

**MINUTES OF  
March 17, 2017  
BOARD MEETING  
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session on Friday, March 17, 2017 immediately following a 9:00 a.m. Public Hearing on proposed re-adoption of the District Management Plan 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

**Members Absent:** Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Director    Wayne Brown, Director

**Staff and/or Consultants Present:**

Charles Shell, General Manager    Mitchell Sodek, Asst. General Manager/Hydrologist

Donnita Coats, Admin. Assistant

**Others Present:**

Two 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 9:05 a.m.

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

President Felts then moved agenda item number 6 to precede agenda item number 3.

President Felts then asked for consideration and/or action on sponsoring student participation in the new Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program for high school age 4-H members. General Manager Shell introduced Kelly Tarla, Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Agent for Burnet County and David Smith, Texas 4-H20 Program Coordinator for the 4-H Water Ambassadors Program to present the program details and sponsorship levels to the Board.

Bill Luedecke moved to:

Approve a \$5,000.00 Signature Level Sponsorship for the Texas 4-H20 Water Ambassadors Program for high school age 4-H members to be funded from the general education budget of the District's FY 2016-2017 Budget.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felts then asked for consideration and/or action on the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 17, 2017.

Steve Henderson moved to:

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 17, 2017.

Second was by Bill Luedecke.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for February 2017; Review of 2016-2017 Budget; and Budget Line Item Adjustments.

Bill Luedecke moved to:  
Approve the Expenditures for February 2017.  
Second was by Steve Henderson.  
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Resolutions Providing for the Sale of Property Acquired by the Burnet Central Appraisal District at Delinquent Tax Sale.

Steve Henderson moved to:  
Approve the Resolutions Providing for the Sale of Property Acquired by the Burnet Central Appraisal District at Delinquent Tax Sale.  
Second was by Bill Luedecke.  
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on pending and proposed Legislation in the Texas 85th Legislative Session.

General Manager Shell reviewed House Bill 3677 - Relating to the creation of the Heart of Texas Aquifer District and the dissolution of certain groundwater conservation districts; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, or surcharges and he reviewed House Bill 2377 - Relating to the development of brackish groundwater.

Bill Felps moved to:  
Allow General Manager Shell to contact a Lobbyist to act on behalf of the District to promote the defeat of the Texas 85th Legislative Session House Bills HB 3677 - Relating to the creation of the Heart of Texas Aquifer District and the dissolution of certain groundwater conservation districts; providing authority to issue bonds; providing authority to impose assessments, fees, or surcharges and HB 2377 - Relating to the development of brackish groundwater; and to leave it to the discretion of the General Manager to negotiate the scope of work and expenses for the lobbying services and to execute agreements for lobbying services on behalf of the District.  
Second was by Bill Luedecke.  
Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on determination of the Drought Stage. Assistant General Manager/Hydrologist Sodek recommended staying at the current Drought Stage 1 - Near Normal at this time. No action was taken to change the current Drought Stage.

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

a. Monthly Report of Well Registrations & Permitting Activity

	Total as of February 16, 2017	Total as of March 16, 2017
Well Registrations	4168	4168
Well Drilling Authorizations	1213	1225
Permit Applications Received	154	154

<u>Permit Applications by Use</u>		<u>Issued</u>	<u>Denied</u>	<u>Pending</u>	<u>Expired</u>
Commercial	16	14	0	1	1
Domestic, Livestock & Poultry	55	56	0	0	0
Industrial	11	9	0	2	0
Irrigation	28	24	0	3	0
<u>Public Water Supply</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	154	145	1	7	1

<u>Permit Applications by Precinct</u>	
Precinct 1	69
Precinct 2	34
Precinct 3	26
Precinct 4	23
Precincts 1,3	1
<u>Precincts 1,2,&amp;3</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	154

- b. Update on Database  
Progressing and working on data cleanup.

President Felps then called for Director Comments.

Director Henderson suggested reducing paper use for Board meeting materials and Board Member correspondence with the District. General Manager Shell stated that he would order tablets and set up district email addresses for all Board Members future use.


Vice President Henderson asked for an update on the disposition of the District's 2007 Dodge Pickup. General Manager Shell stated that the pickup had been transferred to the Hill Country Humane Society and that all procedures and paperwork required by the District had been completed.


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

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, April 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Felps adjourned the meeting at 10:26 a.m.

  
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Bill Felps, President

  
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Bill Luedecke, Secretary/Treasurer