

POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting
POSGCD District Offices
310 East Avenue C
Milano, TX 76556
July 9, 2015 – 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

Directors Present

Nathan Ausley
Kerry Starnes
Bob Ware
Steven Wise
Tommy Tietjen
Durwood Tucker
Bob Wilson
Lee Alford
Jay Wilder
Sidney Youngblood

Directors Absent

Staff Present

Gary Westbrook
Bobby Bazan
Elaine Gerren

Others Present

James Bené
Barney Knight
Juan Looroussi
Scott Carlson
Rick Morgan
Pat Reilly
Bill Graham
Phyllis C. Waring
Fred Russell
Colleen Waring

Entity

RW Harden & Associates
Knight & Partners
HB6 Vista Ridge
Metropolitan Water
Abengoa
Blue Water
Self
Self
22 Hills
Berry Hill Farm

BOARD MEETING

1. Call to Order and establish quorum

Nathan Ausley, Board President called the Board Meeting to order and established quorum at 5:30 p.m.

2. Public Comment

President Ausley opened the floor for public comment. None was offered.

3. Minutes of June 25, 2015 Board Meeting

A motion was made by Director Durwood Tucker to approve the minutes of the June 25, 2015 Board meeting. The motion was 2nd by Director Jay Wilder. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Open and award bids for building

President Nathan Ausley opened the three bids that were received. The bids were as follows:
Jane Osmand \$ 5001.00 Joe Hairston \$ 7100.00 Bill Graham \$ 1500.00

The highest bid and award of the Building was to Joe Hairston pending approval and signature of the contract prepared by the Districts' Legal Counsel. A motion was made by Tommy Tietjen to accept the highest bid and award the Building to Joe Hairston pending approval and signature of the contract prepared by the Districts' Legal Counsel. The motion was 2nd by Director Lee Alford. The motion passed unanimously. After additional discussion, a motion was made by President Nathan Ausley to authorize General Manager Gary Westbrook to offer acceptance to the 2nd highest bidder if the highest bidder declines to purchase the property and execute the contract. The motion was 2nd by Director Tommy Tietjen. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Approve agreement for removal of Office Building

A motion was made by Director Sidney Youngblood to approve and use the contract as presented by the Districts Legal Counsel, with the allowance of minor changes and edits as necessary by the General Manager and the purchaser of the building to come to agreement. The motion was 2nd by President Nathan Ausley. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Recent News-related events and letters to the editors

General Manger Gary Westbrook presented a breakdown of the District's expenses included under the "Travel" portion of the District's Budget for 2014, which were referenced in a recent Letter to the Editor in the Rockdale and Cameron newspapers by Mr. Curtis Chubb. Mr. Westbrook then cited the inaccuracies and misleading statements in Mr. Chubb's letter with regard to the Board's policies as they apply to handling and Board approval of District expenses. Director Wilson asked if staff turned in receipts for all expenses paid by District debit cards. Mr. Westbrook stated receipts were turned in and all receipts are subject to public information requests and available to the public. Mr. Westbrook asked the Board for any comments and/or guidance concerning possible changes to the Board's policies regarding these issues. After a period of no response from the Board, President Ausley noted that the Board seemed satisfied with the policies in place. Director Wise addressed the statement in the letter regarding expenditures for years 2011-2013 exceeding revenues and noted that this statement was also misleading when considering the way District Grant funds are dispersed in years different than when actually awarded. General Manger Gary Westbrook also alerted the Board to a Letter to the Editor in the Cameron newspaper by Ms. Karen Clark that referenced the Little River off Cannel Reservoir, and noted that he had spoken with Ms. Clark, and explained POSGCD's

recent efforts, and Ms. Clark had apologized for her misgivings which she said were due to a recent article in the Cameron paper.

