

**MINUTES OF
July 20, 2018
BOARD MEETING
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session on Friday, July 20, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. in the District office located at 225 S. Pierce Street, Suite 104, Burnet, Texas.

Members Present:

Bill Felts, President Steve Henderson, Vice President Bill Luedecke, Secretary/Treasurer
Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Director Wayne Brown, Director

Staff and/or Consultants Present:

Mitchell Sodek, General Manager Paul Babb, Field Technician Donnita Coats, Admin. Assistant
William Dugat, Legal Counsel

Others Present: 6 Members of the Public

President Felts established a quorum through a roll call of Directors; declared a quorum present; and called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

President Felts asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

President Felts then asked for consideration and/or action on the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held June 15, 2018.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held June 15, 2018.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felts then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for June 2018; Budget Line Item Adjustments; Review of 2017-2018 Budget; Quarterly Report on Investments.

Wayne Brown moved to:

Approve the Expenditures for June 2018.

Second was by Bill Luedecke.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felts then asked for consideration and/or action on the Burnet County Household Hazardous Waste Program. Burnet County Commissioner - Precinct 4, Joe Don Dockery, gave the Board a handout for the upcoming October 2018 event and presented them with plans to build a permanent Hazardous Waste Facility in Burnet County. The facility if approved would be built and operated with grant funds and funds provided by Burnet County and other participating entities. He requested that, if the project is approved, the District consider participating in the funding for the operation of the facility on an annual basis beginning in 2020. The Facility would be owned by Burnet County with inter-local agreements with substantial partners for support funding. General Manager Sodek informed the Board that a well could be drilled for the site that would become a Monitor Well for the District. The Board will consider funding the project at a future meeting.

President Felps then asked for discussion and/or action to Order a Director Election, authorize Notice of Election, to name Election Officials and on a Contract for Election Services & Joint Election Agreement with the Burnet County Election Administrator.

Wayne Brown moved to:

Order a November 6, 2018 Director Election for the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors Precinct 2 and Precinct 4 positions; to Authorize Notice of Election; to Name Donnita Coats as the Election Officer for the District until such time that another election officer is named by the Board; and to Approve the Contract for Election Services and the Joint Election Agreement between the Burnet County Elections Administrator and the Central Texas Groundwater District for the November 6, 2018 General Election.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on amendments to and/or re-adoption of the District Investment Policy. The Investment Policy of the District requires the District to review the Investment Policy at least annually and adopt a resolution confirming the continuance of the Investment Policy without amendment or re-adopt an amended Investment Policy. General Manager Sodek informed the Board that it was not necessary to amend the current policy at this time.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:

Adopt a Resolution confirming the continuance of the District Investment Policy without amendment.

Second was by Bill Luedecke.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on TML Nominations to the Board of Trustees of the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool. No action was taken.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on determination of the Drought Stage. General Manager Sodek commented on the very dry conditions that have developed rapidly. He reviewed monitor well levels in the Ellenburger-San Saba aquifer which are fluctuating greatly and losing water to spring flow and the Trinity aquifer which is in a downward trend due to lack of winter rains and recharge. He recommended that if the current weather pattern continues the District should consider going to Drought Stage 2 – Moderate Drought in the near future or consider going to Stage 2 at this time.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:

Initiate the Stage 2 Moderate Drought stage of the District Drought Management Plan effective July 20, 2018.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then called on the General Manager for the General Manager and/or Staff Report. Receipt of well applications have slowed down but steady.

a. Well Registrations & Permitting

	Total as of July 17, 2018	Last 30 Days	Last 90 Days	Last 365 Days
Wells in Database	6605	32	81	295
Registered Wells	4730	8	49	181
Wells Pending Registration	139	32	70	123
Imported Unregistered Wells	1705	0	0	0
Canceled/Denied Wells	19	0	2	16
Permit Applications Received	160	0	0	2

Permits by Status	Received	Approved	Denied	Pending	Expired	Terminated
	160	145	1	6	0	8

Permits Approved by Use	Total
Commercial	13
Domestic, Livestock & Poultry	64
Industrial	11
Irrigation	31
Public Water Supply	41
Total	160

Permits Approved by Precinct	Permits	Wells
Precinct 1	67	136
Precinct 2	32	65
Precinct 3	19	31
Precinct 4	24	36
Precinct 1,2,3	1	13
Precinct 1,3	1	2
Precinct 1,4	1	3
Totals	145	286

b. USGS Projects

Due to equipment failure the drilling of the Granite Gravel Well that was to be drilled on July 19th was postponed to August 2nd.

c. Legislative Representation

General Manager Sodek and the General Managers for the other four Districts sharing in the cost for representation by Greg Ellis met with him to complete an inter-local agreement for his services. He will work on interim issues now and provide monthly updates.

d. GMA 8

GMA 8 met on June 27, 2018 and Mitchell Sodek was approved as Region K Representative and Paul Babb approved as Alternate Representative. They are in the next round of the DFC's planning process and request for qualifications for a consulting firm will go out soon. A letter

will be sent to the Texas Water Development Board requesting further study of the Trinity aquifer in Williamson and Travis Counties for fresh data that may lead to the need for groundwater conservation districts in that area.

e. Region K

Field Technician Paul Babb attended the Region K Meeting held on July 11, 2018. They discussed joint planning efforts and appointed, by vote, a new member to the agricultural interest position.

President Felps then Called a Work Session to order at 10:01 a.m.

The Board conducted a work session to review and discuss District Rules with staff and legal counsel. District Legal Counsel, William Dugat stated that there were several issues discussed at previous work sessions that he needed clarification on from the Board and that members of the public, Robert Felps and Andy Carson had public comments on rules revisions to present to the Board. After public comment from Mr. Felps and Mr. Carson, the clarification issues and other possible revisions were discussed. An additional rules work session was set for 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, August 7, 2018. Any revisions made as a result of today's work session will be reviewed at the next work session on the District Rules.

President Felps adjourned the Work Session and returned to the Regular Meeting at 11:48 a.m.


President Felps then called for Director Comments. General Manager Sodek informed the Board that they needed to meet in early August for a Budget Work Session. President Felps set a Budget Work Session for Tuesday, August 7, 2018 immediately following the 9:00 a.m. Rules Work Session at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Felps then called for agenda items for the next Regular Board Meeting
Rules Work Session
Budget


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, August 24, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas. The meeting date may be changed due to date conflicts for Board Members.

President Felps adjourned the meeting at 11:58 a.m.



Bill Felps, President



Bill Luedecke, Secretary/Treasurer