

MINUTES

of the November 3, 2008

Board of Directors Meeting

Directors Present: Eddie Schneider, Leo Wick, Sr., L.J. Calley, Lloyd Brunner, Leo Kainer
Directors Absent: None
Others Present: David Van Dresar, General Manager; Monique Norman, Legal Counsel;
Lori Hefner, Administrative Assistant; Wendi Kurtz, Administrative
Assistant

The meeting was called to order by President Schneider at 8:37 a.m., immediately following the 8:30 a.m. public hearing, on November 3, 2008 at the Fayette County Agricultural Building Conference Room 107 located at 255 Svoboda Lane, in La Grange, Texas. A quorum to conduct business was declared to be present.

There were no public comments.

Minutes from the October 6, 2008 Board of Directors meeting were presented. There being no additions or corrections to the minutes, they were approved as read.

The October financial statement and all outstanding bills to be paid were presented. The financial statement was approved as read. Mr. Wick made the motion to pay the bills presented. Mr. Kainer seconded the motion and it was approved.

Mr. Van Dresar gave the District Manager's report to the Board. Mr. Van Dresar advised the Board that an investigation was conducted on October 7 on Kainer Road regarding a complaint received about groundwater being pumped into a pond. He stated that no activity was noted during the investigation and that the property will be monitored to ensure compliance with the District Rules. Another complaint was investigated at Flatonia RV Ranch regarding groundwater being pumped into a pond on the property. Active pumping was found during the investigation and contact was made with the property owner. The owner ceased pumping at that time. The property will be monitored for continued compliance with District Rules. Mr. Van Dresar then advised the Board of a site visit to a property on Deer Haven Road in which the well owner reported problems with their well water. During the investigation it was found that the well had high iron concentrations which could be the cause of the problems facing the well owners. Van Dresar stated that he informed the well owner of the various treatment options available for iron in water. Mr. Van Dresar stated that the District is awaiting word from the TWDB on the administrative completeness of the Management Plan. The District's new Administrative Assistant, Wendi Kurtz, was introduced. Mr. Van Dresar informed the Board that the City of La Grange was still in the planning stages for the test hole on Baumbach Road and that he will

keep the Board updated on the progress of the project. Regarding the 2008 election, Mr. Van Dresar reminded the Board that November 4, 2008 was election day. The Board was then updated about noteworthy groundwater issues around the state, including an Attorney General opinion regarding posted agendas and the AG's opinion that items being discussed must be listed under the title of Manager's Report. An email written by the TAGD Executive Director was presented. The email concerns the issue of mitigation and how groundwater districts are addressing the issue. A letter from the Texas Groundwater Protection Committee was also presented in which Mr. Van Dresar was thanked for his service. Upcoming meetings and seminars were also presented to the Board.

The Board considered action on financial support of a Letter Brief from the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts to be submitted to the Supreme Court supporting the Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District. After a lengthy discussion, Mr. Calley made the motion to support the Rolling Plains Groundwater Conservation District in the amount of \$200.00. Mr. Kainer seconded the motion and it was approved.

The Board considered action on a letter from the Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District to the member Districts of GMA 12 requesting co-funding and technical support of requesting that the TWDB reevaluate and recalibrate the Central Queen City/Sparta Groundwater Availability Model. After discussion and consideration of the FCGCD's capacity to assist in this project, Mr. Calley made the motion that the District support the Post Oak Savannah GCD in their efforts to refine the Central Queen City/Sparta GAM through non-monetary assistance. Mr. Brunner seconded the motion and it was approved.

The Board considered action on purchasing the items for inclusion in water conservation kits which the District provides in association with the Major Rivers water conservation education program. Total cost for providing kits to approximately 360 students this year would be \$1,179.40. Mr. Wick made the motion to purchase the water conservation kit items as presented. Mr. Kainer seconded the motion and it was approved.

The Board considered action on a letter from Stephenson & Trlicek, P.C. for performing the financial audit for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2008. Total cost for the audit would be \$3,050.00. Mr. Brunner made the motion to accept the bid as proposed. Mr. Calley seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

The Board considered action on the 2009 Holiday Schedule for the District, which follows the same schedule as Fayette County. Mr. Brunner made the motion to approve the holiday schedule. Mr. Wick seconded the motion and it was approved.

The Board considered action on the 2009 Board of Directors Meeting Schedule. Mr. Kainer made the motion to accept the meeting schedule as presented with noted options for meeting on March 3, 2009 rather than March 2, 2009 and September 1, 2009 rather than September 7, 2009 as these dates conflict with the holiday schedule. Mr. Calley seconded the motion and it was approved.

The Board considered action on the TML Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool Rerate Notice and Benefits Verification Form. Ms. Hefner presented the Board with the rerates on the District's medical insurance coverage. Ms. Hefner advised the Board that the rates are 13% higher this year than last year due to claims being made on the insurance, but the rates are still within what was budgeted. Mr. Calley

made the motion to continue the medical insurance benefits as presented. Mr. Kainer seconded the motion and it was approved.

Mr. Van Dresar updated the Board on the District Goals and Management Objectives.

Items were identified for the next meeting s'agenda. The next meeting is scheduled for December 1, 2008 in the conference room of the Fayette County Agricultural Building located at 255 Svoboda Lane, La Grange, Texas 78945.

There being no further items on the agenda, Mr. Brunner made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Wick seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 a.m.

Eddie Schneider, President

L.J. Calley, Secretary-Treasurer