

**PANHANDLE GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

District Office – Windmill Room
201 W. Third Street, White Deer, Texas

Thursday August 16, 2018

Those present were:

Danny Hardcastle	President
Phillip Smith	Vice-President
Chancy Cruse	Secretary
Bill Breeding	Director
Joy Shadid	Director
John R Spearman, Jr	Director
Jim Thompson	Director
C.E. Williams	General Manager
Monique Norman (via conference call)	Attorney
Bill Mullican	Professional Geoscientist
Peter Winegeart	Asst. Manager
Britney Britten	PR/Education
Steve Shumate	Hydrogeologist
Jennifer Puryear	Meteorologist
Julie Bennett	Admin. Asst.

Guests Present: Ronnie Hopper, HPWD Board Member; Chad Parnell, CRMWA

AGENDA ITEM 1 – CALL TO ORDER

President Danny Hardcastle called the meeting to order at 9:10 am

AGENDA ITEM 2 – PUBLIC COMMENT

President Hardcastle opened the floor for public comments.

High Plains Water District Board Member Ronnie Hopper addressed the Board and presented them with a handout concerning the boundary dispute between High Plains Water District and Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District.

Because this was not an agenda item, there was no discussion.

Mr. Hopper's handout is attached to these minutes

AGENDA ITEM 3 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON MINUTES

- a. Board Meeting 7-12-18

Chancy Cruse made the motion to approve the minutes as written, seconded by Phillip Smith, motion passed unanimously.

A copy is attached to these minutes

AGENDA ITEM 4 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE RATIFY THE EXPENDITURES

- a. July 2018

Jim Thompson made the motion to approve the July 2018 expenditures, seconded by John R. Spearman Jr., motion passed unanimously

A complete copy of the financial statement(s) is attached to these minutes

AGENDA ITEM 5 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON DONLEY CO SHERIFF’S SALE:

a. Lot 14, Blk 2, OT, Hedley	Minimum Bid: \$175	Bid: \$175
b. Lot 8 & E2 Lot 9, Blk 30, OT, Clarendon	Minimum Bid: \$105	Bid: \$105
c. W2 Lot 9 & all Lot 10, Blk 30, OT, Clarendon	Minimum Bid: \$105	Bid: \$105
d. 10.24 ac in Sec 95, Blk 20, H&GN, Donley Co	Minimum Bid: \$1964	Bid: \$1964
e. Lots 226 & 227, Arrowhead, Howardwick	Minimum Bid: \$1020	Bid: \$1020

Bill Breeding made the motion to approve items a-e of the Donely Co Sheriff’s sale, seconded by Phillip Smith, motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 6 – REPORT FROM BUDGET COMMITTEE AND CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION 20 2018-2019 BUDGET

Director Joy Shadid stated that the Budget Committee consisting of herself, Danny Hardcastle and Phillip Smith met on Thursday August 9th. After review and discussion of the proposed budget the committee agreed to submit the budget to the Board of Directors for approval.

General Manager C.E. Williams stated that with the proposed rule change requiring meters be installed on all 2” or greater wells the Staff feels a cost share program on the installation of meters on existing wells that are currently not required to be metered would encourage compliance from the operators; therefore, \$350,000 will be moved from reserves to fund the program. Mr. Williams added that the program will only be available for one fiscal year.

Director Phillip Smith added that the tax rate was not increased to fund the cost share program.

After discussion Bill Breeding made the motion to adopt the proposed 2018-2019 budget of \$1,932467.42, seconded by Jim Thompson, motion passed unanimously.

A copy of the budget is attached to these minutes

AGENDA ITEM 7 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON 2018-2019 TAX RATE

After discussion Jim Thompson made the motion to set the 2018-2019 effective tax rate at 0.009055 per \$100 valuation, seconded by Phillip Smith, motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 8 - CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO NOMINATE CANDIDATES TO BE PLACED ON BALLOT FOR ELECTION TO THE ARMSTRONG COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

After discussion Bill Breeding made the motion to nominate Lucas Minkley and Rit Christian to be placed on the ballot for the 2019-2020 Appraisal District Board election.

AGENDA ITEM 9 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON QUARTERLY PRODUCTION REPORTS AND OUT OF DISTRICT TRANSPORTATION REPORTS FROM THE CITY OF AMARILLO, CONOCO PHILLIPS, CRMWA, THE CITY OF BORGER, THE CITY OF FRITCH, THE CITY OF MEMPHIS, THE CITY OF CLARENDON, BRICE-LESLEY AND GREENBELT WATER AUTHORITY

General Manager C.E. Williams made the Board aware that due to a staff change at Brice-Lesley their third quarter water reports were not received, however it will be on the September meeting agenda for approval.

