

Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District



Grant Committee Meeting July 19, 2017 – 1:00 p.m. Post Oak Savannah GCD Offices 310 East Ave. C Milano, Texas

Minutes

POSGCD Members Present: Lee Alford, Durwood Tucker, and Jay Wilder

Members absent: Kerry Starnes

Others Present: Drew Gholson, TAMU Ag. Extension, Gary Westbrook, Bobby Bazan, Megan Homeyer

1. Invocation

Gary Westbrook gave the invocation.

2. Call to order

Chairman Alford called the meeting to order at 1:05 pm

3. Discuss and consider 2017 Groundwater Conservation Grant Application for Cooks Point WSC, and amendments to this application

GM Gary Westbrook presented an update on the 2017 Grant application filed by Cooks Point WSC, and noted a leak had been located during a recent leak detection effort performed at CPWSC. He discussed this and the application as filed by Cooks Point. Director Alford asked if details or size of the leak had been determined. GM Westbrook responded this information was not available yet since the leak had only very recently been identified and not yet uncovered. After discussion, Director Alford moved and Director Wilder seconded, to table this item until the next meeting of the Grant Committee, and direct the general manager to communicate to Cooks Point WSC work from the 2014 grant award must be completed and all information on the 2017 application must be returned within 30 days for final disposal of this item by the committee. The motion passed unanimously.

4. Discuss and consider all aspects of District Rainwater Harvesting Grant Program, including but not limited to, application forms, policies, qualification requirements, training for District Staff, verifications by District Staff, reimbursements to qualifying citizens, and short term loans for Rainwater Harvesting systems

GM Westbrook then introduced Dr. Drew Gholson, Texas A&M Extension Service, to discuss this agenda item. Dr. Gholson laid out draft policies, forms, and costs for the POSGCD Rainwater Harvesting Grant Program. After thorough discussion, Director Tucker moved, and Director Wilder seconded, to adopt all forms and policies as amended, more specifically to include the following: 1) applicants must complete the identified courses to qualify for the grant reimbursement by taking classes offered by this program; 2) only one application per household could be filed per year; 3) a maximum of no more than \$3000 could be awarded per household per lifetime; 4) reimbursements would be limited to \$1 per gallon of storage of the completed system; 5) site plans must be approved before expenses may be considered for the program; 6) a completion investigation by qualified staff must be completed and filed along with qualifying receipts for reimbursement; 7) qualifying applicants may be eligible for short term financial assistance in purchasing tanks. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Consider Training dates for District Rainwater Harvesting Grant Program

The committee discussed probable dates with Dr. Gholson and left these decisions to GM Westbrook and Dr. Gholson.

6. Adjourn

The committee adjourned at 2:50 pm

THE ABOVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE GRANT COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD ON JULY 19, 2017 WERE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THAT COMMITTEE ON _____, 2017.

Lee Alford, Chairman

Attest: _____

Date _____

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