

**MINUTES OF  
March 21, 2022  
BOARD MEETING  
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District held a Regular Board Meeting on Monday, March 21, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the District office located at 225 S. Pierce Street, Suite 104, Burnet, Texas.

**Members Present:** Ryan Rowney, President    Ricky Bindseil, Vice-President  
Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer    Homer Will, Director    Paul King, Director  
**Staff and/or Consultants Present:** Mitchell Sodek, General Manager  
Donnita Coats, Office Manager    Bill Dugat, District Legal Counsel  
**Others Present:** 4 Members of the Public

President Rowney declared a quorum present and called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

President Rowney then called for the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.

President Rowney then asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action relating to Deer Springs Water Company's failure to comply with District Rules, relevant statutes, and Permit OP-10102102. General Manager Sodek reported that following the February 25, 2022 Board Meeting, he and District Legal Counsel Dugat met with Cody Lewis with Deer Springs Water Company. Counsel Dugat informed the Board that water rights for Deer Springs Water Company are in question and that he had recommended to Mr. Lewis at the February 25<sup>th</sup> meeting that he use the assistance of a lawyer. A lawsuit against Deer Springs Water Company has been filed and is in the process of being served.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 25, 2022.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:  
Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 25, 2022.  
Second was by Ricky Bindseil.  
Vote on the motion carried.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on an Interlocal Agreement for Legislative Representation Service. General Manager Sodek discussed the previous legislative representation service agreement and interlocal agreement between five Districts for the services of GM Ellis Law Firm, PC (Gregory M. Ellis) and presented a new interlocal agreement for his services that would go through the year 2023. The cost of services would be divided equally for the FY 2021-2022 Budget and the FY 2022-2023 Budget.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:  
Approve the Interlocal Agreement and Legislative Representation Services Agreement for purposes of sharing the costs of hiring the GM Ellis Law Firm, PC to provide legislative representation services for the Participating Districts during the 2022-2023 Texas Legislative season as presented.  
Second was by Homer Will.  
Vote on the motion carried.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for February 2022; Budget Line Item Adjustments; and Review of 2021-2022 Budget. General Manager Sodek reported that the following line item adjustments were needed within a budget category to the Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget:

Move \$3640.00 From Expenses - Contract Services - Technical Consultant To Expenses - Contract Services - Legislative & State Agency Rep

Move \$500.00 From Expenses - Administrative Operations - Miscellaneous To Expenses - Administrative Operations - Small Equipment & Software

Move \$94.16 From Expenses - Administrative Operations - Public Notice & Publications To Expenses - Administrative Operations - Small Equipment & Software

Ryan Rowney moved to:

Approve the Expenditures for February 2022 and the Budget Line Item Adjustments as presented.

Second was by Paul King.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on Determination of Drought Stage. General Manager Sodek reported that the latest Palmer Hydrological Drought Index is showing drier conditions that may worsen but recommended that no change be made to the drought status at this time.

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

a. Well Registrations & Permitting

General Manager Sodek reviewed graphs of current figures for well registration and permitting. The District had been receiving an average of forty applications per month which has now increased to an average of 50 per month.

b. Groundwater Technician Position

The District received 8 applications for the position and after interviewing the most qualified applicants, the position was offered to and has been accepted by Shrader Davis who will begin employment on April 11, 2022.

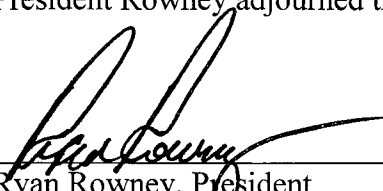
President Rowney then called for Director comments. There were no Director Comments. General Manager Sodek informed the Board of the upcoming District sponsored Burnet County BOPATE\* Waste Collection Event to be held on April 23, 2022.

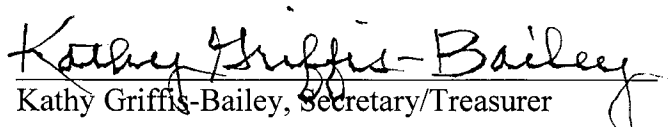
President Rowney then called for agenda items for the next Regular Board Meeting.

Directors may 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 Rowney then set the date for the next regular Board Meeting for, Tuesday, April 19, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, TX 78611.

President Rowney adjourned the meeting at 9:28 a.m.

  
Ryan Rowney, President

  
Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer