UPPER TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2019 MINUTES OF MEETINGS OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

INTRODUCTORY MATTERS

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

Directors Present: Jarrod Reynolds, Brent Wilson, Tracy Mesler, Mike Berkley, Don Majka, Shannon Nave, and Tim Watts

Director Absent: Richard English

- 3. Pledges of allegiance to the flags were recited.
- 4. There were no public comments.

PUBLIC HEARING

- 1. During the discussion regarding the request by Sauder Land Holdings I and II, Ltd. to amend the maximum designed production capacity of four (4) existing registered water wells (Wise County), Kerry Graham spoke on behalf of the applicant. Mr. Graham stated that the request was to update the registrations for the four (4) water wells to reflect what each of the wells was tested to produce prior to District rules being enacted. Mr. Graham also stated that the applicant had no plans to utilize the water wells and that the request was made to protect the investment made in the wells by the applicant. Mr. Andy Hopper and Mr. Walter Peterson also provided public comment during the Hearing and the District received a letter from Ms. Beth H. Holliday in opposition to the request. Director Watts moved to approve the amendments as requested. Director Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. President Mesler adjourned the Public Hearing for Sauder Land Holdings I and II, Ltd. at 5:30 p.m.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

- 1. Director Majka moved to approve the Consent Agenda, including minutes from the Regular Board Meeting on October 21, 2019; approval of bank statement ending October 31, 2019, and current financial reports of the District; approval of Investment Report; approve payment of bills/invoices received through November 18, 2019; and reimbursements for expenses incurred on behalf of the District through November 18, 2019 (including additions from Director Nave). Director Berkley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 2. No items were pulled from consent agenda for further discussion.
- 3. During the discussion regarding a request from Aqua Texas to amend the location of an approved replacement well (Well ID 11220) located off of Lazy Bend Road in Parker County, Matt Van Hattem of Collier Consulting answered questions on behalf of the applicant. Director Nave moved to approve the amendment. Director Majka seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 4. Director Wilson moved to approve the following requests for a second extension to drill approved water wells:
 - A. Well ID 11238 for Aqua Texas in Wise County
 - B. Well ID 12200 for David Carrigan in Wise County

Director Berkley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

5. The discussion regarding several domestic water wells, north of Springtown in Wise County, which tested positive for the presence of Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), specifically Benzene and Xylene will resume in the next Regular

Board meeting. Staff will continue to work with other well owners in the area to identify the extent of the potentially contaminated area.

- 6. **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; no action was taken. Registration and Permitting Coordinator Kyle Russell made a presentation and answered questions regarding the Historic Use Permitting process and timeline.
 - B. Report on delinquent customers of the District; no action was taken
 - 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
- 7. Director Berkley moved to adopt 2019 budget amendments, as presented by staff:
 - Move \$1,500 from Office Furniture to Auto Maintenance
 - Move \$850 from Office Furniture to Credit Card Processing
 - Move \$100 from Health Reimbursement Arrangement to Payroll Expense--Direct Deposit
 - Move \$5,500 from Health Reimbursement Arrangement to Payroll Expense (Tax Liability)

Director Majka seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

- 8. Director Watts moved to approve the proposed 2020 Budget and allocation of District funds as presented; adopt Resolution 19-006 Adopting a Budget for 2020; and adopt Resolution 19-007 Allocation of Funds for the District. Director Reynolds seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 9. Director Majka moved to adopt the 2020 Regular Board meeting dates as January 27, February 24, March 16, April 20, May 18, June 15, July 20, August 17, September 21, October 19, November 16, and December 21. The motion also included affirmation that the District will adopt the 2020 Parker County Holiday Calendar. Director Mesler seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- 10. Attorney Brian Sledge of SledgeLaw Group was not present to brief the Board on pertinent legal issues and developments impacting the District since the last regular Board meeting.
- 11. The next Regular Board Meeting is scheduled for Monday, December 16, 2019 at the District's office at 5:00 p.m.
- 12. Items to discuss in the next Regular Board Meeting were mentioned above.
- 13. President Mesler adjourned the meeting at 6:25 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED BY THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS this 16 day of December 2019.

Attest:

Secretary

Tracy Mesler, President