

**MINUTES OF
February 21, 2020
BOARD MEETING
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session on Friday, February 21, 2020, 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: Three

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.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 17, 2020.

Ryan Rowney moved to:

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on January 17, 2020.

Second was by Ricky Bindseil.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for January 2020; Review of 2019-2020 Budget; and Budget Line Item Adjustments. General Manager Sodek reported that the following line item adjustment was made within a budget category to the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget.

Moved \$78.00 From Expenses - Other Expenses - Registration Fees

To

Expenses - Other Expenses - Memberships And Dues

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:

Approve the Expenditures for January 2020.

Second was by Ryan Rowney.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on a Request for Waiver of Penalty and Interest on Taxes from Van Martin.

Ryan Rowney moved to:

Deny the Request for Waiver of Penalty and Interest on Taxes from Van Martin.

Second was by Bill Luedecke.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Request for Qualifications for Architectural Services. General Manager Sodek discussed the procedure for hiring an Architectural Firm to assess the specific office needs of the District, preliminary floor plans and cost for building a District Office. He reviewed a District draft Request for Qualifications for Architectural Services. Kathy Griffis-Bailey suggested including a request for estimated budget for engineering and architectural services. Ryan Rowney suggested including that the architect would evaluate options for a new build versus remodeling an existing structure.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:

Proceed with advertising and dissemination of the Requests for Qualifications for Architectural Services as presented with additions of requests for estimated budget for engineering and architectural services and evaluation of options for a new build versus remodeling of an existing structure, with a deadline of submission of RFQ's being 5:00 p.m., April 30, 2020.

Second was by Ryan Rowney.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Amendment to Monitor Well Agreement. General Manager Sodek informed the Board of a new type of monitor well equipment that includes software to monitor pumping wells and requested approval of amendments to the District Monitor Well Agreements to include the language needed to accommodate use of the new equipment and software. The equipment and software purchase is budgeted for in the FY 2019-2020 Budget.

Ryan Rowney moved to:

Approve amendments to the District monitor well agreements to include accommodations for the use of the new monitor well equipment and software.

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. Groundwater Resource Specialist Babb reviewed the US Drought Monitor and the Palmer Hydrological Index which both show moderate drought in the county. He said the seasonal outlook shows less drought and monitor well data show no drastic changes. He recommended 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 February 19, 2020	Last 30 Days	Last 90 Days	Last 365 Days
Wells in Database	7107	31	102	330
Registered Wells	4963	26	96	283
Wells Pending Registration	91	29	59	85
Imported Unregistered Wells	1698	0	0	2
Canceled/Denied/Not Completed Wells	355	0	6	32
Non-Exempt - By Rule	221	18	47	162
Permit Applications Received	166	0	0	1

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	68	140
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	147	297

b. Region K

General Manager Sodek and Groundwater Resource Specialist Babb attended the Region K Meetings held on February 5, 2020 and February 18, 2020. They adopted the initially prepared State Water Plan. There will be a public hearing for public comment held in Burnet sometime in April.

c. USGS/Felps Springs

It was decided at the January 17, 2020 meeting between General Manager Sodek, Groundwater Resource Specialist Babb and Robert Felps, Felps LLC that the spring monitor equipment that Felps LLC requested be removed from the Felps Springs site would not be removed but would be moved to a location further from eyesight of the current location and monitoring would continue.

d. GMA 8 Modeling

The District has hired a consultant to run Llano Uplift models for two scenarios for current pumping drawdowns and increased MAG drawdowns to be compared to current Desired Future Conditions. The model runs are budgeted for and the consultant contact has been signed

e. Outstanding Permit Issues

General Manager Sodek is working on cleaning up issues with outstanding permit applications.

f. Update on District Database

Working with Third Rock Water to resolve outstanding tickets for requested fixes and monitor well data and graph inconsistencies. Normal support and maintenance is being provided at this time. Request for Qualifications for District Database providers will tentatively be advertised and disseminated in late March.

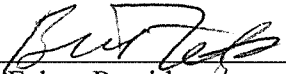
President Felps then called for Director comments. President Felps complimented General Manager Sodek for answering citizen concerns over groundwater issues following the Firefly Space Systems fire mishap. President Felps suggested researching the prospect of allotting funds to clear groundwater absorbing cedar and brush from certain areas of the county.

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

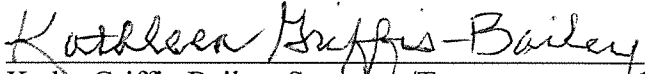
President Felps stated that Directors could contact the General Manager or Board President prior to the deadline for posting notice of the next meeting if they have a suggested agenda item.

President Felps then set the date for the next regular board meeting for, Friday, March 20, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Felps adjourned the meeting at 10:07 a.m.



Bill Felps, President



Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer