MINUTES OF October 15, 2019 BOARD MEETING CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session on Tuesday, October 15, 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 Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer

Ryan Rowney, Director Ricky Bindseil, Director **Members Absent:** Bill Luedecke, Vice President

Staff and/or Consultants Present:

Mitchell Sodek, General Manager Paul Babb, Groundwater Resource Specialist

Donnita Coats, Office Manager District Legal Counsel, Bill Dugat

Others Present: Thirteen

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 called a Work Session to order at 9:01 a.m. There was discussion by Board, Staff, Legal Counsel and the public on Service Needs and Service Area of Retail Public Utilities, Securing Additional Water Rights, Management Zones, Quarry Production, Aquifer Storage and Recovery and the City of Bertram. The work session was adjourned at 11:11 a.m.

Following a short break, President Felps then called the regular session back into order at 11:19 a.m.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held September 20, 2019.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held September 20, 2019.

Second was by Ricky Bindseil.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for September 2019; Review of 2018-2019 Budget; Review of 2019-2020 Budget; Budget Line Item Adjustments; and Quarterly Report on Investments. General Manager Sodek reported that on September 30, 2019 the following line item adjustments were made within a budget category to the Fiscal Year 2018-2019 Budget.

Moved \$9,400.00 From Expenses – Payroll Expenses – Intern And/or PTE To Expenses – Payroll Expenses – Salary & Wages Moved \$238.71 From Expenses – Payroll Expenses – Payroll Expenses Other To Expenses – Payroll Expenses – Salary & Wages

Moved \$243.90

From Expenses – Payroll Expenses – Health Insurance To Expenses - Payroll Expenses – Salary & Wages

Moved \$148.29

From Expenses – Payroll Expenses – Health Insurance To Expenses – Payroll Expenses – Retirement Fund

Ryan Rowney moved to:

Approve the Expenditures for September 2019 and the FY 2018-2019 Budget as Amended September 30, 2019.

Second was by Ricky Bindseil.

Vote on the motion carried.

General Manager Sodek informed the Board that the FY 2019-2020 Budget needed an amendment to create a budget line item for Legislative & State Agency Representation and that \$5,500.00 for proposed expenses could be moved from Expenses – Contract Services – Technical Consultant to the new line item within that category.

Ryan Rowney moved to:

Amend the FY 2019-2020 Budget to include a line item for Expenses - Contract Services - Legislative & State Agency Representation and to move \$5,500.00 into that line item from Expenses - Contract Services - Technical Consultant.

Second was by Kathy-Griffis Bailey.

Vote on the motion carried.

Public Funds Investment Officers, Mitchell Sodek and Donnita Coats, gave the Board a Quarterly Report on the Investment Position of the District for the quarter ending September 30, 2019 in accordance with Section IV of the Public Funds Investment Policy of the District.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Legislative Representation for 2019 through 2021. General Manager Sodek informed the Board that the Blanco-Pedernales District is preparing an interlocal agreement for five Districts to contract with Gregory M. Ellis for legislative and state agency representative services for 2019 through 2021. Mr. Ellis represented the Districts in the last interim and special legislative sessions.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:

Enter into an interlocal agreement between the five Groundwater Conservation Districts proposed to participate to engage the services of Gregory M. Ellis for legislative and state agency representative services for 2019 through 2021 contingent upon all five Districts participation.

Second was by Ryan Rowney.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on a Notice to Purchaser. General Manager Sodek informed the Board of changes made to the draft notice presented at the last regular meeting and presented a notice that would inform buyers of real estate in Burnet County that the District exists, its purpose, the current tax rate and contact information for well registration and transfer of ownership information.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to: Approve the Notice to Purchaser as presented. Second was by Ryan Rowney. Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on determination of the Drought Stage. Groundwater Resource Specialist Babb presented District monitor well charts and Palmer Drought Index Data and US Drought Monitor Data. He reported that there is a declining trend in water levels but that there is no need to change the current Drought Stage 1 – Near Normal at this time.

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

a. Well Registrations & Permitting

	Total as of October 10, 2019	Last 30 Days	Last 90 Days	Last 365 Days
	October 10, 2019	•	•	•
Wells in Database	e 6970	28	77	294
Registered Wells	s 4848	29	78	265
Wells Pending Registration	n 94	27	59	89
Imported Unregistered Wells	s 1700	0	0	3
Canceled/Denied/Not Completed Wells	s 328	2	1	27
Non-Exempt - By Rule	2 157	18	36	146
Permit Applications Received	l 166	0	0	3

Permits by StatusReceivedApprovedDeniedPendingIncompleteExpiredTerminated 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 PrecinctPermitsWells

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. Region K

General Manager Sodek and Groundwater Resource Specialist Babb attended the October 9, 2019 Region K Meeting. The Bertram water management strategy was included in the discussion of local use of groundwater in Region K.

c. Rio Ancho

General Manager Sodek attended to Rio Ancho Homeowners Association meetings regarding the lack of water and water pressure the subdivision is experiencing. He discussed the aquifer characteristics and the need for water conservation in that area.

d. Farm Bureau

General Manager Sodek gave a presentation at the Farm Bureau Annual Meeting on October 5, 2019

e. Southwest Travis Co GCD

There will be an election to form a Groundwater Conservation District on November 5, 2019.

President Felps then called for Director comments. President Felps informed the Board of a formal invitation from Hanson Quarries to attend an open house to view updated quarry operation. A notice of quorum will be posted if 3 or more Board Members choose to attend. Kathy Griffis-Bailey thanked Groundwater Resource Specialist Babb in advance for agreeing to make a District presentation to the Flying S Ranch Property Owners Association to be held on October 19, 2019.

President Felps then called for agenda items for the next Regular Board Meeting. Work Session on District Rule Production Limitation for the Ellenburger-San Saba Aquifer.

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, November 15, 2019 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Felps adjourned the meeting at 12:10 a.m.

Bill Felps, President

Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer