

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
6-15-2026

1. Call to Order – Prayer – Ms. Smith called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Ms. Smith led the prayer.
2. Pledge of Allegiance - The Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and the Water District Pledge. “May we be responsible stewards of our natural resources.”
3. Roll Call – Art Dohmann, Terrell Graham, Barbara Smith and Reagan Sahadi Also present was Michelle Shelton, GM. Colt Williams, Tate Bammert and Gene Moreland were absent.
4. Introduction of Visitors and Welcome Guest – Ms. Smith introduced and welcomed Norma Edison, Shana Elliott, Jordan Furnans and Bill Parmley.
5. Public Comment – Mr. Furnans from Windward-Water. He is now working as an independent and looking forward to any upcoming opportunities. He announced that TWDB will be holding a meeting on June 25th to finalize the grant award recipients. Mr. Dohmann notified the District of the request for him to provide testimony for the affected landowners in the upcoming mining permit case. Mr. Graham made comment regarding the pasture mealy bugs that are now on his property on 239. Also affected are Mr. Bammert on Pettus Road and Mr. Dohmann,

Hearings

6. Open Public Hearing- Under Section 36.404 of the Texas Water Code, the Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors does hereby give notice of a public hearing to be held on Monday, June 15, 2026 at 5:00 p.m. at the Groundwater District Office, 118 S. Market St., in Goliad, Texas. The purpose of this hearing is to hear public comments on applications for proposed drilling and operating permits.

Permit No. 79-13-P-0127 for Edward D. Day located at 4854 Post Oak Road, Goliad, Texas on a 6-acre tract owned by Edward D. Day. The use for the new well would be for water to maintain an earthen stock tank to be stocked with fish to be used for Autism Children’s Programs and Wounded Warrior Programs. The requested amount of water is 2.25 ac/ft/yr.

Public comment was open at 5:07 p.m. Mrs. Shelton notified the Board of the concerns and questions from one of the adjoining property owners. Being no further public comment, the public comment period was closed and went to the Board for review and discussion. The Board discussed the “beneficial use” of this permit request. Mr. Graham moved to table this permit request to the July board meeting pending acquisition of additional information from the permit requestor and the General Manager to include size/shape/depth of pond, description of equipment and clarification of use of old well. Mr. Sahadi seconded. A majority of the quorum voted in the affirmative and the motion passed. Mr. Dohmann abstained.

Consent Agenda Items

Items listed under the Consent Agenda are considered routine and may be enacted in one motion. A member of the Board of Directors may request one or more items be removed from the consent agenda for a separate discussion and action.

7. Approval of Minutes from May 18, 2026 Regular Meeting
8. Approval of May Financials
9. Approval of Invoices
10. Approval of Employee Reimbursements & Directors Reimbursements

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
6-15-2026

The Board reviewed the agenda items as presented. Mr. Dohmann made a general comment that the transfer of \$105,000 to a CD was not reflected in this month's reports. Mrs. Shelton reported that it was just a timing issue, as it took longer with the approvals at Huntington. Mr. Dohmann suggested that an agenda item be for the July meeting agenda to include review proposed budget revisions to address possible field technician overage. Mr. Dohmann moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items as presented. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried.

Individual Agenda Items

11. Report from Litigation Committee; Final Trial Hearing rescheduled to July 17th at 9:00 am in Travis County (D-1-GN-24-009492); Discussion and take action as necessary – No update. No action required.
12. Report from GMA-15 Committee; Discussion and take action as necessary – No update. No action required.
13. Report from Rules Committee; Discussion and possible Action on review and proposed changes or revisions – Ms. Smith provided the Board an overview of committee suggestions for Rules revisions. Ms. Smith attended the VCGCD meeting where Rules revisions for Victoria County were discussed. No action was required.
14. Discussion and possible Action on Goliad County Election Contract – Norma Edison, Goliad County Elections Administrator addressed Board questions regarding the Election Contract between GCGCD and the County to include cost issues. The Board suggested that someone from the District get on the Commissioners Court Agenda to discuss the Elections Contract and what is reasonable to see the Commissioners position. For the July meeting, Ms. Edison will have an estimated cost for the Board to review. No action was required.
15. Discussion and possible Action on Ad Valorem Tax Collections – Mr. Graham provided the Board an update on his research regarding the Ad Valorem overage. This discrepancy comes from the new improvements and is not considered in the tax rate calculations according to the law and the District has not over collected. Another issue is regarding law suits that the Appraisal District has been involved in. Since GCGCD is a taxing authority, the District should be included in settlement agreements. The District will need to consider at the next budgeting cycle litigation expenses. No action was required.
16. Discussion and possible Action on letter from Refugio GCD regarding Joint Meeting with Refugio GCD and surrounding counties – Ms. Smith provided the Board an update on her conversation with Mr. Andruss. GCGCD was the only District that responded. Mr. Andruss will be responsible for preparing an agenda for what they would like to address and get back to the District. No action was required.
17. Discussion and possible Action on RFP review and options for water attorneys – Mrs. Shelton provided the Board an update on the request letter that went out to water attorneys for general counsel and a list of the requestees. No action was required.
18. Discussion and possible Action on Bi-Annual Water Level Report and Resolution adopted by Commissioners' Court – Mr. Graham presented to the Board his observations of our recent water level measurements. To his personal observation, the levels do not indicate a water emergency. Mr. Graham is noting a .63 average decline year over year from 2025-2026 levels. No action was required.
19. General Manager's Report and updates. Field Tech Report – Burton Monitor Well/Bhakta Monitor Well/City Well Report, New Well Report. Take Board action as necessary. – Mrs. Shelton provided an overview to the Board of the activities of the District over the past month. The District is on track, more or less, with the DFC model. No action was required.
20. Discussion on Upcoming Meetings and Meetings Attended – Ms. Smith will be attending the July 10th Victoria GCD meeting.
21. Items for Future Consideration / Topics for Next Meeting – Need to start working on the Budget. Ms. Smith will be out for the July meeting and Mr. Moreland will be conducting the meeting.

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
6-15-2026

22. Public Comments – Mr. Furnans recommended for the next month agenda to discuss issuing the RFP for grant work. Mr. Graham commented on Kendall County Rules to consider.
23. Adjourn – Mr. Dohmann moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Submitted by: Michelle Shelton

Approved by Board of Directors: July 20, 2026