After review John R. Spearman, Jr. made the motion to approve the quarterly production and transportation reports received, seconded by Bill Breeding, motion passed unanimously.

Reports are attached to these minutes

AGENDA ITEM 10 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON NEW AG LOAN FROM TWDB

General Manager C.E. Williams gave an update on the February 2017 loan the District received from the TWDB. With less than \$150,000 remaining in the PGCD agricultural loan fund, and due to continued interest in the program he suggested we apply for a new loan to continue the program.

Jim Thompson made the motion to apply for a \$1 million loan from the TWDB and authorize PGCD staff to complete all necessary documentation, seconded by Phillip Smith, motion passed unanimously.

AGENDA ITEM 11 – REPORT ON ANNUAL REVIEW OF DEPLETION

District Hydrogeologist Steve Shumate reviewed and discussed the draft of the 2017 Annual Percent Decline analysis with the Board. Mr. Shumate highlighted specific wells throughout the District that are and have been exceeding the annual and cumulative percent decline for several years.

Steve and District PR Director Britney Britten presented the interactive map that is now on the District web-site and reviewed the information the landowners and operators will soon have access to concerning their meters and wells.

A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes

AGENDA ITEM 14 – CONSIDERATION POSSIBLE ACTION ON DRAFT RULES

General Manager C.E. Williams presented and discussed the presentation that is going to be used in educating the public on the proposed rule changes and reviewed and discussed the draft copy of the rule changes.

Mr. Williams stated that the Staff is proposing that the operator upload a picture of their meters when they start up the well at the beginning of the growing season to the District's website in order to verify that the meter is in good working condition. PR Director Britney Britten demonstrated to the Board how it will be done. C.E. added that the Field Technicians will still read the meters twice a year, July & December.

After discussion Bill Breeding made the motion authorizing the Staff to make any minor changes to finalize the proposed rule changes and put together the educational materials to be approved at the next board meeting, seconded by Jim Thompson, motion passed unanimously.

A copy of the presentation is attached to these minutes

AGENDA ITEM 15 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SCHEDULING OF PROPOSED RULE EDUCATION TOUR

General Manager C.E. Williams stated that he will have a proposed schedule for the educational tour ready for the next meeting. No action taken.

AGENDA ITEM 12– CONSENT AGENDA DRILLING PERMITS

The following items are a part of the Consent Agenda. All Well Permit requests in Agenda Items A -B have been thoroughly reviewed by staff, are administratively complete and the General Manager is recommending issuance.

RECLASSIFY WELLS – NONE

A. Drilling Permits for wells with 4” pump or smaller DOMESTIC WELLS

1. CA-1319-DW-R – JOE & CAROL HILLHOUSE – A 1” well to be drilled on 5 ac by Magic Circle by 8/7/18 in the NW4 of Section 69, Blk 2, Tyler Tap Survey (being located @ 1329 US Hwy 60 on N side of Hwy 60, just west of Panhandle at the vet clinic) Carson County, Texas
2. GR-789-DW- RICHARD CHESTER - A 1” well to be drilled on 7.85 ac by 4M by 8/31/18 in the NE4 of Section 113, Block 3, I&GN Survey (being located @ approx. 4/10 mi W of Hwy 70 on W McCullough St on S side of McCullough St, outside Pampa City Limits) Gray, County Texas
3. GR-792-DW-OTH – JAY AND DEBORAH HENSON- A 1” well to be drilled on .77 ac by 3T by no date in the NW4 of Section none, Block none, T Leath Survey (being located @ 624 W 4th St in Lefors on N side of 4th St ½ block E of Hwy 273 as it goes S) Gray County Texas **Easement on File**
4. AR-69-DW – DON OLIVER- A 1” well to be drilled on 4.65 ac by Magic Circle by 9/1/18 in the SW4 of Section 106, Block B4, H&GN Survey (being located @ 5811 Co Rd 6, approx. ¾ mi S of Hwy 287 on Co Rd 6) Armstrong County Texas
5. PO-556-DW – DAVID BRABHAM- A 1” well to be drilled on 2 ac by Etter by 7/27/18 in the NW4 of Section 10, Blk 9, BS&F Survey (being located @ 105 Palomino St on Lot Block Tract 21, West Acres Addn, N of Gem Lake in Amarillo City Limits) Potter County Texas
6. AR-72-DW-SW – CHARLES & CLEO GOODIN – A 1” well to be drilled on 10 ac by K-Ran by 7/15/18 in the NE4 of Section 144, Block B3, H&GN Survey (being located approx. 1 mi S of Co Rd 25 and ¼ mi W to well location) Armstrong County Texas

Bill Breeding made the motion to approve Agenda Item 12, A, 1-6, seconded by Jim Thompson, motion passed unanimously.

