

Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District Meeting
700 Kennedy Court
Belton, Texas
Thursday, March 11, 2015
Minutes

The Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (CUWCD) held a board meeting on Thursday, March 11, 2015 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
Gary Young, Director

Public Advisory Committee:

None

Staff:

Dirk Aaron
Shelly Chapman

Guests: None

Board Meeting convened with President, Leland Gersbach, at 1:31p.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 February 18, 2015 Board Meeting and Workshop.

Shelly Chapman pointed out there was an incorrect date of on the first line of the minutes sent out in the Board packet. The date has been changed from Jan 14th to Feb 18th.

Vice President, Wallace Biskup, moved to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2015 Board Meeting with corrections as noted. 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 February 2015 as presented.

Director, David Cole, moved to accept the monthly financial report for February 2015 as presented. Vice President, Wallace Biskup, 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.

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

6. Discuss, consider and take action if necessary to accept the Quarterly Deferred Compensation Employee Retirement Program account report as presented.

Vice President, Wallace Biskup, moved to accept the Quarterly Deferred Compensation Employee Retirement Program account as presented. Secretary, Judy Parker, seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

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

Dirk informed the Board that there were no line item budget amendments requested at this time. President, Leland Gersbach, commented that no action would be needed on this agenda item.

8. Discuss, consider and take action if necessary by resolution to appoint the District Voting Delegate and Alternate Delegate to the GMA8 Board of Directors for Joint Planning.

The District was notified by GMA8 that a resolution is required to be on file stating that Judy Parker is designated as the District's voting delegate and Dirk Aaron is the alternate delegate to GMA8. The resolution also gives Judy Parker the authority to make decisions on the District's behalf relative to Joint Planning. These delegates were approved at an earlier meeting, but a resolution was never submitted. The District is obligated to submit a resolution prior to the upcoming meeting on March 25th.

Director, David Cole, moved to approve the resolution appointing Judy Parker as primary delegate to GMA8 and Dirk Aaron as alternate. Director, Gary Young, seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

9. Discuss, consider and take action if necessary to accept the 2014 Annual Report as presented.

Dirk gave the Board a draft of the annual report to be reviewed. He also sent e-mails to the Board letting them know that any changes or corrections needed to be submitted prior to this meeting. No corrections were submitted. Dirk informed the Board that he found a mathematical mistake on page 20. The actual amount of production in the Hosston Aquifer was off but has been corrected. Once the Report is accepted, Dirk will post it on the website and distribute as required.

Vice President, Wallace Biskup, moved to accept the 2014 Annual Report as presented. Director, David Cole, seconded the motion. Director, David Cole, commented that there is a lot of time doing the report and he complimented the staff on a good job putting it all together. **Motion carried 5-0.**

10. Discuss, consider and take action if necessary on the request to extend the current Drilling Permit for Dean Mikeska Farms in the alluvial formation.

Dean Mikeska submitted a request on February 1, 2015 requesting another 120 day extension on his drilling permit. The area where the test holes are being drilled are inside his cropping area. Once the crops are back in the ground, entering that area would destroy too much of the crop. Mr. Mikeska indicated to Dirk that if he didn't find enough water with the next round of test holes, he will forego drilling a well. If the extension is granted, the expiration date will be moved to June 4, 2015.

Secretary, Judy Parker, moved to grant the 120 day extension of the drilling permit for Dean Mikeska. Director, David Cole, seconded the motion. **Motion carried 5-0.**

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

Dirk commented that he didn't have much to report at this time. He did remind the Board that he would be out March 17-19 helping kids at the Livestock Show in Houston. The District will be ordering equipment for the next 2 monitor wells to be set up with Blake and TWDB.

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

- a. Drought Status Report and/or Aquifer Status Report**
- b. Education Outreach Update**
- c. Monitoring wells**
- d. Rainfall Report**
- 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. Dirk briefly discussed each item with the Board.)

13. Public Advisory Committee comments.³

None

14. Director comments³

Judy Parker – Judy attended Region G last week. Nothing new came out of the meeting. They are currently in RFQ process with Region G for a new consulting firm. Judy is on the “Scope of Work” committee for Region G. The committee will make recommendations to the Board.

Gary Young – Gary was asked by Congressman Carter’s office to serve on the U.S. Congressional Veterans Accommodation Committee. This Committee will be looking for Veterans that have been instrumental part of the community. They will be honored for their contributions to the Military as well as the community.

Leland Gersbach – Leland asked to convene to Executive Session to consult with the District’s legal counsel.

Board convened to Executive Session at 2:16 to consult with Attorney, Mike Gershon.

Board meeting reconvened with President Leland gersbach at 3:16

Leland commented that the Board convened to Executive Session for discussion with the District’s attorney, Mike Gershon. Nothing was agreed upon and no action taken during Executive Session.

15. Discuss agenda items for next meeting.

McLane Group Drilling Permit
Standard Practices
Legislative updates

16. Set time and place of next meeting.

April 8, 2015, 1:30 p.m.

17. Adjourn.

Meeting adjourned by President, Leland Gersbach at 3:18 p.m.

Workshop convened at 3:27

Workshop item #1. Discuss Ground water related issues and concerns per the 84th Legislative session

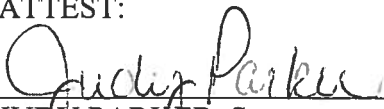
Dirk gave the Board a packet with an e-mail from Ty Embry with a Legislative summary and bill tracking report. Friday, March 13th is the last day that any bill can be filed. Dirk recapped some of the major bills that would be applicable to the District. The bills that were approved by TWCA Board and Groundwater Stakeholders have all been filed and put in place. There have been quite a few other bills filed that address GCDs and Chapter 36 that are included in the packet that Dirk gave the Board. Dirk recapped several of the bills and his thoughts and concerns on those bills.

Workshop item #2. Discuss the upcoming GMA8 RFQ selection process scheduled for March 25th.

This item was discussed under the Director’s comments by Judy Parker. Dirk informed the board that he will be meeting with the Southern GCDs to review the RFQs.


Leland Gersbach, President

ATTEST:


JUDY PARKER, Secretary

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