

Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District Meeting
700 Kennedy Court
Belton, Texas
Thursday, December 10, 2014
Minutes

The Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (CUWCD) held a board meeting on Thursday, December 10, 2014 at 1:30 p.m. at the Clearwater UWCD Building, located at 700 Kennedy Court, Belton, Texas.

Board Members Present:

Leland Gersbach, President
Wallace Biskup, Vice President
Judy Parker, Secretary
David Cole, Director
Garv Young, Director

Public Advisory Committee:

Bill Schumann
Henry Bunke
Bradley Ware

Staff:

Dirk Aaron
Shelly Chapman

Guests:

Mike Gershon – Lloyd Gosselink
Jim Tucker-Baylor Univ
Eric Seiger

Meghan Roussel-USGS
Joe Yelderman-Baylor Univ
Richard Coleman

Marylynn Musgrove-USGS
Stephanie Wong-Baylor Univ

Workshop convened with President, Leland Gersbach, at 1:30p.m.

Workshop #1. Discuss current scientific investigation of the Edward BFZ by Baylor University in 2014/2015.

Stephanie Wong (Baylor University) gave an update of the ongoing scientific investigation of the Edward BFZ by Baylor University. She covered the objectives, results, and what lies ahead.

Workshop #2. Discuss proposed scientific investigation of the Karst Aquifer by Baylor University.

Dr. Yelderman informed the Board that another student, Corey Taylor, will be working with Stephanie on the investigation of the Karst Aquifer project. This will be a Senior Thesis for Corey. Dr. Yelderman presented the purpose of the study that will be done. This will be in conjunction with the work that Stephanie Wong is doing and will be a non-funded project. CUWCD approval will be necessary in January 2015.

Workshop #3. Discuss proposed scientific investigation of the Hensell Layer of the Trinity Aquifer by Baylor University.

Jim Tucker (Baylor University) gave a presentation and proposal of the investigation he will be doing on the Hensell Layer of the Trinity Aquifer. He is a graduate student at Baylor. He will be conducting a hydrogeologic assessment of the Hensell formation. Request to fund this project will be presented to CUWCD at the January 2015 Board Meeting.

Workshop #4. Discuss current scientific investigation of the Edwards BFZ by USGS in 2014.

Marylynn Musgrove (USGS) presented an update on the USGS investigation of the Edwards BFZ.

Workshop closed and Board Meeting convened with President, Leland Gersbach at 3:03 p.m.

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:

Vice President, Wallace Biskup, gave the invocation.
Secretary, Judy Parker, lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public Comments:

None

3. Approve minutes of the November 20, 2014 Board Meeting and Workshop.

Vice President, Wallace Biskup, moved to approve the Minutes of the Nov 20, 2014 Board Meeting and Workshop. Director, Gary Young, seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

4. ***Discuss, consider and take action if necessary to accept the monthly financial report for November 2014 as presented.***

Director, David Cole, moved to accept the monthly financial report for November 2014 as presented. Secretary, Judy Parker, seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

5. ***Discuss, consider and take action if necessary to accept the monthly Investment Fund account report as presented.***

Secretary, Judy Parker, moved to accept the monthly investment fund account as presented. Director, Gary Young seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

6. ***Discuss, consider and take action if necessary to approve the FY15 line item budget amendments as requested.***

Dirk Aaron presented the request for line item transfers to amend the FY15 budget. Dirk explained that the first two transfer requests were within account 54100-Insurance and would be a simple transfer between subcategories to cover the increase in Liability insurance. Dirk suggested transferring \$200 from 54103(Surety Bonds) and \$193 from 54102(Property). Leland Gersbach pointed out that these transfers would still leave us a little short and suggested a transfer of \$194 from 54102.

The next line item transfer is for 53130.4-General Consulting/Investigations. Dirk would like to transfer \$1,500 from the Contingency Fund to this line item. The line item is currently over by \$436.42 and the transfer of \$1,500 would leave a balance of \$1,063.58 for additional investigations in FY15.

Secretary, Judy Parker, moved to approve the line item transfers with changes as discussed. Vice President, Wallace Biskup, seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

7. ***Discuss, consider and take action if necessary to approve drilling permit extension for Central Texas Water Supply Corporation on the proposed well #N2-14-004P and well #N2-005P.***

Dirk explained that the current drilling permit expires on January 7, 2015. Thornhill Group submitted a formal request for the extension on December 5, 2014. The request stated that bids for drilling the Doc Cub Well are due on Dec. 10th and bids for the System Split Well will be going out soon.

Vice President, Wallace Biskup, moved to approve the drilling permit extension as requested. Director, Gary Young, seconded the motion. **Motion Carried 4-0** (Director, David Cole, recused himself from the vote).

8. ***General Manager's report concerning office management and staffing related to District Management Plan.***

* Next month we will have action items on the presentations by Baylor and USGS.

* There is an inquiry about amending the State Water Plan. Judy will give an update on this in the Director Comments.

* Met with city of Temple to discuss ASR. LBG Guyton will talk with them about doing a feasibility study.

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

a. Salado Creek stream flow gauges

b. Education Outreach Update

c. Monitoring wells

d. Rainfall/Drought Conditions

e. Well registration

f. Non-exempt Monthly well production

(Copies of the Monthly Staff Reports were given to the Board Members to review. No action required. Informational items only.)

10. ***Public Advisory Committee comments.***³

None

11. Director comments³

Judy Parker informed the Board that the City of MPR and the city of Troy have approached region g for a waiver of their current water plan so they can get some Swift funds to drill new wells. This is all just in the planning stages right now. The Waiver is an administrative thing that has to be done before they can even begin the process.

Judy discussed GAM runs and the way they are being done.

12. Discuss agenda items for next meeting.

Possible discussion on ASR in Workshop
Action on Baylor Presentation
Action on USGS Presentation
Potential date change for July meeting
Legislative issues and budget item

13. Set time and place of next meeting.

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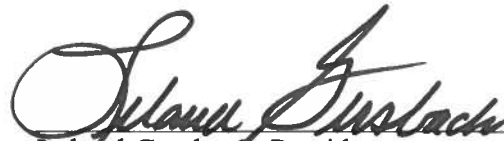
14. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned and Workshop reconvened by President, Leland Gersbach at 3:40 p.m.

Workshop#5. Discuss potential Groundwater Legislation in the Upcoming 84th Session.

Dirk gave an update on upcoming Legislation in the 84th Legislative Session. Discussion of the issues and process was conducted. Dirk informed the Board that Tye Embry, of Lloyd Gosselink, represented the District in the TWCA process. Mike Gershon also discussed the process and cost of having someone represent the District on some of the Bills and issues coming up. The District needs a voice. Tye Embry gave Dirk a summary of the proposed strategies for participating in the process. The goal is to come up with a figure that works for the District. Tye and Mike are trying to get the other Districts involved in the process. Mike stated that the District is going to want someone there to be a monitor. Leland may have an informed recommendation or multiple alternatives for the Board at the next meeting. Dirk stated that the District is going to have to look at what money is in the budget and where are we going to find the money to participate.

Workshop concluded by President, Leland Gersbach at 4:36 p.m.


Leland Gersbach, President

ATTEST:


JUDY PARKER, Secretary

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