

Minutes
Wintergarden Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Meeting
July 13, 2022

The Wintergarden Groundwater Conservation District (the District) held their regular meeting on Wednesday, July 15, 2022, at the District Office, 2881 Hwy. 277 West, Carrizo Springs, Texas.


1. Secretary Chris Meyer called the meeting to order at 12:10 p.m.
2. Directors present at the start of the meeting were Secretary Meyer; Treasurer Mario Escobar; Director Martin Kruger; and Director Lott Whitwell. President Martin joined the meeting at 12:45 p.m. Staff present were General Manager Debbie Farmer and Field Technician Paula Van Cleve. Attending were WGCD legal counsel, Peter Gregg, and WGCD technical consultant, Ron Green. Visitor present was Diane Nichols with Kelly Hart.
3. There was no public comment.
4. The minutes of the June 8, 2022, meeting was reviewed. Treasurer Escobar made a motion to approve the minutes as reviewed. Director Kruger seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
5. The bills for payment and financial statements for all accounts were reviewed. Treasurer Escobar made a motion to approve the bills for payment and financial statements as reviewed. Director Whitwell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
6. General Manager Farmer presented the June 2022 Manager's Report. Secretary Meyer suggested that a flyer be created and mailed to all realtors listed in the District which will provide notice to new landowners of the need to change ownership of their water wells with the District.
7. There were no Brush Control applications to approve.
8. The District did not receive the documentation required to consider providing funds to plug a water well for Daniel Boone. Treasurer Escobar made a motion to table Agenda Item 8 until the next Board meeting. Director Kruger seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
9. Proposed amendments to the FY2021-22 District Budget were reviewed. Treasurer Escobar made a motion to approve the amended budget as proposed and to correct, as needed, the Overall Surplus/Deficit. Director Kruger seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
10. To allow President Bill Martin to be present, Agenda Item 10 was tabled for later in the meeting.
11. To allow President Martin to be present, Agenda Item 11 was tabled for later in the meeting.
12. The criteria for the District's Brush Control program were discussed. Secretary Meyer made a motion to suspend the current FY2021-22 Brush Control Program. Treasurer Escobar seconded the motion. Peter Gregg informed the Board that the District's Management Plan includes a Management Objective: Addressing Brush Control. The Management Plan would need to be amended prior to the actual suspension of the program. Secretary Meyer rescinded his motion and Treasurer Escobar rescinded his second to the motion. Further review of the criteria is to be made, and the program would be further discussed at the next Board meeting.


President Martin joined the meeting at 12:45 p.m.

Agenda Item 10. Peter Gregg reviewed with the Board a proposed resolution for GMA 13 regarding LRE Water, LLC. Secretary Meyer made a motion to not move forward with placing the resolution on the GMA 13 agenda. Treasurer Escobar seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

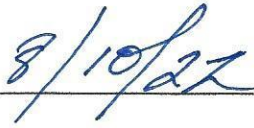
Agenda Item 11. Developing a District Drought Contingency Plan was discussed. To allow review

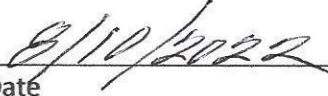
- of municipality drought plans within the District, this agenda item was tabled until the next meeting.
13. Secretary Meyer made a motion for General Manager Farmer and Technical Consultant Green to attend meetings of city councils within the District to present information on the Carrizo Aquifer. Director Whitwell seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
 14. Secretary Meyer discussed the need to update the District's audio and video meeting capabilities. He will research costs to be reviewed at the next meeting.
 15. General Manager Farmer discussed possible upgrades to the District's well monitoring program. Rain gauges or computer software needs to be purchased to expand the rainfall reporting for the District. Efforts to locate water wells that are candidates for the WellIntel monitoring systems continue. Director Kruger suggested that we incorporate the cities' monitoring wells in our network.
 16. There was no other business.
 17. Secretary Meyer made a motion to adjourn. Director Whitwell seconded the motion. President Martin adjourned the meeting at 2:23 p.m.



Bill Martin, President (Vice)
J.R. Ramirez


Chris Meyer, Secretary



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