

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
2-17-2025

1. Call to Order – Prayer - Mr. Graham 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 – Terrell Graham, Colt Williams, Barbara Smith, Art Dohmann were present. Reagan Sahadi and Wilfred Korth were virtual via zoom. Tate Bammert was absent. Also present was Michelle Shelton, GM.
4. Introduction of Visitors and Welcome Guest – Mr. Graham introduced and welcomed Bill Parmley, David Michaelson, Linda Pinsker and Christian Palacios with Congressman Michael Cloud’s office.
5. Public Comment – There was no public comment.

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.

6. Approval of Minutes from January 20, 2024 Regular Meeting
7. Approval of Minutes from January 18, 2025 Workshop
8. Approval of January Financials
9. Approval of Invoices
10. Approval of Employee Reimbursements & Directors Reimbursements

Mr. Dohmann moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items as submitted. Mr. Korth seconded. The motion carried unopposed.

Individual Agenda Items

11. Report from Litigation and Mining Permit Committee; Discussion with Edwin Hatcher regarding possible/probable costs for monitor wells. Discussion and possible action – Mr. Hatcher had a conflict and was unable to attend. Mrs. Shelton was directed to get with Mr. Hatcher regarding Director questions and report back at the next meeting. Mr. Graham provided the Board a breakdown of the settlement discussions with Mr. Wall. Mr. Dohmann added additional information on the item-by-item discussions. No action was required.
12. Report from Public Outreach Committee regarding possible system displays at the District, Discuss and take action as necessary – Mrs. Shelton provided the Board on update on the companies she has reached out to regarding displays that will be providing additional information. No action was required.
13. Discussion and Action on GMA-15/Region L Matters – Mr. Graham provided the Board an update on the new TWDB model release. Mrs. Shelton provided the Board an overview of bullet points from the Region L meeting and provided a detailed write-up for the Board’s perusal. No action was required.
14. Discussion and Action on adding part-time field tech assistance – Mrs. Shelton presented to the Board a written proposal for a seasonal field technician. After Board review and discussion, Mr. Graham moved to have Mrs. Shelton prepare a Facebook post to ascertain interest and response to hire seasonal field technician; initially 80 flexible in the spring and 80 flexible hours in the fall up to \$25.00 an hour dependent on qualifications. The GM would make the final decision. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
15. Discussion and Action on sending a request to EPA to do a review – Mr. Graham provided the Board as well as Mr. Palacios an overview and history of the Aquifer Exemption. There was Board discussion on the history and paths forward to request a re-evaluation of the exemption. Mr. Williams moved to give Mr.

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- Dohmann and Mrs. Shelton the authority to finalize the letter to the EPA, Region 6, and submit on behalf of GCGCD as well as provide a copy to Mr. Palacios. Ms. Smith seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
16. Discussion and Action on Water Conservation Award Recipient – Mr. Korth moved to nominate Brian Yanta as this years Water Conservation Award Recipient on behalf of GCGCD. Ms. Smith seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
 17. General Manager’s Report and updates. Field Tech Report – Bhakta Monitor Well/City Well Report, New Well Report. Take Board action as necessary - Mrs. Shelton gave the Board an overview of new well locates, Burton/Bhakta monthly levels, city well monthly pumping and General Manager activities as well as meetings attended for the previous month to include recent water testing and upcoming legislation that will affect the District. No action was required. Mr. Dohmann discussed with the Board the recent surface water/ground water result for arsenic specific testing for the Well Contamination in the Ander Area investigation. The results were negligible readings in the surface water and high levels in the groundwater. After Board discussion, Mrs. Shelton has been directed to review and research to determine what action to take and who to contact. No action was required.
 18. Discussion on Upcoming Meetings and Meetings Attended – Nothing further to add
 19. Items for Future Consideration / Topics for Next Meeting – Mr. Graham requested research from the GM and come back to the Board with Zoom link legal requirements.
 20. Public Comments – No public comment.
 21. Adjourn – Ms. Smith moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Williams seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Submitted by: Michelle Shelton

Approved by Board of Directors: April 21, 2025