

**POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Public Hearings & Board of Directors Meeting
POSGCD District Offices
310 East Avenue C
Milano, TX 76556
January 11, 2022 – 5:30 p.m.**

MINUTES

POSGCD Board Members Present

Sidney Youngblood
Steven Wise
Becky Goetsch
Ward Roddam
Dana McClaren
Ed Savage
Jay Wilder
Lee Alford – via online

Board Members Absent

Bob Wilson
Tommy Tietjen

POSGCD Staff Present

Gary Westbrook
Doug Box
Courtney Gentry
Bobby Bazan (online)
Craig Andrews (online)

POSGCD Consultants

Barbra Boulware-Wells
Steve Young- via online

Public Attendance

Curtis Chubb Central Texas Aquifers Coalition

Public Attendance via online

Amy Hinnant Landowner
Brooksie Fuchs
Jaclyn Robertson TAMU
Ross Cummings Blue Water
James Bene R.W. Harden
Andy Weir SAWDF

Liz Ferry
Paul Brandenburg
Shan Rutherford

R.W. Harden
Terrill & Waldrop

Board Meeting

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Board President Sidney Youngblood led the pledges to the flags of the United States and Texas

2. Invocation

Dana McClaren gave the invocation.

3. Call to Order and establish quorum

Sidney Youngblood called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m. and noted that seven directors were present in person and one online.

4. Oath of Office for Appointed Board Members

Steven Wise gave the Oath of Office to the newly reappointed board members. The judges from Milam and Burleson counties along with the precinct commissioners reappointed all 6 directors for 2022. The 6 directors reappointed were Sidney Youngblood, Dana McClaren, Becky Goetsch, Ward Roddam, Jay Wilder and Lee Alford.

5. Election of Board Officers

Steven Wise moved to nominate Sidney Youngblood as the board President, Ward Roddam as the board Vice President and Jay Wilder as the board secretary. Mr. Youngblood requested further discussion on Mr. Wise's nominations. No further comments were made. Director Becky Goetsch seconded Mr. Wise's motion. A unanimous decision was made.

6. Public Comment

Curtis Chubb requested to present a PowerPoint presentation to discuss two rules violations with the Board. Mr. Chubb cited current transport permits with no permittee addresses. Mr. Chubb stated that if Vista Ridge is supplying water to Atascosa County, the permit has been violated due to Atascosa County not being listed on the Vista Ridge permit.

No further public comments were made.

7. State of the District

Sidney Youngblood gave an overview of the state of the District.

8. Consent Agenda

All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be self-explanatory by the Board and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board Member requests.

- a) **Minutes of November 9, 2021 Board Meeting**
- b) **Interlocal Agreements with Milam and Burleson Counties**
- c) **Final Amendments to 2021 Budget**
- d) **Bills received, current financial status, Investment Office Report**
- e) **Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities**
- f) **Annual Report for 2021**
- g) **Receive report from General Manager on recent District Activities and take appropriate actions.**
 1. **Permit applications filed with the District and Hearing Dates; Emergency Permits Granted**
 2. **Well Drilling activities: registrations, applications, completions, plugging, inspections**
 3. **Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken**
 4. **Recent and future District presentations and activities**
 - a. **Participation on Groundwater Panel at Texas Land Trust Council of March 2-4, 2022**
 - b. **Groundwater Management Area 12 Meeting of January 28, 2022**
 - c. **Texas Groundwater Association Conference of January 25-28, 2022**
 - d. **2022 Groundwater Conservation Grants published and due March 25, 2022**

