

Goliad County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
3-16-2026

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 – Gene Moreland, Colt Williams, Art Dohmann, Terrell Graham, Reagan Sahadi and Barbara Smith, . Also present was Michelle Shelton, GM. Tate Bammert were absent.
4. Introduction of Visitors and Welcome Guest – Ms. Smith introduced and welcomed Ginger Cook, Bill Parmley, Misty Ortega, Rodney Packard, Rick Kocurek, Kai Buckert, David Michaelson, Shana Elliott, Greg Chapman, Linda Pinsker, Corey Pedeville and Chris Cuellar. Kenneth Klonica, Trey Cranford and Kelly Hartman attended virtually.
5. Public Comment – Mr. Parmley made a comment regarding the Odem well from the previous meeting and that he was in opposition of the well.

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 February 16, 2026 Regular Meeting
7. Approval of February Financials
8. Approval of Invoices
9. Approval of Employee Reimbursements & Directors Reimbursements

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

Individual Agenda Items

10. Discussion and possible Action on the Hearing on the Merits for the UEC mining permit to be held virtually at the GCGCD offices for the benefit of the public – Mrs. Shelton made a request to the Board that the District make available the TCEQ hearing scheduled hearing for August 25th and August 26th virtually at the offices for the benefit of the affecting parties and the public, as well as the preliminary hearing on August 21st. Mr. Graham moved to make the space available on August 21, 25, 26 for the preliminary hearing and live hearing. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
11. Discussion and possible Action on appointing a Board Member to be Investment Officer – Ms. Smith updated the Board that Mr. Moreland had volunteered to be the Investment Officer moving forward and would be attending the PFIT training with Mrs. Shelton in June. No action was required.
12. Discussion and possible Action on Draft form to report any water level, quality changes – Mr. Dohmann moved to adopt the form as presented to report any issues relating to water levels or quality issues or changes. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
13. Discussion and possible Action on EPA response to revisiting and re-reviewing the aquifer exemption granted for Uranium Energy Corporation (UEC) – Mrs. Shelton updated the Board that she has been following up periodically with the EPA regarding the request to revisit the Aquifer exemption for the UEC matter. The EPA is pending the completion of the permit renewal hearing. Mrs. Shelton shared with the Board and public the response from the EPA. Mr. Dohmann moved to request that a letter be written and submitted to TCEQ to request the EPA permission to review the Aquifer Exemption. Mr. Williams seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
14. Discussion and possible Action on TWDB AG Grant Application and Administration and update on the Groundwater Research, Science and Data Collection Grant - The Groundwater Research, Science

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- and Data Collection Grant has been received and the District has received confirmation. The Ag Grant was not ready in time for submittal. No action was required.
15. Report from Litigation Committee; Discussion and take action as necessary – Mr. Graham updated the Board on responses to written brief that was provided to the Board. No action was required.
 16. Report from GMA-15 Committee; Discussion and take action as necessary – Mr. Graham updated the Board on the GMA-15 Special Meeting held on March 12th. Sometime this month, the package would be ready for review for the DFC's and Explanatory Report to be posted for 90 day review and post hearing notice 20 days prior; must be out by May 1st. No action was required.
 17. Discussion and possible Action on hiring a field technician – The Board moved into Executive Session at 6:26 p.m. The Board came out of Executive Session at 7:15 p.m. Mr. Graham moved to have the General Manager speak again with the top two candidates and make an offer as long as it is within the boundaries of \$16-\$20/hr. Mr. Williams seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
 18. Discussion and possible Action on review for amendments to Export Moratorium – Mr. Graham advised the Board that the Volunteer Fire Departments had been inadvertently left off the Moratorium exceptions. Mr. Graham moved to adopt the revised Resolution for the Moratorium to include the Voluntary Fire Departments as exceptions to the Moratorium. Mr. Moreland seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
 19. Discussion and possible Action on additional Ad Valorem tax collections – After Board discussion and review of the overage in ad valorem tax collections, Mr. Dohmann requested to receive a more specific explanation and re-review to include where the money has been. Mr. Dohmann moved to request a representative of Linebarger, Goggan, Blair & Sampson, LLP to appear at the April regular Board Meeting. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
 20. General Manager's Report and updates. Field Tech Report – Burton Monitor Well/Bhakta Monitor Well/City Well Report, New Well Report. Discussion regarding Splash Pad and new subdivision just outside the city limits. Discussion regarding landowner reported water issues on Fox Road. Take Board action as necessary – Mrs. Shelton updated the Board on the activities of the District for the prior month. The Board approved the \$500 for the addition of the Gulf Coast Aquifer System composite instead as well as inclusion of the division by sub-aquifer that needs to go to GMA-15. After Board discussion regarding the use of water by the City of Goliad, Mr. Graham moved that Mrs. Shelton prepare a nicely worded letter to the city informing them of total amount they are allowed, where they are at now, and appreciate them taking a look at the information and do some planning. Mr. Dohmann seconded. The motion carried unopposed.
 21. Discussion on Upcoming Meetings and Meetings Attended – The GMA-15 meeting is still on the Books for April 9th but will probably be cancelled. The General Manager has been invited to present at the Annual Workforce & Wellness Expo at the Middle School on April 30. The President will be attending as well.
 22. Items for Future Consideration / Topics for Next Meeting – RFP for water attorney's will be addressed at the next meeting. Tax collection issues will be addressed at the next meeting.
 23. Public Comments – Mr. Cuellar updated the Board on the happenings with attempting to establish the Nueces County Groundwater Conservation District and the status of water in Nueces County. Ms. Smith updated the Board regarding upcoming legislation and a legislator from Nueces County that will be introducing legislation promoting that the State be in charge of all the water for big cities.
 24. Adjourn – Mr. Dohmann moved to adjourn the meeting. Mr. Graham seconded. The motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Submitted by: Michelle Shelton

Approved by Board of Directors: April 20, 2026