

BLUEBONNET GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting

Wednesday, April 20, 2011
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, Brown, Davis, Groschke, Minze, Morrison, Olsa, Sandel, Thomas; General Manager Holland, Administrative Assistant Paben, Director Appointee Reed, Director Appointee Vaughn, Brenda Vaughn, and Mason Morrison. Director Blezinger joined the meeting at 6:25 PM.

1. Call to order
The meeting was called to order by Vice President Beckendorff at 6:00 PM.
2. Public Comment
(Public comment is limited to a maximum of 5 minutes per speaker and/or 30 minutes total time for all speakers)
There weren't any comments made.
3. Introduction of Waller County Director Appointee Carol Reed.
GM Holland introduced and briefly reported an overview of Director Appointee Reed's background in municipal interests.
4. Introduction of Waller County Director Appointee Jim Vaughn.
GM Holland introduced and presented a brief overview of Director Appointee Vaughn's background in industrial interests.
5. Discussion and possible action to approve bond for Director Carol Reed representing municipal interests from Walker County for the remainder of an unexpired term ending January 2012.
After review, Director Morrison moved that the Board approve the bond for Director Reed to represent municipal interests from Walker County. Director Minze seconded. ***Motion carried.***

6. Discussion and possible action to approve bond for Director Jim Vaughn representing industrial interests from Waller County for the remainder of an unexpired term ending January 2014.
Upon review, Director Minze moved that the Board approve the bond for Director Jim Vaughn to represent industrial interests from Waller County. Director Morrison seconded. ***Motion carried.***
7. Administer Oath of Office to Director Carol Reed & Director Jim Vaughn.
Once GM Holland administered the Oath of Office, Director Reed and Director Vaughn took their seats, joining the Board of Directors.
8. Discussion and possible action to approve minutes of January 19, 2011 Board meeting.
Upon review, Director Morrison moved to approve the minutes of the January 19, 2011 Board Meeting. Director Brandes seconded. ***Motion carried.***
9. Discussion and possible action to approve quarterly Financial Report.
GM Holland addressed the contents of Other in the Revenues section and discussed the outstanding invoices. After a brief discussion, Director Sandel moved that the Board approve the quarterly Financial Report. Director Thomas seconded. ***Motion carried.***
10. Discussion and possible action to approve quarterly Investment Report.
GM Holland informed the Board of the interest gained in the Money Market Account. Following a brief discussion regarding the designation of funds in the near future, Director Thomas moved that the Board approve the quarterly Investment Report. Director Minze seconded. ***Motion carried.***
11. Discussion and possible action to accept Drought Status Assessment.
GM Holland briefly described the conditions of the assessments for the previous months of January, February, and March. Upon review, Director Morrison moved that the Board accept the Drought Status Assessment. Director Davis seconded. ***Motion carried.***
12. Presentation of District Annual Report for CY 2010 by General Manager Holland.
GM Holland briefly summarized each appendix within the Annual Report for CY 2010. He also noted that more information regarding the Annual Audit for FY 2009-2010 (Appendix 4) and the District Rules (Appendix 8) could be obtained by requesting it from the District's office.

13. Discussion and possible action to approve CY 2010 Annual Report.
Upon review, Director Brandes moved that the Board approve CY 2010 Annual Report. Director Thomas seconded. ***Motion carried.***
14. Discussion and possible action to accept managed available groundwater (MAG) numbers for BGCD received from Texas Water Development Board.
GM Holland discussed the differences in the outlook of the MAG numbers that BGCD has forecasted and what the TWDB has forecasted in their models. He explained the slip up in the exempt use of the TWDB MAG numbers in the Chicot layer of the Gulf Coast Aquifer. After discussion, Director Morrison moved to accept the MAG numbers for BGCD with an asterisk besides the Chicot layer. Director Davis seconded. ***Motion carried.***
15. General Manager's Report:
 - a. Well Registration/Permitting
GM Holland briefly updated the Board of the registered wells within the District since the last meeting in January.
 - b. BGCD recognition from Austin County Commissioners Court for Groundwater Awareness Month
GM Holland stated that the District was recognized by Judge Bilski and the Commissioners. The District was represented by Vice President Beckendorff, Director Brandes, Director Huebner, and himself.
 - c. GMA 14 Joint planning
GM Holland stated that the next meeting is May 24 in Conroe at 1:30 in the afternoon and will be voting for approval or acceptance of the draft MAG numbers.
 - d. Trinity & San Jacinto River Basins & Galveston Bay Basin & Bay Stakeholder Committee meetings
GM Holland explained that the BBEST should be underway with its Work Plan after receiving input and feedback. The next meeting is set for July 6.
 - e. Region G & H RWPG
GM Holland updated the Board of the March 23rd meeting of Region H. He also explained that the Region is applying for grant money for the next round of planning. GM Holland also discussed the meetings of Region G that he missed because of prior commitments, but updated the Board on their planning activities and working on acquiring grants.
 - f. TAGD
GM Holland reviewed the TAGD meeting that took place on March 30-31 which mainly discussed the legislation affecting groundwater.

g. Legislative update

1. Bills tracked, progress, and action

GM Holland reviewed the status of SB 332 and mentioned the numerous amounts of groundwater related bills that have been filed. He stated that the key bill to watch now is the Sunset Bill of the TWDB, SB 660 and HB 3530.

h. BGCD update

1. Website

GM Holland briefly updated the Board of the website's reconstruction stating the changes that have been made to the Directors, Meeting Agendas, Meeting Minutes, and the Meeting Schedule.

2. Speaking engagement for the Industry Lion's Club meeting April 27 at 6:00 AM

GM Holland informed the Board of the event and that the discussion will primarily revolve around the legislation and groundwater districts.

16. Date for next Board meeting – July 20, 2011.

17. Adjourn

There being no further business, Director Thomas moved that the meeting be adjourned. Director Minze seconded. **Motion carried.**
The meeting was adjourned at 7:37 PM

The above minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District held on July 20, 2011, were approved and adopted by that Board on April 20, 2011.

J Jared Patout, President

ATTEST:

Milton Beckendorff, Vice President