

**MINUTES OF  
September 9, 2011  
BOARD MEETING  
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session Friday, September 9, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. in the District office located at 225 S. Pierce Street, Suite 104, Burnet, Texas.

The following persons were present:

**Members Present**

John Simmons, President      Clyde Waters, Secretary/Treasurer  
Todd Fox, Vice President      Steve Henderson, Director  
Wayne Brown, Director

**Staff and or Consultants Present**

Charles Shell, General Manager      Donnita Coats, Administrative Assistant  
Mitchell Sodek, Hydrologist

**Others present**

2 Members of the Public

President Simmons asked General Manager Shell to establish a quorum through a roll call of Directors; declared a quorum present; and called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

President Simmons asked for public comment.

There were no Public Comments.

President Simmons then asked for consideration and/or action on the Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held August 6, 2011 the Regular Board Meeting held August 12, 2011 and the Special Board Meeting held August, 2011.

Clyde Waters moved to:

Approve the minutes of the Special Board Meeting held August 6, 2011 the Regular Board Meeting held August 12, 2011 and the Special Board Meeting held August, 2011.

Second was by Todd Fox.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Simmons then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for August 2011, Budget Adjustments and review of 2010 – 2011 Budget.

Todd Fox moved to:

Approve the expenses for August 2011.

Second was by Wayne Brown.

Vote on the motion carried.

Wayne Brown moved to:

Make the following line item adjustments to the 2010-2011 Budget:

Move \$1000.00 from Directors - Fee of Office to Payroll Expenses - Salary & Wages

Move \$500.00 from Education - General Public Education to Other Expenses - Registration Fees.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Simmons then asked for consider and/or adoption of the 2011-2012 Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District Budget. Secretary/Treasurer Waters and General Manager Shell presented the proposed expense budget of \$495,137.50 as follows:

<b>Expenses</b>	
<b>Reserves (Household Hazardous Waste Project)</b>	25,000.00
<b>Reserves (Burnet County Waste Disposal)</b>	4,000.00
<b>Payroll Expenses</b>	231,387.50
<b>Directors</b>	2,000.00
<b>Other Expenses</b>	4,600.00
<b>Technical Operations</b>	7,000.00
<b>Education</b>	20,000.00
<b>Administrative Operations</b>	15,750.00
<b>Vehicle Expense</b>	3,900.00
<b>Capital Purchase</b>	59,000.00
<b>Contract Services</b>	90,000.00
<b>Insurance</b>	3,500.00
<b>Office Expense</b>	29,000.00
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$495,137.50</b>

Secretary/Treasurer Waters and General Manager Shell gave the Board a summary of possible future expenses that GMA 8 has proposed for technical consulting fees for groundwater modeling. After discussion, the Board decided not to increase the GMA 8 expense in the other expenses item in the current proposed budget.

Wayne Brown moved to:  
 Adopt an Expense Budget for the 2011-2012 fiscal year of \$496,076.00  
 Second was by Todd Fox.  
 Vote on the motion carried.

President Simmons then asked for consideration and/or action on adoption of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District 2011 Tax Rate.

The Manager provided the Board with the following information:

<b>Income Budget</b>	
<b>Attorney Fees – Taxes</b>	\$ 3,000.00
<b>Tax Income from other Years</b>	16,500.00
<b>Interest on Investments</b>	6,000.00
<b>Other Income - Funds from Reserve</b>	33,000.00
<b>Total income other than 2011 taxes</b>	<b>\$58,000.00</b>

**2011 Ad Valorem Tax needed to balance the budget \$437,576.00**

**Information for calculating a proposed 2011 tax rate**

2011 Adjusted Tax Base	\$4,375,760,788.00
Adopted Expense Budget	496,076.00
Income from other than 2011 taxes	58,000.00
Income from 2011 Taxes needed to Balance the Budget	437,576.00
Tax Rate Calculation (437,576.00/4,375,760,788.00)*100=	\$ 0.0100/\$100

Wayne Brown moved to:

Adopt 0.0100/\$100 valuation as the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District 2011 Tax Rate calculated to assess \$437,576.00 which will balance the budget.

