

**MINUTES OF
August 19, 2019
BOARD MEETING
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session on Monday, August 19, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. in the District office located at 225 S. Pierce Street, Suite 104, Burnet, Texas.

Members Present:

Bill Felps, President Bill Luedecke, Vice President Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer
Ryan Rowney, Director Ricky Bindseil, Director

Staff and/or Consultants Present:

Mitchell Sodek, General Manager Paul Babb, Groundwater Resource Specialist
Donnita Coats, Office Manager

Others Present: None

President Felps 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 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 July 19, 2019.

Bill Luedecke moved to:

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held July 19, 2019.

Second was by Kathy Griffis-Bailey.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for July 2019; Budget Line Item Adjustments; and Review of the 2018-2019 Budget.

Bill Felps moved to:

Approve the Expenditures for July 2019.

Second was by Ricky Bindseil.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on the 2020 Benefit Selections for the Texas County & Districts Retirement System (TCDRS) Plan. General Manager Sodek presented and reviewed the TCERS 2020 benefit selections and plan rates as compared to the 2019 Plan.

Ryan Rowney moved to:

Approve the 2020 Benefit Selections and Plan Rates for the Texas County & Districts Retirement System Plan as presented.

Second was by Kathy Griffis-Bailey.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consider and/or action on a Proposed FY 2019-2020 Budget. General Manager Sodek presented and reviewed a proposed FY 2019-2020 Budget and stated that a final budget will be presented for consideration and/or action on adoption at the September 2019 Regular Board Meeting. The proposed budget included a 2 percent cost of living raise for the office staff and additional percentage increases were also discussed.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:

Approve the proposed FY 2019-2020 Budget that was presented to include a 3 percent cost of living raise for all office staff and minor adjustments to be presented in a final budget.

Second was by Ryan Rowney.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on a 2019 Proposed Tax Rate. General Manager Sodek informed the Board that the effective tax rate for 2019 was \$0.0074/\$100 of value for a total tax of \$522,123.00.

Ryan Rowney moved to:

Approve a 2019 Proposed Tax Rate of \$0.0074/\$100 of value.

Second was by Ricky Bindseil.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on determination of the Drought Stage. General Manager Sodek reported that spring flow was above average for this time of year and that due to the wet spring conditions groundwater levels are generally good overall. There was no need to change the current Drought Stage 1 – Near Normal.

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

a. Well Registrations & Permitting

	Total as of August 15, 2019	Last 30 Days	Last 90 Days	Last 365 Days
Wells in Database	6926	30	85	293
Registered Wells	4792	18	53	265
Wells Pending Registration	112	30	74	109
Imported Unregistered Wells	1700	0	0	3
Canceled/Denied/Not Completed Wells	322	0	0	31
Non-Exempt - By Rule	133	10	41	128
Permit Applications Received	166	0	1	3

Permits by Status	Received	Approved	Denied	Pending	Incomplete	Expired	Terminated
	166	148	1	6	2	0	9

Permits Approved by Use	Total
Commercial	14
Domestic,Livestock & Poultry	66
Industrial	11
Irrigation	32
Public Water Supply	41
Total	164

Permits Approved by Precinct

	Permits	Wells
Precinct 1	69	141
Precinct 2	33	72
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	148	298

b. Non-Compliant Permits

General Manager Sodek reported that the District had received the required production reports for the one permittee that was not in compliance with turning in the annual reports. He will discuss compliance issues regarding use in excess of production limits at a future meeting.

c. GMA 8

Groundwater Resource Specialist Babb attended the July 26, 2019 GMA 8 Meeting. GMA 8 is in the process of readopting DFC's and has hired consultants to help with the work. General Manager Sodek informed the Board of a meeting with Texas Water Development Board and the GMA 8 consultant regarding the upcoming DFC planning cycle.

d. Water Availability Studies

Several Water Availability Studies are wrapping up completion and General Manager Sodek discussed one idea for future consideration of lowering pumping rates for wells that are permitted by Rule.

President Felps then called for Director comments. There were no Director comments.

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

Budget

Tax Rate

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, September 20, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Felps adjourned the meeting at 10:34 a.m.

Bill Felps, President

Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer