MINUTES OF
September 14, 2012
BOARD MEETING
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session on Friday, September 14, 2012 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

Bill Felps, President
Wayne Brown, Vice President
Dan Brady, Secretary/Treasurer
Bill Luedecke, Director
Steve Henderson, Director

Staff and or Consultants Present

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

Others present - Several Members of the Public

President Felps 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 9:02 a.m.

President Felps then asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held August 10, 2012 and Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held August 17, 2012.

Wayne Brown moved to:
Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held August 10, 2012 and Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held August 17, 2012.
Second was by Dan Brady.
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for August 2012; Review of 2011-2012 Budget; and consideration and/or action on Budget Line Item Adjustments.

Bill Luedecke moved to:
Approve the Expenditures for August 2012.
Second was by Steve Henderson.
Vote on the motion carried.

General Manager Shell requested that the Board approve the purchase of a software program for the District logging trailer and approve line item transfers in the Administrative Operations budget to cover the expense.

Bill Luedecke moved to:
Approve the purchase of a software program for the District logging trailer and approve line item transfers in the Administrative Operations budget to cover the expense.
Second was by Steve Henderson.
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on the Employee Retirement Plan.

Bill Felps moved to:
Approve a new District Retirement Plan with Texas County & District Retirement System for the District Staff as presented on August 10, 2012 by Mr. Tim Krause, Employer Services Representative for Texas County & District Retirement System.
Second was by Wayne Brown.
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or adoption of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget.

Wayne Brown moved to:
Adopt the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District Fiscal Year 2012-2013 Budget attached hereto.
Second was by Steve Henderson.
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or adoption of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District 2012 Tax Rate.

Wayne Brown moved to:
Adopt 0.0099/$100 valuation as the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District 2012 Tax Rate.
Second was by Bill Felps.
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Legal Services for the District.

President Felps informed the Board that he, Dan Brady and General Manager Shell had reviewed the responses to requests for qualifications for legal services that the District had received. They have selected firms for Board consideration after additional information is received from those selected. President Felps tabled action until a future meeting.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees Election. General Manager Shell reviewed the ballot and no action was taken by the Board.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on the appointment of members to the District's Education Committee. President Felps appointed himself and Dan Brady as District members to the committee and took suggestions for community members to the committee.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on the Order Remanding City of Bertram Operating Permit Application OPA-10092401 to the Board for Processing as a Normal Uncontested Matter.

General Manager Shell informed the Board that the parties to the contested permit had settled the matter by written agreement, that the parties contesting the permit had rescinded the protest and that the Hearings Examiner had issued the order remanding the application to the Board for processing as a normal uncontested matter.

Steve Henderson moved to:
Accept the Order Remanding City of Bertram Operating Permit Application OPA-10092401 to the Board for Processing as a Normal Uncontested Matter.
Second was by Wayne Brown.
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on the City of Bertram Operating Permit Application OPA-10092401.

General Manager Shell informed the Board that action could be taken on the remanded uncontested permit and gave his recommendation to the Board to approve the permit as follows:

Application No.: OPA-10092401
Applicants Name & Address: City of Bertram, P.O. Box 1604, Bertram, Texas 78605
Location of Wells: 2310 CR 340, Bertram Texas, 1900 CR 340, Bertram, Texas
Maximum Grandfathered Use Claimed by Applicant: 366.5 Acre Feet Per Year
General Manager's Recommendations: A Grandfather Permit granting 366.5 acre feet per year to a Public Water Supply System.
Purpose of Use: Public Water Supply

Bill Luedecke moved to:
Grant Grandfather Permit No. OP-10092401 to the City of Bertram for 366.5 Acre Feet per Year to a Public Water Supply System.
Second was by Wayne Brown.
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Determination of the Drought Stage. Hydrologist Sodek gave a presentation including a positive outlook for future rainfall due to El Nino developing and District monitor well graphs and aquifer conditions. He recommended remaining at Stage 2 – Moderate Drought due to recent rainfall, cooler weather and reduced pumping. No action was taken to change the Drought Stage.

President Felps then called on the General Manager for the General Manager and/or Staff Report.

a. Rule implementation activities

Activity	Total as of August 9, 2012	Total as of September 14, 2012
Well registrations	3458	3485
Exempt Well Drilling Auth.	469	488
Permit App. Received	128	128
Permit Applications by Use		Permits Issued
Commercial	14	13
Domestic, Livestock & Poultry	41	41
Industrial	9	0
Irrigation	30	19
Public Water Supply	34	25
Total	128	98

Permit Applications by Precinct

Precinct 1	55
Precinct 2	34
Precinct 3	23
Precinct 4	15
Precincts 1 2 & 3	1
Total	128

Meetings are being scheduled on pending permits

Pump installation reports requested by the staff are slowly being received

b. Groundwater Summit

Hydrologist Sodek and Bill Luedecke reported that the summit was a huge success with good speakers, good exhibits and good leads for telemetry options and education projects. Topics of discussion included Desalination of brackish groundwater, aquifer storage and recovery, and legislative issues.

c. Logging Trailer Activities

Hydrologist Sodek informed the Board that thirty-four wells have been logged and that the Groundwater Districts sharing the trailer are also sharing data and seeing aquifer trends. He feels that the logging trailer is one of the best tools that the District has invested in and looks forward to future mapping and 3-D modeling that will be done as a result of having the logger.

President Felps then called for any Director comments.

Steve Henderson suggested that completion dates be set for future rainwater harvesting projects that the District participates in.

General Manager Shell suggested that at some point in time the District consider putting storage tanks for firefighting purposed at certain monitor well sites.

Dan Brady suggested considering cost sharing options on future rainwater harvesting projects that the District participates in.

President Felps then called for Agenda items for the next Regular Board Meeting.

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

President Felps then set the date for the next regular board meeting for, Friday, October 12, 2012 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Felps adjourned the meeting at 10:19 a.m.

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Bill Felps, President Dan Brady, Secretary/Treasurer