Second was by Todd Fox.

3 - Yes

2 - No

Vote on the motion carried.

President Simmons then asked for consideration and/or action on the determination of the drought stage. Mitchell Sodek, District Hydrologist, gave a PowerPoint presentation on the Palmer Hydrological Drought Index, district monitor well levels and weather facts of interest. The District is currently in the Severe Drought Stage and he and General Manager Shell recommended the District continue the Severe Drought Stage. The Board took no action to change the current Drought Stage. He informed the Board that he had installed monitor well equipment in several existing wells and that he had taken Monitor Well & Water Level Presentation Maps to several local entities.

President Simmons then asked for consideration and/or action on an Addendum to Monitor Well Agreements. General Manager Shell reviewed the Addendum which addresses dual use of the well if it does not impact monitoring capability or data. Wayne Brown asked General Manager Shell to look into allowing certain monitor wells to be equipped for firefighting purposes.

Clyde Waters moved to:

Approve the Addendum to Monitor Well Agreements as presented.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Simmons then asked for a report of TAGD Meeting and GMA 8 Update. General Manager Shell reported that he had met a number of District Managers at the TAGD meeting and that these contacts would help him with his role as manager. He reported that a Texas Water Development Board(TWDB) representative spoke at the meeting and that he informed the group that TWDB was now out of the modeling business. He stated that it was now up to Districts to provide models in the future but that TWDB may offer technical assistance.

President Simmons then called on the General Manager for the Staff Report.

The General Manager provided the following report:

a. Rule implementation activities,

Activity	Total as of August 11, 2011	Total as of September 8, 2011
Well registrations	3,280	3,281
Exempt Well Drilling Auth.	285	302
Permit App. Received	119	120
Permit Applications by Use		Permits Issued
Commercial	16	3
Domestic, Livestock & Poultry	39	39
Industrial	8	0
Irrigation	23	6
Public Water Supply	34	0
Total	120	48

Permit Applications by Precinct

Precinct 1	52
Precinct 2	30
Precinct 3	22
Precinct 4	15
<u>Precincts 1 2 &amp; 3</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	120

- b. Monitor Well Map & Water Level Chart Presentations have been put at the Triple C Feed store in Burnet and we are making one for the feed store he also owns in Marble Falls. Two were given to Wade Hibler to use at the Extension Office and Meeting Room. We have been given permission to put one at Farmers State Bank in Bertram and are in the process of creating more presentation boards and making contacts for places to put them.
- c. Complaints of well pumping into stock tank on CR 200. Will contact owner/agent to visit the site. Complainant alleges the well appears to be pumping more than 17 gpm.
- d. Complaint of excessive watering on CR 120. Mitchell Sodek looked at the situation and taped a Stage III drought notification to mailbox.
- e. Going through files to review Applications & Permit Status.
- f. Attended TAGD Meeting 8-30 & 31-11.  
Attended Water Issues Meeting 9-8-11

President Simmons then called for any Director comments.

President Simmons stated that the Staff needs to consider giving presentations about the District and the Monitor Well Program to groups such as the Rotary and Lions Clubs, Commissioners Court, Water Issues Meeting. Mitchell Sodek informed the Board that he had recently given presentations to the Burnet County Commissioners Court and at the Water Issues Meeting and that District Staff would continue giving this type of presentation. Secretary/Treasurer Waters informed Board Members that First State Bank Central Texas may ask members to sign a new signature card that would include Donnita Coats as Public Funds Investment Officer.

Donnita Coats informed the Board that the October 3, 2011 Election Meeting that was to be held at the Marble Falls Library had been canceled.

President Simmons called for Agenda items for the next Board Meeting.

President Simmons stated that Directors could contact the Manager or himself prior to the deadline for posting notice of the next meeting if they have a suggested agenda item.

President Simmons then set the next regular board meeting for, Friday, October 21, 2011 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Simmons adjourned the meeting at 10:28 a.m.

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John Simmons, President

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Clyde Waters, Secretary/Treasurer