



**REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES**

**Regular Meeting Minutes
November 17, 2022**

The Directors of the Colorado County Groundwater Conservation District met on November 17, 2022 at 6:30 p.m. in the District Office at 910 Milam Street, Columbus, Texas.

Directors Present: Travis Wegenhoft, Sam Parks, Ann Pavliska, Al Mahalitic, Michael Lanier
Directors Absent: None
Staff Present: Jim Brasher, Kim Ferguson
Guests: None

President Wegenhoft declared a quorum present and convened the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

OM Ferguson administered the Oath of Office to Director Al Mahalitic.

The biennial election of Officers of the Board was held. The following officers were elected unanimously for two- year terms:

President	Travis Wegenhoft ¹
Vice President	Al Mahalitic ²
Secretary	Sam Parks ³
Treasurer	Ann Pavliska ⁴

¹Motion by Director Mahalitic and seconded by Director Pavliska

²Motion by Director Parks and seconded by Director Lanier

³Motion by Director Pavliska and seconded by Director Mahalitic

⁴Motion by Director Mahalitic and seconded by Director Parks

The Board considered applications for vacant seats on the Board of Directors. Director Mahalitic moved to accept Becky Moulder's application to fill Place 6, At Large and Marv Ulbricht's application to fill seat Place 2, Precinct 2. The motion was seconded by Director Lanier and carried unanimously.

Director Pavliska moved to change regular meeting dates to the third Wednesday of each month effective January, 2023. The motion was seconded by Director Mahalitic and carried unanimously.

Budget and Tax Rate Hearing Minutes and Regular Meeting Minutes dated September 15, 2022 were reviewed and approved.

GM Brasher presented a Class B Operating permit application for James and Barbara Weishuhn. Director Parks moved to approve a three-year permit for 315.0 ac-ft. and require a meter. The motion was seconded by Director Pavliska and carried unanimously.

GM Brasher reported on several well owners who consistently submit zero annual water usage reports. GM Brasher also reported on a well owner on pace to substantially exceed his permitted amount. A letter and permit amendment application were mailed to him. As of today, no response has been received. A second request will be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested.

GM Brasher gave an update on the planned District rules amendments and geographical boundaries for creation of a management zone north of Columbus where the aquifers are more sensitive to pumping. GM Brasher will continue working with consultant, Andy Donnelly with Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, Inc., to define the area and determine expected maximum pump rates within the proposed zone.

GM Brasher provided an update on the new water quality database being implemented by Kelsey Calvez. The project should be completed by year-end. GM Brasher expects Ms. Calvez will attend a future board meeting to discuss the project and how the District might share well data on the District website.

GM Brasher reported that the public comment period for Desired Future Conditions (DFC) has lapsed and must be approved by each District within GMA 15. The DFC for CCGCD is 17 feet of drawdown of the Chicot and Evangeline Aquifers and 25 feet of drawdown of the Jasper Aquifer. Director Mahalitc approved the final DFC as presented by GM Brasher. The motion was seconded by Director Pavliska and carried unanimously.

GM Brasher presented or reported on the following matters:

- Permit Renewals and Annual Water Use Reports
- Key monitor well levels
- Region K/GMA 15
- Highland Lake levels
- Violations and ongoing investigations

GM Brasher presented the Third Quarter Investment Report.

OM Ferguson presented the October 2022 Expenditure Report. Director Lanier moved to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Director Mahalitc and carried unanimously.


GM Brasher presented proposed line-item adjustments to the 2022 Budget. Director Lanier moved to approve the adjustments. The motion was seconded by Director Mahalitc and carried unanimously.

OM Ferguson reported on a tax table error in QuickBooks that has affected Medicare and Social Security deductions. It was decided to discuss the matter with the District's auditors prior to giving further consideration to the matter.

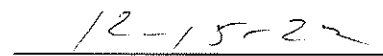
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Kim Ferguson, Office Manager

Meeting minutes approved by:



Sam Parks, Secretary



Date