

Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District Meeting
2180 N. Main Street
Central Texas Council of Governments
Belton, Texas
Tuesday, December 13, 2011
Minutes

The Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (CUWCD) held a board meeting on Tuesday, December 13, 2011 in the Central Texas Council of Governments (CTCOG) Building, located at 2180 N. Main Street, Belton, Texas.

Board Members Present:

Leland Gersbach, President
Wallace Biskup, Vice President
Judy Parker, Secretary
Bill Bartlett, Director
David Cole, Director At-Large

Public Advisory Committee Members:

Bill Schumann
Tom Madden
Henry Bunke
Bradley Ware

Staff Present:

Dirk Aaron
Shelly Chapman

Others Present:

Randy Williams – Bar W
Tommy Frei – Oenaville-Belfalls WSC
Geoff West – Temple Daily Telegram

Workshop Convened at 1:30 pm

Item 1. *Review and discuss the construction progress and items of interest concerning the new office building:*

No discussion or action taken at this time.

Item 2. *Discuss the possibility of amending the current drought contingency plans for Clearwater UWCD:*

No discussion or action taken at this time

Item 3. *Discuss the Salado Salamander Listing and its potential impact on Salado and Bell County:*

No discussion or action taken at this time.

Clearwater Board meeting was convened with Board President, Leland Gersbach, calling the meeting to order at 1:31p.m.

1. *Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:*

Vice President, Wallace Biskup, gave the invocation and Director, Bill Bartlett, led the “Pledge of Allegiance”.

2. *Public Comments:*

None

3. *Approve Minutes of the November 8, 2011 Workshop and Board Meeting:*

Vice President, Wallace Biskup, motioned the minutes be accepted as they stand. Motion seconded by At-Large Director, David Cole. **Motion carried 5-0.**

4. Hold public hearing on the following permit application:

Discuss, consider and take appropriate action if necessary on the Major Amendment to the Operating Permit for Oenaville-Belfalls Water Supply Corporation to authorize an additional withdrawal of 12.09 acre-feet per year for public water supply.

Leland Gersbach, President, opened and conducted the public hearing at 1:35 pm.

Board President followed the public hearing script and informed all present of the process, criteria required in the District rules, order of discussion and testimony of the GM and District Hydrogeologist. Board President administered oath to the individuals speaking on this application: Dirk Aaron - District GM, Randy Williams – District Hydrogeologist, and Tommy Frei – O&B Water Supply Corporation representative.

Dirk Aaron, explained the 12 Criteria were satisfied in the preview process.

Randy Williams discussed the impact on the Aquifer and said it would not be a significant amount.

Hearing was closed at 1:47 p.m.

Director Judy Parker moved to accept the proposed amendment to O&B's operating permit as submitted, Director At-Large David Cole seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

5. Discuss, consider and take appropriate action if necessary on ordering and providing the Clearwater school book covers to participating School Districts in Bell County:

The Walraven Book Cover order is due soon and Shelly Chapman, Administrative Assistant for Clearwater UWCD, contacted the participating schools in this program to verify usage of the book covers. Many of the schools no longer use or require book covers. The original order was for 2 choices of book covers with a total of 35,000 book covers to be distributed at a cost of \$5,968.75. Clearwater UWCD would like to reduce the order to 1 choice and reduce the quantity to 20,000 (based on phone survey conducted by Shelly) at a cost savings of \$2,538.75. The Staff would like to recommend the book covers be delivered to the District for distribution by Staff and/or Board Members.

Director Bill Bartlett moved to accept the changes to the Walraven Book Cover order as presented. Vice-President Wallace Biskup seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0**

Board President, Leland Gersbach, convened to Executive Session at 2:04 p.m., for the purpose of discussion with the District's Attorney, Kristen Fancher (Lloyd-Gosselink Attorneys at Law) on agenda items 6 and 7. The Executive Session ended at 2:49 p.m.

Board President reconvened the Board Meeting at 2:50 p.m.

6. Discuss, consider and take appropriate action if necessary on amending the current drought contingency plan and the development of guiding principles of the development process.

No action taken at this time.

7. Discuss, consider and take appropriate action if necessary Salado Salamander issue per U.S. Fish and Wildlife proposed listing.

