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

## March 9, 2023 MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to order.

Meeting was called to order at 9:02 a.m.

2. Establish a quorum.

A quorum was established with 6 Directors present: B.J. Eckenrod, Matt Bland, Randy Schott, Charlie Gaines, and Richard Barthels. Stan Conoly entered the meeting at 9:54 a.m.

Absent: Blake Ward

Staff present: Genell Hobbs and Bonnie Brotherton. Also present were Jim Burton, Carlos Carron, and several observers.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

Pledge of Allegiance was led by B. J. Eckenrod..

4. Director/Public Comments.

Will Conoly spoke about the meeting he organized that met Wednesday evening. He stated they will be meeting monthly prior to the KCGCD monthly meeting.

5. Discussion/Possible Action: Approval of minutes from the regular board meeting on February 9, 2023.

Minutes were approved as presented.

Motion: Matt Bland

2<sup>nd</sup>. Richard Barthels

Vote: 6-0

6. Discussion/Possible Action: Financial statement for February 2023.

Financials approved as presented.

Motion Matt Bland

2<sup>nd</sup>: Charlie Gaines

Vote: 6-0

- 7. Review Investment Officer's Report for February 2023.
- 8. Discussion/ Possible action on invoices received and invoices paid.

Invoices received were approved for payment.

Motion: Matt Bland

2<sup>nd</sup>: Richard Barthels

Vote: 6-0

- 9. Review Palmer Drought Index, TWDB monitor well, USGS streamflow, City of Brackettville water data, and MUD well data.
- 10. Discussion/Possible Action: Scholarship Program
  Stan Conoly made a motion to approve up to \$10,500 for scholarships and change the

Question to "How does a groundwater district manage and protect the groundwater resources for the landowner and all other water users?"

2<sup>nd</sup>: Charlie Gaines Vote: 6-0

11. Discussion/Possible action: Alternate Investment Officer.

A motion was made to add an alternate Investment officer.

Motion: Richard Barthels 2<sup>nd</sup>: Stan Conoly Vote: 6-0

Charlie Gaines volunteered to take the position.

- Discussion/Possible action: Authorize transfer of funds from Well Log Account to Money Market Account.
   Tabled until April Board Meeting.
- Discussion/Possible Action: Authorization to move money from Money Market Account to Texpool.
   Charlie Gaines made a motion to transfer money from Money Market to Texpool.
   2<sup>nd</sup>. Stan Conoly
   Vote: 6-0
- 14. General Manager's report on daily activities, meetings attended, and upcoming events. G. Hobbs stated there was 1 application for an exempt well since the last board meeting. GMA 10 meeting on March 1<sup>st</sup> was a discussion of Groundwater Management Area 10 request for Qualifications for the 4<sup>th</sup> planning cycle. The next meeting is tentatively set for May 10<sup>th</sup>. Region J has their next meeting on April 20<sup>th</sup> and the next TAGD meeting is June 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> in Pflugerville.
- Board recessed at 10:52 a.m. to go into executive session under the authority of the Government Code Chapter 551, Texas Open Meetings Act; Personnel Matters (§551.074) (§551.072)
- 16. Meeting was called back into regular session at 12:31.
- 17. Consider/Possible Action: Matters deliberated in executive session.

  Barthels made a motion to give the employees a 3% increase retroactive to January and give each a \$500.00 bonus. 2<sup>nd</sup>. Conoly Vote: 6-0
- Adjourn.
   Meeting was adjourned at 12:39.
   Motion: Stan Conoly 2<sup>nd</sup>: Richard Barthels

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B.J. Eckenrod, President

Date: 14-14-2023

Richard Barthels, Secretary

Date: 6-14-2023