

Board Meeting February 9, 2021 – 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 February 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 included in this Board Packet 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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To actively participate with public comment in the meeting, please email the General Manager with your name and the topic or agenda item you wish to address at gwestbrook@posgcd.org by 3:00 pm, February 9, 2021. Please remember Public Comment is limited to 3 minutes per person.

The subjects to be discussed or considered, or upon which any formal action may be taken, are as listed below. Items may or may not be taken in the same order as shown on this meeting notice.

- 1. Pledge of Allegiance
- 2. Invocation
- 3. Call to Order and establish quorum
- 4. Public Comment
- 5. Minutes of January 12, 2020 Board Meeting *A corrected version of the minutes was sent previously and is included in this Board Packet.*
- 6. Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities
- 7. Temporary Variance to Rules concerning metering of flow rates

 Our rules currently require mechanical meters and do not allow for more appropriate industry standard nonmechanical meters. Barbara, Steve Young, and myself agree we should allow this until the Rules Committee
 recommends these changes in the Rules and the Board adopts. This variance would be available to any
 producer who wishes to use it. The Advisory Committee is in agreement with this recommendation and
 Barbara has prepared a Resolution which will be provided in the Board packet as well.
- 8. Issuance of an Operating Permit pursuant to Rule 5.5.3 to City of Thorndale, P.O. Box 308, Thorndale, Texas 76577 for operation of a groundwater well to be used for municipal water supply to the City of Thorndale, to produce less than or equal to 400 gallons per minute, with total production from the well not to exceed 321.841 acre feet per year
 - This is my official notification to the Board as required in our Rules of the issuance of this permit.
- 9. Participation with Texas A&M Agri-Life Education efforts for irrigation conservation We voted to support this last year with funding through the Education Budget. This was delayed by COVID and the overall application to TWDB was not awarded to TAMU. They are applying again to TWDB for grant funding and are now able to proceed with development on our programs this year. As this was put on hold from last year, and can now proceed, the Advisory Committee recommends we move forward as last year. Additional information is provided in this Board packet.
- 10. Joint planning process and Desired Future Conditions (DFCs), groundwater resources in the District, and future process for evaluating District DFCs for Groundwater Management Area 12 (GMA 12) and Groundwater Management Area 8 (GMA 8)

The next GMA 12 meeting is next Friday, February 12, at 10 am. We will provide an update under this agenda item concerning the Board's direction to seek lower DFC values in the Carrizo.

- 11. Executive Session- The Board will convene into Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.071, Texas Government Code and 1.05 Texas Disciplinary Code to consult with Legal Counsel on the following:
 - a. Receive Ad Hoc Committee and/or General Manager's report on enforcement actions involving SAWS, Vista Ridge and EPCOR.

No action will be taken in Executive Session.

- 12. Reconvene into Open Session.
- 13. Receive General Manager's report on compliance with reporting associated with 2020 amendments to Vista Ridge permits, and associated direction to General Manager

Barbara, Steve and myself are reviewing the most recent submissions and will report on this to the Board.

- 14. Receive report from General Manager on recent District activities and take appropriate actions.
 - A. Permit applications filed with the District and Hearing Dates; Emergency Permits Granted
 - B. Well Drilling activities: registrations, applications, completions, plugging, inspections
 - C. Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken

This will be a regular agenda item in the future and will highlight and review the work under the GWAP.

- D. Recent and future District presentations and activities
 - 1. Annual Report from General Manager
 - 2. TAMU AgriLife Tri-County Winter Crops Seminar of January 27, 2021
 - 3. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts meeting of January 26-27, 2021
 - 4. Texas Water Conservation Association Conference of March 3-5, 2021
 - 5. 2021 Groundwater Conservation Grants applications and filing deadline
 - 6. 2021 Water Level Monitoring work
 - 7. Update on pending work to develop conservation programs for brush control and irrigation
 - 8. Texas Groundwater Summit of August 31-September 2, 2021
 - 9. Milam and Burleson Counties Groundwater Summit August 12, 2021
- 15. Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report.
- 16. Dates, locations, and times of future meetings
- 17. Adjourn Board Meeting