



MINUTES of the REAL-EDWARDS CONSERVATION & RECLAMATION DISTRICT
2nd Quarter Regular Open Meeting
April 12, 2023
Gilmer Memorial Library, Rocksprings, Texas – 6:00 p.m.

REGULARLY SCHEDULED DISTRICT BOARD MEETING

Six (6) Board members were PRESENT resulting in met quorum: Tooter Trees, Glynn Hendley, Beatsie Rubio, Dub Suttle, Sam Epperson and Kent Dunbar. ABSENT Board member: Curry Campbell, Volney Hough, and Rudy Gonzalez.

Office staff present: Field Technician, Brian Leiker, and Consulting Manager, Joel Pigg by virtual connection.

Guests/Public present: Alyson McDonald of Collier Consulting joined the meeting virtually to discuss the proposed groundwater availability study.

1. President Tooter Trees determined MET QUORUM OF SIX BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT, therefore proceeded to CALL TO ORDER the 2nd Quarter Regular Open Meeting at 6:00 P.M.
2. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Tooter Trees.
3. Guests and the public were welcomed.
4. Consider for Approval Minutes from 1st Quarter Regular Meeting and Minutes from the Public Hearing on Operating Permit Application of Jimmie Dick Evans on January 18, 2023.

Discussion: Minutes look good.

Motion to approve Minutes from the 1st Quarter Regular Meeting and Public Hearing on January 18, 2023, by Dub Suttle / Second by Glynn Hendley

Motion Approved: 6 - 0

5. Discussion regarding District Reports:
 - a. Financial Statements and Financial Reports – presented by Joel Pigg.
 - i. Board members discussed pulling money (\$100,000) from the Peoples State Bank Money Market account and beginning a CD at TXN Bank.
Motion to use District funds in the amount of \$100,000 to begin a CD at TXN Bank was made by Beatsie Rubio / Second by Sam Epperson.
Motion Approved: 6-0
 - b. Operating Permit Renewal Report.

- i. OP William Epperson, OP Matt Fry, and OP Bonnie Baker Goodwin have completed the renewal process.
 - ii. OP City of Leakey and OP Riding River Ranch will receive their renewal notice and documents in June to be completed by the end of July 2023.
- c. FY2022 Pumping Report.
- i. All pumping reports except for Frio Canyon have been completed and verified for accuracy. Tina has contacted and continues to request FY2022 Pumping Report from Frio Canyon.
- d. Website has been renewed with GoDaddy and continues to be updated as needed.
- e. Annual Cybersecurity Awareness Training. Everyone has received an email with instructions. Contact Tina Ashley or Brian Leiker if you have problems or concerns.
- f. 2023 Texas Groundwater Summit: early registration through June 9th. Contact Brian if you are interested in attending. The district is again considering sponsoring desserts and drinks at an evening event.
- g. Well Report.
- h. Water Quality Screen Report.
- i. River Flows Report.
- j. Rainfall Record and Drought Assessment of the District. *Drought Stage 4 (as of June 2022) status remains in effect.*

6. Discussion and Possible Action regarding sponsorship of Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program.

Discussion: The District has sponsored this program in the past with a \$1,000 donation. The Board agrees we should continue to sponsor education on water issues and donate \$1,000 to the Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program.

Motion to Approve \$1000 sponsorship of the Texas 4-H Ambassadors Program by Glynn Hendley / Second by Beatsie Rubio.

Motion Approved: 6-0

7. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Draft Proposal of Groundwater Availability Study from Collier Consulting, Alyson McDonald.

Discussion: Alyson joined the Board meeting at 6:33 p.m. District would like to bring Alyson to the field to get a better overall picture of our area/District/terrain. Also discussed ways to mediate costs by using existing wells for pumping tests with permission by owners. Discussed beginning study phase in Edwards County.

Motion to continue work toward Groundwater Availability Study with Collier Consulting by Glynn Hendley / Second by Sam Epperson.

Motion Approved: 6-0

8. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Priority Groundwater Management Area Status.

Discussion: Whereas the District does not qualify under stated terms because the District already exists, due to other factors, a letter will be drafted to TCEQ requesting study for Edwards and Real counties since we are in a unique aquifer/groundwater area.

Motion to draft letter to TCEQ by Sam Epperson / Second by Tooter Trees.

Motion Approved: 6-0

9. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding FY2022 Audit Report from Neffendorff & Blocker.

No discussion/no action as audit report is not complete.

10. Discussion and Possible Action on Personnel/Budget Issues.

No Discussion/no action.

11. Set Time and Date for Next Meeting. (July 2023)

Tentative date scheduled for Wednesday, July 12, 2023.

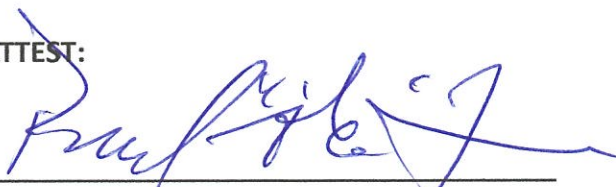
12. Adjourn at 7:17 P.M.

Motion to adjourn Meeting by Sam Epperson / Second by Kent Dunbar.

Motion Approved: 6-0

THEREFORE, ON THIS THE 26th DAY OF JULY 2023, THESE MINUTES OF 2nd QUARTER REGULAR DISTRICT MEETING HELD ON April 12, 2023, ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED.

ATTEST:



PRESIDENT, ROLAND "TOOTER" TREES



SECRETARY, PABLO "BEATSIE" RUBIO

ALTERNATE BOARD OFFICER (IF CASE OF ABSENCE OF PRESIDENT/SECRETARY):

VICE PRESIDENT, GLYNN HENDLEY