

**MINUTES OF
AUGUST 4, 2008
BOARD MEETING
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session Monday, August 4, 2008 at 6:00 p.m. in the District office located at 225 S. Pierce Street, Suite 104, Burnet, Texas.

The following persons were present:

Members Present

Wayne Brown, Vice President
Jerry Bostick, Secretary
Clyde Waters, Director

Members Absent

John Simmons, President
Todd Fox, Director

Staff and or Consultants Present

Richard Bowers, General Manager
Donnita Coats, Administrative Assistant

Others present (who signed the attendance Record)

Twelve Members of the Public

Vice President Brown declared a quorum present and called the Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Vice President Brown asked for public comments. There were no public comments.

Vice President Brown then asked the Directors to consider the Consent Agenda which included the Minutes of Board Meetings held June 26 2008 and July 7, 2008; the expenditures of July 2008 and review of the 2007-2008 Budget and funds held account.

Jerry Bostick moved to:
Approve the Consent Agenda.
Second was by Clyde Waters.
Vote on the motion carried.
All Members voted.

Vice President Brown moved Agenda Item #4 ahead of Item #3 and asked Samantha Melvin, Fine Arts Teacher, R.J. Ritchie Elementary School to present her proposal requesting funds for a Rainwater Harvesting Demonstration at the school. The proposal was presented and after discussion from the Board;

Jerry Bostick moved to:
Approve \$550.00 in funding for the Rainwater Harvesting Demonstration Project at R.J. Ritchie Elementary school based on approval from the school administration.

Second was by Clyde Waters.
Vote on the motion carried.
All Members voted.

Vice President Brown then introduced Geoff Saunders, Senior Hydrologist, Lower Colorado River Authority who gave a report on springs in Burnet County.

Vice President Brown then asked the General Manager for an update on the Rainwater Harvesting Project and Well Health and Rainwater Harvesting Seminar scheduled for August 19, 2008. The General Manager reported that Programs would be given by Billy Kniffen, Water Resource Specialist with the Department of Biological & Agricultural Engineering office of Texas AgriLife Extension Service and a representative from Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation – Water Well Drillers & Pump Installers. The General Manager stated that notice of the Seminar would be posted in area newspapers, the District Web Site and through Texas AgriLife Extension Service.

Vice President Brown then asked the General Manager for an update on Monitoring Wells. The General Manager reported that he and Director Clyde Waters had met to set goals and schedules for drilling of monitor wells. After discussing Monitor Well Agreements in progress, drilling schedule and expenses and telemetry options;

Clyde Waters moved to:
Adopt the Monitor Well Goals, Drilling Schedule and Budget Plan that Clyde Waters and the General Manager presented to the Board.
Second was by Jerry Bostick.
Vote on the motion carried.
All Members voted.

Vice President Brown then asked the General Manager for an Update on public information transfer by Directors and for a report on the Water Issues Meeting held July 18, 2008. The General Manager reported that Director Jerry Bostick had created several power point presentations for the Directors to present to various community organizations. Director Todd Fox had given one of the presentations to the Kiwanis Club the previous week.

The General Manager reported that he, John Simmons, Clyde Waters and Jerry Bostick attended the County Water Issues Meeting held on July 18, 2008.

Vice President Brown then asked for an Update on Groundwater Management Area 8. The General Manager reported that the Texas Water Development Board is understaffed with modelers, therefore, desired future conditions (DFC'S) for the Northern Trinity will not be set at this time. The Board discussed the need to protect Burnet County and to be in agreement on their position for DFC's. The General Manager reported to the Board that the Administrator for GMA 8 had requested \$500.00 from the District to help cover expenses for TCB, Inc. to assist GMA 8 in developing DFC's for the major and minor aquifers. The Board requested that a summary of funds paid by all the GMA 8 Districts and an invoice be presented at the next board meeting for consideration.

Vice President Brown then called on the Manger for the Manager's Report.

**Manager's Report
August 4, 2008**

1. At the TAGD Meeting Wednesday, I discussed the opportunity to join with several of the GCDs to purchase well logging equipment – logger, generator and possibly a down-hole camera (depending on amount each district could spend). The equipment would be kept it in an enclosed trailer for ease of use by each GCD. If this moves ahead, it may need to be an agenda item at the next meeting.
2. Wade Hibler and I are discussing a rainwater harvesting demonstration located in Burnet. We are going to have a committee to help in securing a location, and additional partners and possible grant funding. One of the members we intend to include is Mrs. Melvin with R.J. Ritchie Elementary School.
3. We ran 21 coliform bacteria samples this month.
4. Meetings since last Board Meeting:
 - a. Phone calls, office visits and met outside of office with various land owners, and residents to discuss rules and operations of the District - No specific dates
 - b. July 15th met with cities of Burnet and Bertram about water supply to a subdivision east of Burnet.
 - c. July 18th 10:00 a.m. Burnet County Commissioners Court – Explore opportunities to supply water outside municipalities for Burnet County development - Herman Brown Library in Burnet. John, Jerry and Clyde also attended.
 - d. July 22nd Water District Program at Marble Falls, Todd presented the program.
 - e. July 23, Attended a Farm and Ranch Realtor group meeting heard program by Dr. Robert Mace, TWDB.
 - f. July 25th met with Brian Sledge all day to work on proposed rules.
 - g. July 29th & 30th attended the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts Austin
 - h. July 30th met with David Gunn, with Texas Department of License and Regulations – Water Well Drillers and Pump Installers about surface completion on monitor wells and see if we needed a variance. I also asked if TDLR could present a program for the Seminar scheduled on August 19th.
5. Upcoming Meetings;
 - a. August 5th Water Policy Forum Lampasas – State Representative Aycock
 - b. August 19th Water Well Health and Rainwater Harvesting Seminar

Vice President Brown then called on the Directors for any comments.

Clyde Waters requested that Business Cards be ordered for each Director.

Clyde Waters requested that a Director Data Book, containing pertinent data that would be helpful to the Directors, be made for each Director.

Jerry Bostick asked the staff to check into the cost of providing each Director with Microsoft Office 2007 Software that the District Office recently purchased.

Vice President Brown then asked for discussion and/or action on the proposed 2008-2009 Budget. Board Secretary, Jerry Bostick, gave a power point presentation on the proposed budget developed by himself and the General Manager. Mr. Bostick asked for approval of the budget and noted that the tax rate would not be acted on until after the proposed tax rate was published in area newspapers.

Clyde Waters moved to:
Adopt the proposed 2008-2009 Budget.
Second was by Wayne Brown.
Vote on the motion carried.
All Members voted.

Vice President Brown then asked for discussion and/or action on hiring an additional full-time employee. After discussion on the qualifications needed for the position and the application and interview process, the Board decided that the entire Board needed to be present for further discussion. A special meeting will be scheduled at a later date to discuss and/or act on hiring an additional full-time employee.

Vice President Brown asked the Board to identify any specific agenda items for the next Board Meeting.

Rules Work Session set for August 22, 2008.
GMA 8 DFC Funding
Executive Session for personnel issue or Special Board Meeting with
single issue of hiring additional full-time employee.
Set Tax Rate
Approve to Publish Rules or set next rules work session
Public Information Update
Monitor Well Schedule Update

Vice President Brown set the next regularly scheduled Board Meeting date for September 8, 2008 at 6:00 p.m.

Vice President Brown adjourned the meeting at 8:39 p.m.

Wayne Brown, Vice President

Jerry Bostick, Secretary