



**Board Meeting
January 10, 2023 – 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 January 10 meeting. The “Consent Agenda” includes items not normally needing discussion. All items to be considered under the Consent Agenda have been reviewed by staff and appropriate consultants, as well as one of the District’s committees where appropriate.

As usual my comments are in ***bold italics where necessary***. I will leave no comment in cases where information in the Board Packet is self-explanatory or where comment is not needed. For those items a full report will be given at the meeting. Any necessary supporting documents are posted in the under the meeting date and may be found on our website at <https://posgcd.org/agendas-minutes/posgcd-agendas-minutes/> . Some information may not be available until after a respective committee meeting, or will be presented at the meeting.

Please see instructions below concerning attendance for the meeting. Please call with any questions.

Respectfully,

Gary Westbrook

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District will hold a regular meeting on January 10, 2023, at 5:30 pm.

In compliance with the Open Meetings Act, the District Offices are open, however, members of the public who wish to attend virtually and listen, observe, or actively participate during the public comment portion may join this meeting from their computer, tablet or smartphone at:

<https://meet.goto.com/913405013>

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Access Code: 913-405-013

To actively participate with virtual 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, January 10, 2023. 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. Election of Board Officers
5. Public Comment
6. Introduction of Gregory Perry as Water Resources Management Specialist – ***Please find his resume in the supporting documents.***
7. **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 15, 2022 Board Meeting and Public Hearings
 - b) Final amendments to 2022 Budget – ***Please find an office memo in the Board Packet which describes final amendments.***
 - c) Amend 2023 Budget – ***The Advisory Committee considered and discussed the vehicle allowance provided to the general manager and noted the monthly amount of \$800 had not been adjusted since first implemented in 2012. In consideration of this and increased cost of vehicles, fuel, and maintenance, the committee is recommending to adjust the monthly vehicle allowance for the general manager to \$1400 per month, effective January 1, 2023. This is consistent with some other entities which provide this allowance. In exchange for receiving this allowance the general manager is responsible for any and all expenses***

associated with maintaining a vehicle necessary to carry out the responsibilities assigned to the general manager, including fuel, maintenance, and repair.

- d) Draft 2022 Annual Report – *this Draft Report is available for your consideration and comment. We will return a final copy to you at the next regular Board meeting.*
- e) Execute Contract with Riceland Consulting for Legislative services for 2023 – *Robby Cook provides these services to the District and has started a new company. Barbara has reviewed the contract is okay with it. The Advisory Committee has reviewed the contract and recommends execution.*
- f) Execute Contract with Ede and Company for Auditing Services for 2022 - *The Advisory Committee has reviewed the contract and recommends execution.*
- g) Issue Debit Cards for District Expenses for Gregory Perry and Michael Redman – *Please see the resolution in your Board Packet.*
- h) Update on Aquifer Conservancy Program (ACP) enrollments
- i) Water Well Monitoring Update: Number of wells and frequency of measurements
- j) Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken
- k) Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report.
You may notice an adjusted amount to the totals for the GWAP from last month as we discovered some funds which should have been included in the amount available but had not been included. This new report is corrected.
- l) Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities
- m) 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
The public hearings for the SLR applications are set for January 19, 2023 at 5:30 pm.
 2. Well Drilling activities: registrations, applications, completions, plugging, inspections
19 Registrations, 22 Applications, 18 Completions, 0 Plugging, 2 Inspections
 3. Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken
 4. Recent and future District presentations and activities
 - a. Invited Testimony before Senate Committee on Water, Agriculture, and Rural Affairs Nov. 16, 2022
Here is a link to this testimony-
https://tlcsenate.granicus.com/MediaPlayer.php?view_id=52&clip_id=17068
 - b. Groundwater Conservation Grant Packets mailed out January 3, 2023
 - c. Panel participation on Groundwater Availability at Water for Texas Conference of Jan. 23-25, 2023
I have been invited to participate on this panel with 3 other panelists and one moderator as Follows: Moderator- John Dupnik, Deputy Executive Administrator, TWDB
Panelists- and (general perspective):
 - *Charles Porter (socioeconomics perspective)*
 - *Robert Mace (environmental impacts/sustainability)*
 - *Billy Howe (property rights perspective)*
 - *Gary Westbrook (aquifers uses perspective/GCD manager)*
5. Reschedule Public Hearings for SLR Property I, LP from January 10, 2023 to January 19, 2023 to wit:
 - a. **October 14, 2022 Application by SLR Property I, LP (SLR) for a new 15,000 AF/Yr Simsboro Operating Permit**
 - b. **October 14, 2022 Application by SLR Property I, LP (SLR) for a new 9,000 AF/Yr Simsboro and Hooper Drilling and Operating Permit**
These public hearings have been rescheduled from this Board meeting to Thursday, January 19, 2023. Updated notices may be found on our website.

8. Regular Agenda

- a) Consider Report and Recommendations from Rules Committee concerning Draft Rules for posting for public hearings, including but not limited to Section 1.1 Definition of Terms, Section 4.1 Required Spacing, Section 4.3 Monitoring Requirements, Section 5 Production Limitations, Section 7.1 General Permit and Registration Provisions, Section 7.4 Application Requirements for All Permits, Section 7.7 Permits Issued by the District, Section 7.12 Drilling Permits, Section 7.15 Operating Permits, Section 8.5 Exempt Wells and Discharges Under State Permits, Section 12 Well Location and Completion, Section 13.1 Waste, Section 16.4 Actions Based on Monitoring Results, Section 16.5 Reductions Required by Regulatory Action, New Section 16.5 Five Year Reviews, Section 16.6 Adjusting Maximum Production Permitted, Section 16.7 Permit Limitations and Reductions

The Rules Committee will meet at 4:00 pm on the day of the Board meeting to discuss these drafts of Rules amendments and report to you their recommendations at this time.

b) Consider Report and Recommendations from Building Committee concerning discussions/negotiations/execution with Goodwin-Lasiter-Strong for a Professional Architect/Engineering and Service Agreement for Architectural/Engineering and Construction Phase Services for the new POSGCD offices, education and meeting center. – ***The Building Committee will meet Monday, January 9 to discuss and compose recommendations for the Board.***

c) Review GWAP Annual Needs Assessment (GANA) – ***Steve Young will provide an update on this item.***

d) Review and discussion of Guidance Document for drilling wells and eligibility for GWAP – ***Steve Young will provide an update on this item.***

9. Dates, locations, and times of future meetings

The rescheduled public hearings are set for January 19, 2023 at 5:30 pm. The next regular Board meeting would be February 14, 2023.

10. Adjourn Board Meeting