

Minutes

Wintergarden Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors Meeting April 8, 2026

The Wintergarden Groundwater Conservation District (the "District") Board of Directors held a meeting on Wednesday, April 8, 2026, at 12:00 p.m. at the District Office, 2881 Hwy. 277, Carrizo Springs, Texas.

1. President Bill Martin called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.
2. Directors present were President Martin; Vice-President J. R. Ramirez; Secretary Chris Meyer; Director Martin Kruger; Director Travis Evins; and Director Von Box. Staff present were General Manager Debbie Farmer and Field Technician Paula VanCleve. Ron Green, Technical Consultant for the District, was present. Visitors present were Corky Weeks; Neal Llewellyn, 4L Oilfield Service; Diana Nichols with Kelly Hart; Eric Seeger and Alyssa Balzen with Legacy Groundwater; Mike Keester with KT Groundwater; Jordan Furnans with Spheros Environmental and Legacy Water Supply Corporation; Don Farmer; Beverly and Gary Box; Rachel Means; Stuart Stothoff with Southwest Research Institute; Kaeloui and Peter Perez; The Honorable Martha Ponce of Dimmit County; Julissa Alvarado; Mario Ruiz, City Manager, City of Carrizo Springs; and David Earl with Earl & Associates.
3. Public Comment: None at this time
4. The Minutes of the March 11, 2026, meeting were reviewed. Director Evins made a motion to approve the minutes as reviewed. Director Kruger seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
5. The financial statements and bills for payment for all accounts for the month of March 2026 were reviewed. Vice-President Ramirez made a motion to approve the financial statements and bills for payment. Secretary Meyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
6. GM Farmer presented the March 2026 Manager's Report.
7. Mike Keester with KT Groundwater presented a power-point on Professional Services to Groundwater Management Hydrogeology. NOTE: Technical Consultant Green and Stuart Stothoff left the meeting during the presentation.
8. An updated Interlocal Cooperation Agreement between the District and Zavala County Clerk/Election Administrator for the May 2, 2026 General Election was reviewed. A brief discussion was held regarding polling places in Zavala County. Director Evins made a motion to approve the agreement. Director Box seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
9. Quotes were reviewed to plug a deteriorated water well owned by August and Mary Linnartz of Dimmit County (RE: Production Permit PD00692.) Director Evins made a motion to approve the Bull's Eye Services quote in the amount of \$15,700.21. Secretary Meyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Director Box suggested the District create a policy regarding the Water Well Plugging Program of the District.

10. The renewal of the Directors and Officers Insurance was discussed. The annual renewal cost of \$1680 by Lentz Gann Insurance, the current policy provider to the District, and a quote from Kinsale Insurance Company in the amount of \$2868 were reviewed. Vice-President Ramirez made a motion to approve the annual renewal with Lentz Gann Insurance. Director Evins seconded the motion and the motion passed with Director Box abstaining.
11. Director Box noted to the Board that one attorney would require a Response for Qualifications (RFQ) to provide a quote to prepare a Code of Ethics. Others would prefer providing a quote on a Code of Ethics and a Policy on Hiring Third Party Professionals according to Texas Water Code 36.061 (4) requirements. Vice-President Ramirez made a motion to table the agenda item, and Director Evins seconded the motion. Motion passed unanimously. GM Farmer was directed to contact Peter Gregg, legal counsel for the District, regarding this requirement.
12. Proposed changes to rules 6.5 (a & b) and 9.7 were reviewed. Director Evins made a motion to propose rule changes as discussed. Director Kruger seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Proposed changes will be considered in a public hearing on May 13, 2026.
13. Jordan Furnans, representative for Legacy Water Supply Corporation, presented a Powerpoint on their request for 50,409 ac-ft per year pumping from Webb County as part of the GMA-13 Joint Planning Process to provide inclusion into the Explanatory Report. He requested Webb County receive the 6,380 ac-ft/year of historical production and an additional 30,000 ac-ft or 50,000 ac-ft/year of production.
16. Dr. Ron Green requested Agenda Items 14 and 15 be moved after Agenda Item 16. Dr. Green presented a Powerpoint on selecting a proposed Desired Future Condition for the District. Director Evins made a motion to accept the number the GMA-13 model produces using the requested 1.4 factor for a District-wide Desired Future Condition (RE: Dr. Bill Hutchison's GMA-13 Scenario 26.7, Tables 3 and 4 Summary of Results, Average Drawdown All). Director Box seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
14. To clarify the 20,000 acre-feet per year pumping proposal for Webb County that is to be included in the GAM Run Model for GMA-13 as proposed by the District in the March 11, 2026, Board of Directors Meeting, Director Evins made a motion that the proposed amount was to be 20,000 acre-feet per year on top of the 6,380 acre-feet per year of historical pumping with the total being 26,380 acre-feet per year. Secretary Meyer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.
15. Director Evins made a motion to authorize GM Farmer to convey the pumping proposal(s) to GMA-13.
16. Director Box made a motion to adjourn. Director Evins seconded the motion. President Martin adjourned the meeting at 3:15 p.m.

Van R. Box
 President

5/13/26
 Date

E. W. Fitchett
 Secretary

5/13/26
 Date

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Sign-in Sheet

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Name	Company/Title	Mailing Address
Debbie Farmer	GM/WGCD	
Paula VanCleve	Field Technician/WGCD	
JR Ramirez	Director	
Diana Nichols	Kelly Hart	
Cady Webb		
Eric Seeger	Legacy GW	
Mike Keester	KT Groundwater	
Martin Kueper	DIRECTOR	
Jordan Furnans	Spheros Env./Legacy WGL	

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Name	Company/Title	Mailing Address
STUART STOUTOFF	SWRS	
Karloui Perez	Carrizo WTS	
Peter Perez III	Carrizo Water Tree	
Neal Goodfellow	4L	
MARtha PONCE	Dinnit County Judge	
Julissa Alvarez		
Maurice Ryz	Carrizo Springs City Mayor	
Dana Ewell	ETA	

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Name	Company/Title	Mailing Address
BILL MARTIN		
Alyssa Balzen	KT Groundwater	
Christopher R. Wynn	Director LASALLE	
Dan Farmer	P	
Travis Ellis	Director Summit	
Beverly Box	Jx Park	
Amy Bopp	UX Ranch	
Van Box	ZAVALE Director	
Rachel Means	Rancher	
Ron Green	consultant	

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Name	Mailing Address	Topic for Comment
Ron Green		Item 14
Alyssa Balzer	WV Groundwater	
David EARL	10007 Warden Rd	#14
Diana Nichols		#16