OTHER WELLS

7. AR-66-MUN-R A 4” well to be drilled on 160 ac by Currie Drilling by 7/20/18 in the NW4 of Section 236, Block B4, H&GN Survey (being located 1657 feet S 175 feet E of intersection of Co Rd 16 and Hotel Rd approx. 1.9 mi S of Claude on Hwy 207 and 1.1 mi E) Armstrong County Texas **Replacement Well**

8. AR-67-MUN-R- A 4” well to be drilled on 160 ac by Currie Drilling by 7/20/18 in the NW4 of Section 236, Block B4, H&GN Survey (being located 526 feet S and 175 feet E of intersection of Co Rd 16 and Hotel Rd approx. 1.6 mi S of Claude on Hwy 207 and 1.1 mi E) Armstrong County Texas **Replacement Well**
9. AR-68-MUN- CITY OF CLAUDE- A 4” well to be drilled on 160 ac by Currie Drilling by 7/20/18 in the SW4 of Section 207, Block B4, H&GN Survey (being located 2960 feet S and 2304 feet E of intersection of Co Rd 14 and Golf Rd approx. 1 mi S of Claude on Hwy 207 and ½ mi W) Armstrong County Texas
10. GR-790 – JOE L MAGEE- A 4” well to be drilled on 220 ac by Magic Circle by 7/15/18 in the NE4 of Section 40, Block 23, H&GN Survey (being located 1 ½ mi SE of McLean @ 14070 Co Rd BB or just nearly 1 1/6 mi S of McLean on Ranch Rd 3143 then E approx. ¾ mi to well location) Gray County Texas
In Study Area 07-4-A09 Well #1, GR-783-R 6” approved 4/12/18 did not make a well ended up being only a test hole.
11. GR-791 – JOE L MAGEE- A 4” well to be drilled on 220 ac by Magic Circle by 8/1/18 in the NE4 of Section 40, Block 23, H&GN Survey (being located 1 ½ mi SE of McLean @ 14070 Co Rd BB or just nearly 1 1/6 mi S of McLean on Ranch Rd 3143 the E approx. ¾ mi to well location) Gray County Texas
In Study Area 07-4-A09 Well #2

Bill Breeding made the motion to approve Agenda Item 12, A, 7-11, seconded by Joy Shadid, motion passed unanimously.

B. DRILLING PERMITS FOR WELLS LARGER THAN 4”

1. CA-1318-R – MARK URBANCZYK – An 8” well to be drilled on 300 ac by Hydro by 7/12/18 in the SW4 of Section 52, Block 2, TT RR Survey (being located approx. ¾ mi S of Panhandle City Limits and approx. 1/3 mi E of Hwy 207) Carson County Texas. **Replacement Well**
2. RO-232 – ROBERT W ADCOCK – An 10” well to be drilled on 960 acres by Hydro by 7/16/18 in the NW4 of Section 18, Block 2, I&GN Survey (being located approx. 7/10 mi N of Stone Rd and Turkey Track Rd intersection on E side of Turkey Track Rd) Roberts County Texas **In Study Area 11-1**

Chancy Cruse made the motion to approved Agenda Item 12, B, 1-2, seconded by Joy Shadid, motion passed unanimously.

President Hardcastle recessed the meeting at 12:21 pm

Vice-President Smith called the meeting back to order at 1:00 pm

AGENDA ITEM 13 – STAFF UPDATES

Annual Water Quality Results – as required by Management Plan 6.1A

Assistant Manager Peter Winegeart presented to the Board the annual water quality testing results as required by 6.1A of the District’s Management Plan –

A copy of the presentation attached to these minutes

Weather Modification Update

District Meteorologist Jennifer Puryear presented an update on the District's Precipitation Enhancement Program. Ms. Puryear provided demonstrations of the flight tracks and storm activity from recent events and reviewed the drought monitor and year to date rainfall data with the Board.

A copy of the presentation attached to these minutes

AGENDA ITEM 16 – MANAGERS REPORT

Manager's Report Attached – No Action Taken

AGENDA ITEM 17 – CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO SET FUTURE MEETING DATES

The next meeting date is set for Thursday September 27th at 9:00 am

AGENDA ITEM 18 – Adjourn

Jim Thompson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:36 pm. Seconded by John R Spearman, Jr., meeting adjourned


Chancy Cruse, Secretary


Darryn Hardcastle, President