MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE GOVERNING BOARD FOR THE KINNEY COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Wednesday, June 12, 2024 MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to order.

Meeting was called to order at 6:01 p.m. by President Matt Bland.

2. Establish a quorum.

A quorum was established with all directors present: Charlie Gaines, Blake Ward, Matt Bland, Randy Schott, Richard Barthels, Stan Conoly, and BJ Eckenrod.

Staff present: Genell Hobbs, Bonnie Brotherton, and Martina Payne.

Jim Burton and Carlos Carreon, district engineers, were in attendance along with a number of observers.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bland.

4. Presentation of Scholarships.

Matt Bland presented Marques Hernandez with a certificate and check and BJ Eckenrod presented a certificate and scholarship money to Gentry Caldwell. The other Scholarship recipients could not be in attendance.

5. Public Comments.

Several observers addressed the board.

6. Approve minutes from May 2024 regular meeting.

Minutes for May regular meeting approved as presented.

Motion:

Charlie Gaines

2nd.

Richard Barthels

Vote: 7-0

7. Discussion/Possible Action: Financial Statements for May 2024.

Motion to adopt: Charlie Gaines 2nd.: Stan Conoly Vote: 7-0

- 8. Review of Monthly Investment Officer's Report.
- 9. Discussion/Possible Action: Invoices Received and Invoices Paid for May 2024. Motion to approve as presented: BJ Eckenrod 2nd: Stan Conoly Vote: 7-0
- 10. Review TWDB Drought Index and other monitoring sites.
- 11. Discussion/Possible Action: Agreement for Legislative representation. Tabled until next meeting.
- 12. Discussion/Possible Action: Appoint Martina Payne as GCD representative to

Region J group.

Motion to appoint: Blake Ward 2nd.: Stan Conoly Vote: 7-0

- 13. Discussion/Possible Action: Drought management plan and other rule changes. No motion made.
- 14. General Manager's Report.

G. Hobbs stated the district had received 1 exempt well application since last board meeting and 4 since January. Region J will meet in August. Also informed the directors that insurance would be going up by 2.9 percent.

Recess and go into executive session under the authority of the Government code, Chapter 551, Texas Open Meetings Act; Personnel Matters (551.074). 7:01 p.m.

- A. Personnel
- B. Potential Litigation

Meeting called back into regular session. 8:13 p.m.

- 15. Discussion/Possible Action: Matters deliberated during closed session. No action taken.
- 16. Discussion-Future Agenda Items. Report from Dr. Hutchison.
- 17. Adjourn. 8:39 p.m.

APPROVED:

Matt Bland, President

Date: 7-10-24

ATTEST:

Richard Barthels, Secretary

Date: 7-10-24