7. Petition and Response filed with TCEQ

District Legal Counsel, Barney Knight gave an update to the Board regarding the petition that was submitted to the TCEQ from Mr. Curtis Chubb, and the response filed by the District. Mr. Knight stated that responding was difficult due to the lack of structure of Mr. Chubb's petition. Mr. Knight also stated the District could not manage the aquifers in compliance with the Texas Constitution and Chapter 36, in the manner urged by Mr. Chubb.

8. Joint Planning Process and Desired Future Conditions (DFC's), groundwater resources in the District, and future process for evaluating District DFC's for Groundwater Management Area 12 (GMA 12) and Groundwater Area 8 (GMA 8)

General Manager Gary Westbrook presented the Well Mitigation Fund Proposal prepared by Fred Russell and Dan Fischer of the Twenty Two Hills Subdivision. The Board agreed to discuss this at a future meeting. Mr. Westbrook also reported on the most recent GMA 12 meeting of June 25, and noted that the next meeting would be August 13, 2015.

9. Receive report from District Manager on recent District activities and take appropriate actions.

A. Permit applications filed with the District and Hearing Dates; Emergency Permits Granted
General Manager Gary Westbrook advised the Board that currently there were no applications before the District which would require a hearing.

B. Well Drilling activities: GM Westbrook reported 16 new registrations, 2 new applications, 6 well completions, 0 wells plugged, and 0 well inspection since the last meeting.

C. Recent and future District presentations and activities

1. Brazos Region G Water Planning Group

GM Westbrook reported on work performed by District staff, including a mapping of the footprint of the Little River OCR, and his presentation at the June 23 Region G Public Hearings concerning the LROCR.

2. Legislative Update

GM Westbrook stated that a more complete update would be forthcoming at the next Board meeting. He then briefly discussed HB 200 of this session.

3. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts quarterly meeting of June 3-4, 2015

General Manager Westbrook reported that he and Bobby Bazan both attended this meeting and provided a brief update.

4. Texas Water Conservation Association quarterly meeting of June 17-19, 2015

General Manager Westbrook reported that he attended this meeting and provided a brief update.

5. Milam and Burleson Counties Groundwater Summit of August 12, 2015

General Manager Gary Westbrook presented a flyer of the Itinerary for the presenters and noted the board had approved offering sponsorships for this year's event.

6. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts Groundwater Summit of August 25-27, 2015

GM Westbrook reminded the Board about this upcoming event.

7. Texas Aquifer Conference of June 25, 2015

General Manager Westbrook reported that he and Bobby Bazan both attended this Meeting and provided a brief update.

8. Transfer of permits from Blue Water Systems

General Manager Gary Westbrook advised the board that the bifurcation and transfer of the Blue Water Systems permits previously approved by the Board were complete.

10. Office needs and improvements

General Manager Gary Westbrook presented an estimated cost sheet for the move, set up, and remodel of the new office building. After discussion a motion was made by President Nathan Ausley and 2nd by Tommy Titejan to authorize the General Manager to make decisions on the items associated with moving and setting up the new building as included in the top portion of the estimated cost sheet after consultation with the Building Committee. After discussion the motion carried unanimously.

11. 2015 Budget

After discussion a motion was made by Director Steven Wise to amend the budget and to add a budget item for Capital Improvements with \$105,000 for the cost associated with installation and remodel of the new building. The motion was 2nd by Director Tommy Tietjen. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report.

After discussion, Director Robert Ware moved to approve the financial report and payment of bills. President Nathan Ausley seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

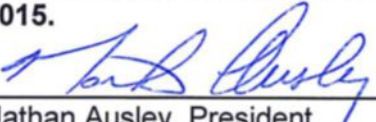
13. Dates, locations, and times of future meetings.

President Ausley noted the next regularly scheduled meeting will be August 11, 2015, if needed.

14. Adjourn Board Meeting


President Ausley adjourned the meeting at 6:35 pm

THE ABOVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD ON JULY 9, 2015 WERE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THAT BOARD ON AUGUST 11, 2015.



Nathan Ausley, President

Attest:



Kerry Starnes, Secretary/Treasurer
Gary Westbrook

Date _____