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

Wednesday, August 14, 2024 **MEETING MINUTES**

1. Call to order.

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by President Matt Bland.

2. Establish a quorum.

> A quorum was established with 6 Directors present: Charlie Gaines, BJ Eckenrod, Matt Bland, Randy Schott, Richard Barthels, and Stan Conoly.

Absent: Director Blake Ward.

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

Also in attendance were a number of observers.

3. Pledge of Allegiance.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Bland.

4. Public Comments.

Several observers addressed the board.

Recess for Public Hearing: Proposed Amendments to the Draft Rules. 6:15 p.m. Several observers addressed the board and one board member.

Reconvene into regular session. 6:28 p.m.

5. A. Consider written and oral public comments on the proposed rule amendments.

B. Discussion/Possible Action: Approve, amend, or defer proposed rules. Vote: 6-0

2nd. Richard Barthels Motion to table: Charlie Gaines

6. Discussion/Possible Action: Approval of minutes from July 2024 regular board meeting and July 23 special board meeting.

Motion to accept as written: Charlie Gaines 2nd.: Randy Schott Vote: 6-0

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

Motion to accept: Charlie Gaines 2nd.: B.J. Eckenrod

Vote: 6-0

- 8. Review of Monthly Investment Officer's Report.
- Discussion/Possible Action: Invoices Received and Invoices Paid for July 2024. Motion to approve as presented: Stan Conoly 2nd: Richard Barthels Vote: 6-0
- 10. Review TWDB Drought Index and other monitoring sites.
- 11. Presentation: Dr. Bill Hutchison- Update on groundwater model development.

Power point presentation presented to board and observers.

- Discussion/Possible Action: Proposed Budget FY 2024-2025, set time/date for a Public Hearing.
 Motion to have public hearing at next board meeting, September 11 to discuss/possible action on 2024-2025 budget, proposed tax rate, and fee schedule: Charlie Gaines.
 2nd.: BJ Eckenrod

 Vote 6-0
- Discussion/Possible Action: Proposed Tax Rate, set time/date for public hearing. Motion was made under item #12.
- 14. Discussion/Possible Action: Proposed Fee Schedule, set time/date for public hearing. Motion was made under #12.
- Discussion/Possible Action: Kinney County Appraisal District offer by Joe Aleman to Purchase 'trust property" UN 15 FCS. Lot 31.
 Motion to accept: Charlie Gaines 2nd.: Stan Conoly Vote: 6-0
- Discussion/Possible Action: Purchase Cyber Liability and Data Breach Response Coverage.
 Motion to purchase: Charlie Gaines 2nd: Richard Barthels Vote: 6-0
- Discussion/Possible Action: Amend 2023-2024 budge to transfer funds between line items.
 Motion to amend: Charlie Gaines 2nd.: B.J. Eckenrod Vote: 6-0
- 18. General Manager's Report.
 Genell Hobbs stated the district had received 1 exempt well application, insurance is going up, and she would be attending the Texas Groundwater Summit in San Antonio on August 20-22.
- Discussion: Future Agenda Items.
 Purchasing new chairs for the board room.
- 20. Adjourn. 7:57 p.m.

 Motion: Stan Conoly 2nd.: Richard Barthels Vote: 6-0

APPROVED:

Matt Bland, President Bland Ward - V-P.

Date: 3///24

ATTEST:

Richard Barthels, Secretary

Date: 9 111 24