## MINUTES OF March 21, 2014 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 21, 2014 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 Steve Henderson, Director

Members Absent

Bill Luedecke, Director

## **Staff and or Consultants Present**

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

## Others present

Two Members of the Public

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 the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 21, 2014.

Dan Brady moved to:

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held February 21, 2014.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for February 2014; Review of 2013-2014 Budget; and Consideration and/or action on Budget Line Item Adjustments.

General Manager Shell requested that this Agenda Item be moved to follow Agenda Item Number 5. Consider and/or action on setting salaries for Directors and designating the effective employment date for Directors.

President Felps informed the Board that Directors salaries and effective date of employment needed to be set since the District By-Laws were amended, to provide for Directors to become employees as that term is defined in the Texas Civil Practices and Remedies Code, at its Public Hearing of February 21, 2014.

Dan Brady moved to:

Set Directors salaries at \$25.00 per month effective March 29, 2014.

Second was by Wayne Brown.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then returned to Agenda Item Number 4 and asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for February 2014; Review of 2013-2014 Budget; and Consideration and/or action on Budget Line Item Adjustments.

Bill Felps moved to:

Approve the Expenditures for February 2014.

Second was by Wayne Brown.

Vote on the motion carried.

General Manager Shell discussed the need to make budget line item adjustments to cover employee payroll expense for Directors.

Bill Felps moved to:

Make the following budget line item adjustments:

Move \$1200.00 from Education - County Waste Disposal to Payroll Expenses - Salary & Wages; Move \$200.00 from Education - County Waste Disposal to Payroll Expenses - Payroll Taxes and Move \$100 from Education - County Waste Disposal to Payroll Expenses - Retirement Fund. Second was by Wayne Brown.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on changes to the District Rules and setting possible Rulemaking Hearing dates.

President Felps discussed the requirements for holding a public hearing or hearings before acting on changes to the District Rules. Director Brady discussed the need for possible rule changes that had been discussed in rules work sessions and reviewed rule changes suggested by District Staff. The Board agreed to have General Manager Shell prepare a draft set of amended rules based on the suggested changes, and to present the draft and suggest possible rulemaking hearing dates at the next regular board meeting.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Determination of the Drought Stage.

Hydrologist Sodek reported that water levels are being affected by seasonal increases in pumping. He recommended to the Board that we remain in the Stage 2 – Moderate Drought Stage at this time but if there is no Spring rain it may be necessary to enter the Stage 3 – Severe Drought Stage in the near future. 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. Monthly Report of Well Registrations & Permitting

Activity	Total as of	Total as of
•	February 21, 2014	March 20, 2014
Well registrations	3717	3732
Well Drilling Auth.	690	702
Permit App. Received	156	157

Permit Applications by Use		Permits Issued
Commercial	16	14
Domestic, Livestock & Poultry	54	53
Industrial	11	5
Irrigation	31	23
Public Water Supply	45	39
Total	157	134
Permit Applications by Precinct		
Precinct 1	72	
Precinct 2	33	
Precinct 3	28	
Precinct 4	23	
Precincts 1 2 & 3	1	
Total	157	

- b. Pumping Scenarios for GMA 8 DFC Update
  General Manager Shell and Hydrologist Sodek discussed future Desired Future Conditions for the
  Burnet County aguifers and adjustments of recharge and pumping rates of the aquifers.
- c. Education Funds to Plug Abandoned well in conjunction with Texas AgriLife Extension General Manager Shell informed the Board that he was planning an education event in conjunction with Texas AgriLife Extension to plug an abandoned well to show the proper way of plugging a well. The one-time expense for plugging the well will be taken from the General Public Education Budget.

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

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

Draft District Rules Set Rule-Making Hearing Date(s)

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 informed the Board that a Permit Hearing was scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on April 18, 2014, which is a District Holiday. The Board agreed to hold the permit hearing as scheduled and to set the regular board meeting to immediately follow the 9:00 a.m. permit hearing at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Felps adjourned the meeting at 11:02 a.m.

Bill Felps, President

Dan Brady, Secretary/Treasurer