No action taken at this time.

8. Discuss, consider and take appropriate action if necessary on the budget amendment items for the end of FY2011.

Dirk Aaron requested a line item transfer of available funds to compensate for over-expenditures in the Professional/Technical Consulting line item. There is currently an over-expenditure of \$8,702.32 in this line item. Clearwater UWCD shows available funds of \$7,882.80 in the Clearwater Studies line item and \$4,281.63 in the Special Programs line item. Dirk Aaron recommended moving these available funds as necessary to the Professional/Technical Consulting line item to compensate for the over expenditure. He stated, if the line item transfer is approved, Clearwater UWCD will not be exceeding the overall budget for FY2011. The program will still come in under budget by \$74,297.00. President Leland Gersbach moved to approve the line item transfer as presented. Secretary Judy Parker seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

Vice President Wallace Biskup pointed out an additional line item to be amended as well. The Communications line item has an over-expenditure of \$682.94. Wallace Biskup moved to amend the original motion to include the transfer of available funds to compensate for the additional line item as well. Secretary Judy Parker seconded the amended motion. **Amended motion carried 5-0.**

9. Receive monthly report and possible consideration and Board action on the following:

a) District financial status report

Dirk Aaron presented the financial reports.

b) Monitoring wells

Shelly Chapman presented the measurements of the monitor wells.

c) Salado Creek stream flow gauges

Karl Hamson not available to present information. No discussion on this item.

d) Rainfall/drought conditions

Shelly Chapman presented the Rainfall map for Oct, Nov, and YTD Jan-Nov

e) Well Registrations

Shelly Chapman presented report of 6 new wells registered and 2 wells grandfathered.

f) Non-Exempt Well Production

Dirk Aaron presented report based on Well Production spreadsheet

10. Manager's Report and Staff comments:

a) Water Symposium - Dirk Aaron reported that the 11th Annual Water Symposium was a success. There were 135 in attendance. The event was well received. Dirk sent out a survey via Survey Monkey to all registered attendees that provided us an e-

mail address. 83 e-mails were delivered. Results were positive. No negative feedback received. Expenses for the event totaled \$2,899.98. We received individual donation of \$500 from the following: Bell County, AECOM, Lloyd Gosselink Attorneys at Law, and BarW Groundwater Exploration totaling \$2,000. This makes the District's final cost share \$899.98.

b) Building Update – Dirk informed the Board that the building is progressing. Wires for data points, phones, etc. have been pulled, sheet rock work is going on, brick work ready to start (pending weather) and trim and awning selections have been made. Also, 2 draws have been made and a payment to the Construction Manager has been paid for 2 inspections.

11. Public Advisory Committee Comments:

None at this time

12. Director Comments and Reports:

President Leland Gersbach thanked Judy Parker for her participation and involvement in GMA8. Judy is the new Region G Representative and voting delegate.

Secretary Judy Parker mentioned that GMA8 is taking a look at the Woodbine Trinity Aquifer Groundwater Availability Model (GAM) and has requested proposals for the project. They will be needing support with this project. She mentioned that this is probably not a cost we want to put a lot into, but suggested we take a look at possibly some type of support in the event that we are ever in need. She indicated the Board will need to decide what type of support can be provided for studies and research when it doesn't affect Bell County.

13. Discuss agenda items for next meeting

Template of policy/procedure & budget cost codes

Discuss GMA8 budget needs and support

Discuss amending the Drought Contingency Plan

Discuss any applications for operating permits that may come in

14. Set time and place of next meeting.

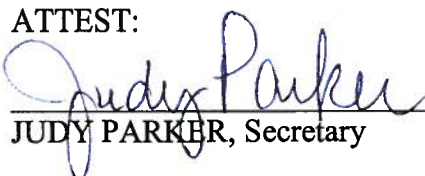
Next meeting is set as January 10, 2012 at 1:30 p.m. at the CTCOG in Belton.

15. Adjourn

Meeting adjourned at 4:10 p.m.


Leland Gersbach, President

ATTEST:


JUDY PARKER, Secretary

(A compact disc of this meeting is available upon request.)