested case hearing including a briefing by the General Manager and attorney for the District regarding the process and time lines in connection with conducting a contested case hearing. No action will be taken at this meeting on the applications and contested case requests.
- 9. Discussion and possible action to approve minutes of October 15, 2008 Board meeting.

Upon review, Director Thomas moved approval of the minutes of the October 15, 2008, Board meeting. Director Minze seconded. **Motion Carried** 

10. Discussion and possible action to approve quarterly Financial Report.

After discussion, Director Sandel moved approval of the Quarterly Financial Report. Director Ward seconded. **Motion Carried** 

11. Discussion and possible action to approve quarterly Investment Report.

Director Morrison moved approval of the quarterly Investment Report. Director Hodges seconded. **Motion Carried** 

12. Discussion and possible action to accept quarterly Drought Status Assessment.

Following comments, Director Copeland moved acceptance of the quarterly Drought Status Assessment. Director Huebner seconded.

Motion Carried

13. Discussion and possible action to approve staff position of Permitting Assistant.

General Manager Behm reviewed the need for permitting assistance and requested approval to hire a part time staff member. Director Hodges moved approval of additional position within the existing budget. Director Copeland seconded. **Motion Carried** 

14. Discussion and possible action to authorize General Manager to execute Permit Review Consulting Services Agreement with AECOM.

General Manager Behm reviewed corporate and name changes to

TCB with whom BGCD already has an agreement.

Director Blezinger moved that the board authorize General Manager to execute the Permit Review Consulting Service Agreement with AECOM, the new name. Director Thomas seconded. **Motion Carried** 

15. Committee appointments by President.

President Patout reviewed changes in the Committee appointments he was making for FY 2009.

- a) Executive Committee [oversight of District Administration, Financial matters (including signatories on District Bank Accounts) & Investments] President Patout, Chairman; Vice President Beckendorff, Vice President Minze and Secretary Sandel.
- b) Legislative Committee (advise General Manager on legislative matters and positions to be advocated by the District)

  James Morrison, Chairman; Jared Patout, Joe B Sandel, Greg Copeland, Glenn Huebner, and Michael Blezinger.
- c) Rules Committee (annual review of District Rules and recommend and prepare revisions for consideration by the Board)
  Milton Beckendorff, Chairman; Bill Hodges, Gerald Hord, Bill Thomas, and David Minze.
- d) Management Plan Committee (conduct annual review, recommend revisions for consideration by the Board and prepare revised plan for

consideration by Board and approval by Texas Water Development Board)

Jim Ward, Chairman; Sharon Brandes, Jason Pierce, Tom Paben and David Neel.

16. General Managers Report

The General Manager reported on District activity and involvement since the last Board Meeting in the following areas:

- a. Well Registration/Permitting
- b. GMA 14 Joint planning
- c. Middle and Lower Brazos River Basin Instream Flow Stakeholders meetings
- d. Trinity & San Jacinto River Basins & Galveston Bay Basin & Bay Stakeholder Committee meetings
- e. Region G & H RWPG
- f. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts meetings and actions.
- g. Monitoring well program discussion with USGS
- h. Training programs
- i. Report on presentation to Waller County breakfast group
- 17. Date for next Board meeting April 15, 2009.
- 18. Adjourn

Director Hodges moved that the meeting be adjourned. Director Ward Seconded. **Motion Carried.** 

THE ABOVE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE BLUEBONNET GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD ON JANUARY 21, 2009, WERE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THAT BOARD ON JULY 15, 2009.

(s) Milton Beckendorff
Milton Beckendorff
Vice President

ATTEST:

(s)Lloyd A. Behm Lloyd A. Behm, Deputy Secretary