

Public Hearing Notice

The Kinney County Groundwater District will hold a Public Rulemaking Hearing on Thursday, October 13, 2022 at 9:00 a.m. in the District Office at 503 South Ann Street, Brackettville, Texas.

This will be to amend the District Rules to add Rule 1.06-“Procedure, Conduct and Decorum at meetings of the Board of Directors”.

A copy of the Rules and Proposed Amendment are available at the District Office or website: kinneycountygcd.org.

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COUNTY & DISTRICT CLERK, KINNEY CO.

The Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District rules are amended by adding Rule 1.06 to read as follows:

1.06 Procedure, Conduct, and Decorum at Meetings of the Board of Directors

- A. All Regular, Special, and Emergency Board Meetings will be called and conducted in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.
- B. Regular, Special, and Emergency Board Meetings are open to the public and to representatives of the press and media. Closed Board meetings (“Executive Sessions”) are not open to the public or the press, and only those individuals expressly requested or ordered to be present are allowed to attend Executive Sessions.
- C. Public participation at Board meetings is limited to that of observers unless the Board requests that a member of the public address the Board or unless the person who wishes to address the Board submits a completed Public Participation Form prior to the beginning of the meeting. The Public Participation Form must list each agenda item the person wishes to address or any item the person would like the Board to consider adding to a future agenda. Public comment will occur at the beginning of the meeting prior to consideration of any other agenda item. A sample of the Public Participation Form is attached hereto.
- (1) The Presiding Officer of the meeting may limit the total amount of time each member of the public has to address the Board. The time limit, if any, must be announced at the beginning of the meeting.
- (2) Offensive, insulting, or threatening language directed toward any person or racial, ethnic, or gender slurs or epithets will not be tolerated during public comments. These Rules do not prohibit public criticism of the District, including criticism of any act, omission, policy, procedure, program, or service. Violation of these rules may result in the following sanctions:
- (a) cancellation of a speaker's remaining time;
- (b) removal from the Board meeting;
- (c) such other civil or criminal sanctions as may be authorized under the Constitution, Statutes, and Codes of the State of Texas.
- E. From time to time, the Board of Directors may conduct public hearings. These rules of procedure, conduct, and decorum shall also apply to public hearings.