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GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

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Cody Rayburn, Director

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**MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING-PERMITS – January 22, 2026**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

The public hearing was called to order at 1:00 pm by Terry Morrow, President.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

There were no public comments.

**3. PUBLIC HEARING FOR PERMIT APPLICATIONS**

The General Manager told the Board that the applications for Summer Field Farms, LLC dba Powell Plants and Kevin Vu met the requirements of the District's Rules and Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code and that the applications were administratively complete.

There was no public comment.

**4. CONSIDER AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON THE DRILLING AND OPERATING PERMITS LISTED ABOVE**

Action to be considered and possibly taken in the regular board meeting.

**The Public Hearing was ended and the board meeting was opened at 1:01 PM.**

**MINUTES OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING – January 22, 2026**

**DIRECTORS PRESENT**

Terry Morrow, President; Gary Douglas, Secretary; Jimmy Terrell, Director; Cody Rayburn, Director; Randall Chandler, Director; Danny Crossley, Director

**ALSO PRESENT**

Penny Hanson, General Manager; Deborah Trejo, Attorney; Holli Baze, Attorney; Members of Public

**CALL TO ORDER**

Terry Morrow, President, opened the Board meeting at 1:01 pm

**1. DECLARATION OF A QUORUM AND INVOCATION**

A quorum was declared by Gary Douglas, Secretary.

## **2. INVOCATION**

The invocation was given by Terry Morrow, President.

## **3. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Public comments were given by Jim Allison, Attorney at Law, on Items 3 and 15.

## **4. ELECTION OF 2026 BOARD OFFICERS**

The 2026 board officers are as below:

A motion was made by Randall Chandler to elect Terry Morrow as President, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Rayburn, passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Danny Crossley to elect Gary Douglas as Vice President, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jimmy Terrell, passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Cody Rayburn to elect Randall Chandler as Secretary, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Danny Crossley, passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Danny Crossley to elect Jimmy Terrell as Treasurer, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Rayburn, passed unanimously.

## **5. RECEIVE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS AND REPORTS FROM RANDY GORHAM, CPA**

Financial reports were presented to the Board. No action required.

## **6. CONSENT ITEMS:**

A motion was made by Cody Rayburn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Jimmy Terrell to approve the minutes for the November 20, 2025 meeting and payment of bills for February 1, 2026 through February 28, 2026, passed unanimously.

## **7. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON ADDITIONAL OFFICE SPACE.**

A motion was made to approve the new office lease with additional space by Gary Douglas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Danny Crossley, passed unanimously.

## **8. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON AUDIT ENGAGEMENT LETTER FOR 2025 AUDIT**

A motion was made to accept the Audit Engagement Letter from MCPA,PC for the 2025 audit by Gary Douglas, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randall Chandler, passed unanimously.

## **9. DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON 3% INCREASE OF TRANSPORT FEES**

A motion was made to increase the transport fee by 3% by Cody Trahan, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Danny Crossley, passed unanimously.

**10. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION AGAINST CUNEY RURAL WATER SUPPLY FOR NON-COMPLIANCE.**

A motion to have Holli Baze, attorney, send a letter of non-compliance to Cuney Rural Water Supply was made by Cody Rayburn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Randall Chandler, passed unanimously.

**11. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON RETENTION OR ENGAGEMENT OF ATTORNEYS FOR DISTRICT**

No action taken.

**CLOSED SESSION:** The regular board meeting was ended at 1:28 pm and the board entered closed session at 1:30 pm. The closed session was ended at 2:30 pm and the regular board meeting was re-opened at 2:31 pm.

**12. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A DRILLING PERMIT AND OPERATING PERMIT FOR SUMMER FIELD FARMS, LLC DBA POWELL PLANTS WELL #2 FOR AGRICULTURE USE, LOCATED AT 22077 HWY 79 E, NEW SUMMERFIELD, TX. TOTAL USAGE APPLIED FOR IS 25,000,000 GALLONS OR 76.72 ACRE-FEET ANNUALLY AT AN ESTIMATED RATE OF 175 GALLONS PER MINUTE.**

A motion was made to table by Gary Douglas.  
The motion to table was rescinded by Gary Douglas.

A motion to approve the drilling permit and operating permit for Summer Field Farms, LLC dba Powell Plants well #2 for agriculture use, located at 22077 Hwy 79 E, New Summerfield, TX. Total usage applied for is 25,000,000 gallons or 76.72 acre-feet annually at an estimated rate of 175 gallons per minute was made by Randall Chandler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Rayburn, passed unanimously.

**13. DISCUSS AND POSSIBLY TAKE ACTION ON A DRILLING PERMIT AND OPERATING PERMIT FOR TWO (2) WELLS FOR KEVIN VU, WELL #1 AND WELL #2, FOR AGRICULTURE USE LOCATED AT 2020 ACR 1232, PALESTINE, TX. TOTAL USAGE APPLIED FOR EACH WELL IS 175,000 GALLONS OR .53 ACRE-FEET ANNUALLY AT AN ESTIMATED RATE OF 45 GALLONS PER MINUTE.**

A motion to approve the drilling permit and operating permit for two (2) wells for Kevin Vu, well #1 and well #2, for agriculture use located at 2020 ACR 1232, Palestine, TX. Total usage applied for each well is 175,000 gallons or .53 acre-feet annually at an estimated rate of 45 gallons per minute was made by Randall Chandler, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Cody Rayburn, passed unanimously.

**15. CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION, IF ANY.**

No action taken.

**16. ADJOURN.**

A motion to adjourn at 2:34 pm was made by Cody Rayburn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Danny Crossley, passed unanimously.



Terry Morrow

President

2-19-26

DATE

Attest

