

Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District

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MINUTES of the January 7, 2008 Board of Directors Meeting

Directors Present: Eddie Schneider, L.J. Calley, Leo Wick, Leo Kainer, Lloyd Brunner

Directors Absent: None

Others Present: David Van Dresar, General Manager; Larry Beevers

The meeting was called to order by President Schneider at 8:55 a.m., immediately following the 8:30 a.m. public hearing, on January 7, 2008 at the Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District office located at 254 N. Jefferson, Room 600 in La Grange, Texas. A quorum to conduct business was declared to be present.

During the public comments period, Mr. Larry Beevers addressed the Board regarding a 2.0 acre tract of property on Hartfield Road. Mr. Beevers asked for guidance from the Board because his property did not meet the minimum tract size rule and was subdivided after January 1, 2004. The Board offered several suggestions but took no official action. Mr. Wick then spoke to the Board about St. James Baptist Church needing a replacement well. Mr. Van Dresar presented the Board with a preliminary plat for the Nassau Bend Subdivision explaining that the lots sizes met the District Rules and the plat was being presented to the Board for review only.

Minutes from the December 3, 2007 Board of Directors meeting were presented. There being no additions or corrections to the minutes, they were approved as read.

The December financial statement and all outstanding bills to be paid were presented. Mr. Brunner made the motion to approve the financial report and to pay the bills presented. Mr. Calley seconded the motion and it was approved.

Mr. Van Dresar gave the District Manager's report to the Board. He advised the Board of one complaint regarding concrete being dumped in to a pond and one complaint of groundwater being pumped into a lake. Mr. Van Dresar also advised the Board on a letter which the District received from the Texas Department of Licensing and Regulation. Mr. Van Dresar updated the Board on the CLE Water Law Institute which he and Mr. Schneider attended on December 5-7. Mr. Van Dresar then informed the Board that all of the water well registrations have been input into the District's database. Other GCD activities around the state were discussed along with upcoming training events and meetings.

The Board considered a proposal submitted by DBS&A/Glyndata to perform studies related to the estimated recharge in the District, methods to enhance natural and artificial recharge, and rangeland management. The total cost of the study being \$23,000.00 with a time frame of three months. After considerable discussion, Mr. Kainer made the motion to accept the proposal and enter into a contract with DBS&A/Glyndata to perform the studies. Mr. Brunner seconded the motion. The motion was approved.

The Board considered continuing the District's sponsorship of book covers to the area schools. Mr. Van Dresar presented the Board with the 2008 proposal from Walraven for a total cost of \$1,176.00. Mr. Calley made the motion to purchase the book covers. Mr. Kainer seconded the motion and it was approved.

The Board considered staff recommendations regarding two EHUP applications:

A-HUP-2007-0186	ADMV Partners, L.P., c/o Lester Mallory	6 acre feet/year
A-HUP-2007-0178	Mr. Stewart Chuber	3.1 acre feet/year

Mr. Wick made the motion to approve the applications for publication in the local newspapers. Mr. Calley seconded the motion and the motion was approved.

The Board considered granting and issuing Existing and Historic Use Permits. Mr. Van Dresar presented the Board his recommendation to issue the following Existing and Historic Use Permits:

1. HUP-2007-0175 to Mr. Ivan A. Cordes for the maximum annual production of 15 acre feet, to be used to irrigate 15 acres of hay located at 3420 Highway 237, Fayetteville, Texas 78940.
2. HUP-2007-0174 to Mr. Ivan A. Cordes for the maximum annual production of 70 acre feet, to be used to irrigate 35 acres of hay located at 3420 Highway 237, Fayetteville, Texas 78940.
3. HUP-2007-0151 to Mr. Morris F. Zapalac for the maximum annual production of 55.88 acre feet, to be used to irrigate 407.598 acres of property located at 2123 Zapalac Road, La Grange, Texas 78945.
4. HUP-2007-0150 to Mr. Leland G. Oeser for the maximum annual production of 2.5 acre feet, to be used to irrigate 8 acres of hay located at 10008 Rauch Road, La Grange, Texas 78945.
5. HUP-2007-0143 and HUP-2007-0144 to Mr. Henry Reiss for the maximum annual aggregate production of 63.00 acre feet, to be used to irrigate 31.5 acres of hay located at 2798 Reiss Road, West Point, Texas 78963.
6. HUP-2007-0142 to Mr. Wilfred J. Herr for the maximum annual production of 10.5 acre feet, to be used to irrigate 21 acres of hay located at 2355 State Highway 237, Round Top, Texas 78954.
7. HUP-2007-0136 to Mr. Fabern I. Cossey for the maximum annual production of 150 acre feet, to be used to irrigate 75 acres of property located at 5048 Father Anders Loop (Cistern Area), Waelder, Texas 78959.
8. HUP-2007-0137 and HUP-2007-0138 to the Fayette County Water Control and Improvement District-Monument Hill for the maximum annual aggregate production of 112.54 acre feet, to be used as a public water supply for Fayette County WCID-MH located at 889 Country Club Drive, La Grange, Texas 78945.
9. HUP-2007-0135 to the Cistern Water Well Company for the maximum annual production of 20.23 acre feet, to be used as a public water supply for the Cistern Water Well Company located at 9731 FM 2237, Cistern, Texas 78941.
10. HUP-2007-0107 and HUP-2007-0125 to the Ellinger Sewer and Water Supply Corporation for the maximum annual aggregate production of 33.7 acre feet, to be used as a public water supply for Ellinger Sewer and Water Supply Corporation located at P.O. Box 130, Ellinger, Texas 78938.

No public comments or requests for hearing were received regarding any of the permits during the 90 day comment period. Mr. Calley made the motion to approve the applications and to grant and issue the EHU permits. Mr. Kainer seconded the motion. The motion 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 was scheduled for February 4, 2008 at 8:30 a.m. in the District office located at 254 N. Jefferson, Room 600, La Grange, Texas 78945.

Mr. Brunner made the motion to adjourn the meeting and Mr. Calley seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 a.m.

Eddie Schneider-President

L.J. Calley, Secretary-Treasurer