UPPER TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MONDAY, OCTOBER 21, 2019 MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

- 1. Welcome guests and members of the public. The meeting convened at 5:00 p.m.
- 2. Roll call, establish a quorum, call Board Meeting to order; declare the board meeting open to the public.

Directors Present: Jarrod Reynolds, Tracy Mesler, Mike Berkley, Don Majka, Shannon Nave, and Richard English

Directors Absent: Tim Watts and Brent Wilson

- 3. Pledges of allegiance to the flags were recited.
- 4. Public comments were made where noted below.
- 5. Director English moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including minutes from Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting on September 16, 2019; approval of bank statement ending September 30, 2019, and current financial reports of the District; approve payment of bills/invoices received through October 21, 2019; and reimbursements for expenses incurred on behalf of the District through October 21, 2019. Director Majka seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 6. No items were pulled from consent agenda for further discussion.
- 7. Director Majka moved to approve the Investment Officer's Quarterly report as presented. Director Nave seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 8. Director Majka moved to adopt Resolution 19-003 Setting Water Use Fees for 2020, which set the water usage fees at \$0.22 per thousand gallons. Director Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously. Staff will send a notice to all non-exempt well owners.
- 9. Director Reynolds moved to adopt Resolution 19-004 Setting Administrative Fees for Historic Use and Operating Permit Applications, which set the Historic Use Permit Application fee at \$100.00 and the Operating Permit Application fee at \$400.00. Director English seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 10. Director Majka moved to accept the proposal for renewal of Medical Coverage for District employees for 2020 including the Health Reimbursement Arrangement (HRA) as presented. Director Berkley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 11. Staff presented a draft of the proposed fiscal year 2020 Budget. As part of that discussion, Parker County Commissioner Larry Walden, representing the Parker County Livestock Improvement Association (PLIA), requested the District's participation in a rainwater collection project at the PLIA's new covered show arena located at the Parker County Sherriff's Posse Grounds. Discussion regarding the development of fiscal year 2020 Budget will continue in the next Regular Board meeting.
- 12. Director Berkley moved to approve a request by Grasslands Equestrian Estates for a second extension to drill two approved domestic water wells (Well IDs 11926 and 11927) located in Wise County. Director Nave seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- 13. Director Berkley moved to approve a request by Aqua TX for a second extension to drill three approved public water supply wells for the Chisholm Springs water system (Well IDs 11001, 11002 and 11003) located in Wise County. Director Nave seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 14. Director Berkley moved to approve a request by Stonegate Partners Deer Creek for a third extension to drill two approved public water supply wells (Well IDs 10150 and 10151) located in Parker County. Director Nave seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 15. Discussion regarding activities of Groundwater Management Area 8:
 - A. For the Board's consideration, staff presented the "Subsidence" section of the current GMA 8 Explanatory Report, which is one of the 9 factors that must be considered prior to the adoption of DFCs. No action was taken.
 - B. Director English moved to approve the proposed pumping estimates, as presented by staff, to be used for the development of DFCs during the current round of joint planning. Director Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 16. Director Berkley moved to approve the amendments to the District Bylaws and adopt Resolution 19-005 Amending and Adopting District Bylaws. Director English seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 17. Director Reynolds moved to authorize GM Shaw to work with the Monitoring Well Committee to move forward with monitoring well projects in Silverado on the Brazos in Parker County and in Oak Shores subdivision in Montague County. Director Nave seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 18. **Management Report on Administrative and Operational Issues**: The General Manager and staff will brief the Board on the following and any other items included in the General Manager's written report, which may be discussed, considered, and acted upon by the Board, including authorizing the initiation of, managing, or resolving enforcement action or litigation where applicable.
 - A. General Manager's report was submitted to the Board of Directors in advance of the Regular Board meeting. In regards to the discussion about the discovery of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs Benzene and Xylene) in several private water wells in Wise County, Director Majka moved to direct the GM, at his discretion, to bring any new well applications in the immediate area of those private wells to the Board of Directors for discussion and consideration. Director Nave seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
 - B. Discussion regarding delinquent customers of the District will resume in the next Regular Board meeting.
 - C. Report on Education and Outreach activities; no action was taken
 - D. Report on injection well applications filed with the Railroad Commission; no action was taken
 - E. Well Registration and Groundwater Production reports; no action was taken
- 19. Director Nave moved to adopt 2019 budget amendments, as presented by staff:
 - Move \$10,000 from Capital Expenses-Equipment & Appliances to Capital Expenses-Property Development
 - Move \$2,000 from Office Furniture to Computer Software & Hardware

Director Berkley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

20. Attorney Brian Sledge of SledgeLaw Group gave brief updates on pertinent legal issues and developments impacting the District since the last regular Board meeting; no action was taken.

- 21. The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, November 18, 2019 at the District's office at 5:00 p.m.
- 22. Items to discuss in the next Regular Board Meeting were mentioned above.
- 23. President Mesler adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS this 18 day of November 2019.

Attest:

Tracy Mesler, President

Secretary