

**MINUTES OF
August 13, 2010
BOARD MEETING
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session Friday, August 13, 2010 at 9:05 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	Wayne Brown, Director
Clyde Waters, Secretary/Treasurer	Steve Henderson, Director

Members Absent

Todd Fox, Vice President

Staff and or Consultants Present

Richard Bowers, General Manager	Mitchell Sodek, Hydrologist
Brian Sledge, District General Council	

Others present (who signed the attendance Record)

15 Members of the Public were present only 2 signed the register

President Simmons asked General Manager Bowers to establish a quorum through a roll call of Directors; 4 Directors present and 1 Director absent. President Simmons declared a quorum present; and called the Meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

President Simmons then asked for public comment.

Gordon M. Griffin provided comments to the Board in regard to concerns he has about the purchase of land and an office for the District this time.

There were no other public comments.

President Simmons then asked the Directors to consider the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held July 9, 2010.

Wayne Brown moved to:

Approve the Minutes of the July 9, 2010 regular Board Meeting as presented.

Second was by Clyde Waters.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Simmons then asked the Board to consider and/or act on the expenditures for July 2010.

Wayne Brown moved to:

Approve the expenses for July 2010.

Second was by Clyde Waters.

Vote on the motion carried.

The Board then reviewed the 2009 – 2010 Budget. There was no action needed and none was taken.

President Simmons then called on Jo Karr Tedder to present information to the Board in regard to public education. Mrs. Tedder discussed the various organizations and public entities she is involved with and the need for a public water education program in Burnet County. During her presentation County Judge Klaeger and Commissioner Neve voiced their support for the need for a program. In conclusion Mrs. Tedder asked the Board to consider providing funds in the next fiscal year budget to develop a public water education program.

There was no official action taken on this item. However, Board Members did state that the development of a proposed 2010 – 2011 Budget was on the agenda and this issue would be discussed in more detail in regard to funding at that time.

President Simmons then called for any additional comments on Appendix B – Hydrogeologic Investigation and Report Requirement.
There were none.

President Simmons then declared the record for public comments on Appendix B – Hydrogeologic Investigation and Report Requirement closed.

President Simmons then asked the Board to consider the proposed Appendix B – Hydrogeologic Investigation and Report Requirement.

Clyde Waters moved to adopt Appendix B – Hydrogeologic Investigation and Report Requirement as proposed.

Second by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

Directors, Brian Sledge, General Council for the District and the Manager discussed the process included in the District Rules in regard to processing existing use permit applications. Mr. Sledge stated that the process in the Rules does not clearly provide a process for applicants to request the Board to act on an existing well permit application when there is either not a need or the applicant does not want a grandfathered use permit.

The Board also discussed the possibility of the District paying for flow meters where the Rules required meters to be installed on existing wells. It was suggested that an applicant agree to install a meter on the well(s) that produce less than 50 gpm as a stipulation of the expedited permit process if the District pays for the meter. It was suggested that an agenda item for the next Board Meeting would be action on the District paying part or all of the cost of meters on existing wells in the District.

Brian Sledge suggested to the Board that they could adopt a resolution which would provide for a process to allow an applicant to request the Board to act on the permit application if it is solely for an Operating Permit and not a Grandfathered Use Permit. The Board discussed this suggestion.

Clyde Waters moved to: Authorize the Board President, General Manager, and staff to take all steps necessary to develop and implement a resolution to allow for the processing of Operating Permits before the end of the Verification Period.

Second by Wayne Brown.

Vote on the motion was 4 votes in favor, 0 votes against, 1 Director absent.
President Simmons declared the motion passed.

President Simmons then asked the Board to consider the Public Funds Investment Policy for the District. He called on the General Manager to discuss the changes to the Policy.

General Manager Bowers provided the following information:

The Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District Public Funds Investment Policy (Policy) was adopted June 4, 2007. The Policy was developed from the examples and requirements of the Public Funds Investment Act (PFIA) that public entities are required to follow. The Policy adopted in 2007 was developed from the examples and Brian Sledge provided comments and language included in the Policy. The Board adopted the Policy and has readopted in without change since 2007.

On June 4, 2007, the Board also adopted a resolution identify the General Manager as the “Investment Officer”. One of the requirements of an Investment officer is to meet continuing training requirements identified in the policy and required by the PFIA. The General Manager has met these requirements. The proposed changes to the Policy are from the training sessions in 2009. Brian Sledge has reviewed the proposed changes to the Policy. The changes describe and identify sources for the investment training. The changes are as follows:

- A. For purposes of this policy, an “independent source” from which investment training shall be obtained shall include a professional organization, an institution of higher education or any other sponsor other than a business organization with whom the District may engage in an investment transaction. The following organizations are specifically authorized as independent sources for training:
- Association of Water Board Directors
 - Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts
 - Texas Municipal League
 - Texas Water Conservation Association
 - University of North Texas, Center for Public Management
 - William P. Hobby Center for Public Service at Texas State University

The General Manager suggested the following Board action:
The Board re-adopt the policy with the amendments.

Clyde Waters moved to:

Re-adopt the Texas Groundwater Conservation District Public Funds Investment Policy as amended.

Second by Wayne Brown.

Vote on the motion carried.

The next item on the Agenda for Board consideration was a resolution for the sale of Property Acquired by the Burnet Central Appraisal District at Delinquent Tax Sale.

Clyde Water moved to:

Pass, approve and adopt the Resolution providing for the Sale of Property Acquired by the Burnet Central Appraisal District at Delinquent Tax Sale.

Second by Wayne Brown.

Vote on the motion carried.

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

The report was as follows:

- a. **Attended Region K Meeting July 28, 2010.** Adopted the 2011 Region K Water Plan for submittal to TWDB.
- b. **Rule implementation activities.**

Activity	Total since 9/1/09 as of July 9, 2010	Total since 9/1/09 as of Aug 13, 2010
Well registrations	1,240	1,411
Exempt Well Drilling Auth.	138	150
Permit App. Received	3	10
Permit Applications Sent	5	22
 Requests sent to well owners including Individuals, business owners, PWS, & Non Exempt DLP		50 – 75
 Sent letters to well registrants who either failed to provide gpm for pump or reported in excess of 17.36		50 - 75

- c. **Monitoring well** - January – July 2010 and 2009 water level graphs are on the CTGCD Website. Rainfall Date for January – June 2010 and all of 2009 is also on the CTGCD Website. Mitchell is doing the data collection and uploading to the website for both of these programs.

President Simmons then called for any Director comments.

Clyde Waters discussed the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Conservation Districts document. There were no other comments.

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

They were:

2010 – 2011 Budget

2010 Tax Rate

Public water education program,

Schedule for amending the Management Plan,
Add Director Name to requested agenda items
Trinity Report.

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, September 10, 2010 at 9:05 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Simmons then stated that the Board would go into Executive Session to consider personnel matters including salaries and benefits of the employees for the 2010 – 2011 fiscal year.

President Simmons stated that after the Executive Session adjourned the Board would reconvene to work on the proposed 2010 – 2011 budget for the District.

The Board went into Executive Session at 10:55 a.m.

The Board reconvened in to regular session at 11:45 and began work on the 2010 – 2011 Budget.

President Simmons adjourned the meeting at 2:11 p.m.

John Simmons, President

Clyde Waters, Secretary/Treasurer