

BLUEBONNET GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, April 11, 2024 6:00 PM

In attendance:

Directors – Blezinger, Floyd, Muse, Fairchild, Vaughn, Minze, Patout, Huebner, Eppler, deMilliano, Julian
Staff - General Manager Holland, Office Manager Robinson

AGENDA

1. **Call to order**

There being a quorum present, the Board of Directors Meeting was called to order by the President at 6:04pm.

2. **Public Comment**

No public comment.

3. **Public Hearing on proposed revisions to District transport fee and fee schedule to commence at 6:00PM** – Proposed revisions to the District transport fee and fee schedule include utilizing Texas Water Code §§ 36.122(e)(3), 36.122(e-1), 36.122(e-2) and 36.122(e-3) and District Rule 9.1.B; and include revisions for typos, formatting, and clarity. A copy of the proposed fee schedule is available for review at the District Office at the address described above and on the District's website at <https://www.bluebonnetgroundwater.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/Fee-Schedule-Effective-10-01-24-DRAFT.pdf>

4. **Discussion and possible action to approve minutes of January 11, 2024 Board Meeting.** Director Huebner moved the Board approve the minutes of the January 11, 2024, Board Meeting. Director Vaughn seconded. **Motion carried.**

5. **Discussion and possible action to approve quarterly Financial Report.** Director Minze moved the Board to approve the quarterly Financial Report. Director Muse seconded. **Motion carried.**

6. **Discussion and possible action to approve quarterly Investment Report** Director deMilliano moved the Board approve quarterly Investment Report. Director Julian seconded. **Motion carried.**

7. **Discussion and possible action to accept quarterly Drought Status Assessment.** Director Floyd moved the Board accept the quarterly Drought Status Assessment. Director Blezinger seconded. **Motion carried.**

8. **Discussion and possible action regarding sponsorship of Texas Groundwater Summit** Director Muse moved the Board continue current sponsorship package. Director Fairchild seconded.

Motion carried.

9. Discussion and possible action on resolution adopting export fee assessed by the District under Texas Water Code §§ 36.122(e)(3), 36.122(e-1), 36.122(e-2) and 36.122(e-3) and District Rule 9.1.B.

Director Vaughn moved the Board adopt export fee assessed by the District under Texas Water Code §§ 36.122(d)(3), 36.122(e-1), 36.122(e-2), and 36.122(e-3) and District Rule 9.1.B.

Director Eppler seconded.

Motion carried.

10. Discussion and possible action to approve District Fee Schedule effective October 1, 2024.

Director deMilliano moved the Board approve District Fee Schedule.

Director Muse seconded.

Motion carried.

11. Discussion and possible action to approve District longevity pay program.

Director Muse moved the Board approve District longevity pay program.

Director Vaughn seconded.

Motion carried.

12. Discussion and possible action on resolution certifying compliance with cybersecurity training.

Director Floyd moved the Board certify compliance with cybersecurity training.

Director Fairchild seconded.

Motion carried.

13. Discussion and possible action on District's general counsel and transition to a new lead attorney by end of calendar year.

President Patout would like to pursue staying with Bickerstaff. General Manager Holland requests permission from the Board to pursue finding a new attorney should Bickerstaff not was to take us on (RFQ process- Executive Committee decision).

Director Eppler moved the Board to General Manager Holland to retain general counsel services for the District with current firm and work through the transition of retiring Bill Dugat. If unable to retain Bickerstaff, authorize the Executive Committee to pursue general counsel services through the RFQ.

Director Muse seconded.

Motion carried.

14. Discussion and possible action regarding GMA 14 model update and DFC joint planning process schedules.

No action taken.

15. General Managers Report

a. Well Registration/Permitting

b. TAGD, TGWA & TWCA

i. TAGD Texas Groundwater Summit, August 20-22, 2024, Hyatt Regency Hill Country, San Antonio

c. Region G & H RWPG

- d. GMA 14 Joint Planning
- e. Legislative Update
- f. TWRI Update
- g. BGCD Update

16. Date for next Board meeting – Thursday, September 12, 2024

17. Adjourned at 7:19pm

The Board approved the above minutes of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District, held on April 11, 2024, on September 12, 2024.

J Jared Patout, President

ATTEST:

Milton Beckendorff, Vice President