

Board Meeting June 9, 2020 – 5:30 p.m. Post Oak Savannah GCD Offices 310 East Ave. C Milano, Texas Agenda Preview

Hello Directors,

Here is an Agenda Preview for our June 9 meeting. As usual my comments are in *bold italics where necessary*. I will leave no comment in cases where comment is not needed and a full report will be given at the meeting. Any necessary supporting documents are attached to this email, or will follow shortly. Please see instructions below to attend the meeting. You should be able to simply click on any of the links below. Please call with any questions. Respectfully,

Gary Westbrook

In consideration of the recent Governor's Order (GA-18), Open Texas, effective May 1, 2020, regarding the Coronavirus Disease (COVID-19), the District Offices will be open only to the Directors, Staff and Consultants who wish to attend in person, while others may attend virtually. Members of the public who wish to attend virtually and listen, observe, or actively participate during this meeting may join this meeting from their computer, tablet or smartphone at:

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- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Invocation
- 3. Call to Order and establish quorum
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. 2020 Aquifer Conservancy Program: Kick off for Enrollment and Landowner incentives

 This is a reminder of the opening of the program for enrollments and incentives as well as a brief update
 on our efforts to attract more enrolments.
- 6. Minutes of May 12, 2020 Board Meeting Emailed to you previously and a corrected version is attached to this email.
- 7. 2019 District Audit
 - Our audit is complete and attached to this email.
- 8. Extension of time for employees to use earned vacation under current extenuating circumstances

 This is a request due to cancellations of trips due to COVID-19. Our policies state an employee must use
 vacation time within one year after it is earned. Several employees have had to cancel trips, vacations, etc. due
 to the pandemic. We are asking to allow employees to have an additional 90 days to use their earned vacation
 for this year only.
- 9. Request from Southwest Milam WSC to amend the application, award, and contract for 2020 Groundwater Conservation Grant
 - Please see attached request from SWMWSC. As we mentioned during the April 27 meeting, there was additional funding available to offer to SWMWSC after the higher scoring applications had been awarded funding for their grant applications. To take advantage of this opportunity SWMWSC is requesting to reduce the scope of work in their application to come more in line with the amount awarded by the District. They have not reduced the amount they are committed to spend. We have received requests such as this in the past and approved them.
- 10. Request from Clara Hills C.A. to amend the application, award, and contract for 2020 Groundwater Conservation Grant
 - Clara Hills is requesting a minor revision to the map submitted in their original application. This does not change the scoring or cost of their application which was awarded April 27, 2020.

- 11. Report from Rules Committee on possible consideration of amendments to District Rules, Section 1, Definitions and Concepts
 - This will be a discussion on the draft language forwarded to you previously, and attached to this email again. This is recommended language to be set for public hearings at the July 14 Board meeting.
- 12. Responses to public comments and questions as posted on District website: www.posgcd.org
 This is an draft of responses to recent comments and questions received from meetings and the public.
- 13. Requested in person report from EPCOR on Vista Ridge production, pipeline management, and compliance with District Rules
 - EPCOR is the company who has partial ownership in, and is responsible for operation of, the Vista Ridge pipeline. This will be report from Stefan Schuster, Director of Operations for EPCOR, as requested by our Advisory Committee to update everyone on what measures EPCOR is pursuing to ensure compliance with our rules and other statutory compliance. Please see attached bio of Mr. Schuster.
- 14. Report on recent activities of groundwater level monitoring from Water Resource Management Specialist *This will be an overview of the monitoring efforts of this Spring.*
- 15. Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities *Doug will give a brief overview of our recent education efforts.*
- 16. Receive report from District Manager on recent District activities and take appropriate actions. *I will give a full update on each of the following at the meeting.*
 - A. Permit applications filed with the District and Hearing Dates; Emergency Permits Granted
 - B. Well Drilling activities: registrations, applications, completions, plugging, inspections
 - C. Recent and future District presentations and activities
 - 1. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD) Groundwater Summit of September 1-3, 2020 *This is a reminder to let us know if you wish to register for this event. There is a virtual option as well* 2. Milam and Burleson Counties Groundwater Summit of August 3, 2020
 - I will ask the Board to decide whether to offer this event this year as an in-person event, a virtual only event, or an in-person event with virtual options. Should we not have the single event, we can divide the panels and presenters into several evening virtual opportunities. We have already prepared for this possibility and I believe we can be successful.
 - 3. Office staffing, protection of staff and public, social distancing
 - I will advise that we are back at work with full staff in the office every day. We are open to the public, but we do keep the doors locked so we can monitor and control interactions between staff and public for the safety of both. We have successfully and safely served each and every person who has come to our doors. We will continue this practice for the foreseeable future.
- 17. Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report.
- A full report will be provided at the meeting.
- 18. Dates, locations, and times of future meetings

The next regular meeting would be July 14.

19. Adjourn Board Meeting