Mr. Westbrook requested to remove items 8 b) and 8 f) from the consent agenda. Item 8 f) was not final at the time of this meeting but will be posted to the website and brought back to the board in February. Sidney Youngblood requested the board to accept the consent agenda with items 8 b) and 8 f) removed. Director Roddam moved to accept the consent agenda and Director Savage seconded the motion. A unanimous decision was made by the board to accept the consent agenda with the removal of items 8 b) and 8 f). Mr. Westbrook recommends allowing the advisory committee to review item 8 b) with legal counsel and then have the staff forward to the two counties to then be returned to the advisory committee to be finalized. Sidney Youngblood requests a motion and second to approve the process mentioned above by Mr. Westbrook. Director Goetsch moved to approve this process. The motion was seconded by Director Wilder. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Regular Agenda

- a) **Discussion and possible action to amend Aquifer Conservancy Program (ACP)**

Mr. Westbrook stated the Advisory Committee recommends allowing enrollment into the ACP year-round. After discussion, Director Wise moved to accept this

change to the ACP enrollment period. The motion was seconded by Director Savage. A unanimous decision was made to allow this change.

b) Continued Participation in Texas A&M Agrilife Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program

After discussion of the current level of support Chairman Youngblood suggests going to the Signature level for support of the 4-H Water Ambassadors program. After discussion Director Goetsch moved and Director Wilder seconded to support the 4-H Water Ambassadors program at the Signature Level for 2022. A unanimous vote was made to approve this level of support.

After additional discussion Director Wilder moved and Director Wise seconded to charge the Education Committee with finding ways to encourage youth from Milam and Burleson Counties to participate in the 4-H Water Ambassadors program, including use of funds for scholarships. The motion passed unanimously.

c) Review Board Dashboard and discuss appointments to committees

Mr. Westbrook reviewed Board Committee appointments from 2021 and asked if anyone has interest in changing their assignments or committee appointments.

Chairman Youngblood requests to have all appointments finalized by noon on Friday, 1/14/2022.

d) Water Well Monitoring Update: Number of wells and frequency of measurements

District Water Resource Management Specialist Bobby Bazan presented an update and overview of the POSGCD Monitoring Network. All agreed this update showed good progress and thanked Mr. Bazan and Craig Andrews and Jeff Fisher for their dedication to expanding the network.

e) Publishing of request for, and evaluation of, Proposals for Auditing services for 2021

Mr. Westbrook advised that ads have been placed to receive proposals from CPAs. Mr. Westbrook requests to put the responsibility of selecting and bringing back a recommendation for a CPA on the Advisory Committee. This will be brought back to the Board in February. Director Savage moved and Director Wise seconded to charge the Advisory Committee with evaluating applications and qualifications from CPAs and return a recommendation to the Board. The motion passed unanimously.

f) Consider moving Regular February Board Meeting to February 15, 2022

Mr. Westbrook requests to move the February Board meeting to February 15th so staff might attend the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD) Meeting February 8-9, 2022 in North Austin.

Director Wilder moved and Director Savage seconded to move the February

Board Meeting to February 15th, 2022. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Executive Session – Closed session in accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Advice of Counsel) and Section 551.072 (Real Estate), and Section 1.05 Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct regarding:

- a) Discussion concerning future needs of the District's property and/or building
- b) Receive advice concerning the possible violations of District's rules concerning production and reporting requirements
- c) Regional production

Chairman Youngblood recessed the Board into executive session at 7:00 p.m. and stated that no decisions would be made during Executive Session.

11. Reconvene – *Reconvene into regular open session and consider action, if any, on items discussed in executive session.*

The Board reconvened into open session at 8:10 p.m. Director Roddam moved the Board take action on item 10 b) Receive advice concerning the possible violations of District's rules concerning production and reporting requirements as discussed in Executive Session. The motion was seconded by Director Goetsch. The motion passed unanimously.

No other action was taken or discussed.

12. Dates, locations and times of future meetings

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for February 15, 2022.

13. Adjourn Board Meeting

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 8:12 p.m.

THE ABOVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD ON JANUARY 11, 2022 WERE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THAT BOARD ON FEBRUARY 15, 2022.

Sidney Youngblood, President

Attest:

Gary Westbrook, Assistant Board Secretary

Date _____