



**Board Meeting
October 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 October 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 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 October 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:

Please join my meeting from your computer, tablet or smartphone.

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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, October 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. Public Comment
5. **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 September 12, 2023 Board Meeting
- b) Update on Aquifer Conservancy Program (ACP) enrollments
- c) Water Well Monitoring Update: Number of wells and frequency of measurements
- d) Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken
- e) Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report.
- f) Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities
- g) Fines assessed to Deep Water Holdings, Inc., dba Big Creek Marina ***This fine was paid in full by applicant.***
- h) 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
No applications requiring hearings have been filed and no emergency permits issued.
 2. Well Drilling activities: registrations, applications, plugging, inspections
13 Registrations, 12 Applications, 6 wells plugged, 2 Inspections
 3. Recent and future District presentations and activities

a. Groundwater Committee of Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group Meeting Sept. 20, 2023
I serve as chairman of this committee. This was a preliminary meeting to discuss two items in the regional planning process. First is MAG Peaking Factors of which there have been no requests of Region G at this time. the second issue was to consider a recent request and presentation from Region H concerning the Brazos River Alluvium. No changes to current methodology for planning in the alluvium by Region G are recommended at this time. If anything affecting our District or GMA 12 comes before this committee I will bring it to the DFC Committee or any other appropriate committee of the Board. A recording of this meeting is available at <https://brazosgwater.org>

b. Meetings at Bureau of Economic Geology October 25, 2023
As we are one of the cooperating GCDs with Justin Thompson's work on development of a tool to assist landowners with evaluating impacts to their ability to produce water under their property, Michael Redman and I will attend this meeting to discuss development of the tool and future uses.

c. Groundwater Management Area 12 Meeting of October 26, 2023
An agenda will be posted for this meeting next week.

d. Texas Water Conservation Association Conference of Nov. 1- Nov. 3, 2023
Michael Redman and I will attend this conference.

6. Regular Agenda

a) Discussion and possible action on recommendations from Rules Committee on amendments to Rules, Management Plan and Board Policies

This information is included in your Board Packet and will be presented by the committee with a recommendation to place these Rules and Management Plan amendments for public hearings at our November 14 Board meeting. These amendments are intended to comply with recent legislation.

b) Amend Board Policies

This information is included in your Board Packet and will be presented by the committee with a recommendation to adopt at this time. These amendments are intended to comply with recent legislation.

c) Discussion and possible action on recommendations from DFC Committee concerning methodology to be used in joint planning regarding factors to be considered in adoption of Desired Future Conditions under Section 36.108, Texas Water Code

This information is included in your Board Packet and will be presented by the committee with a recommendation to provide direction to the General Manager in preparations for future GMA 12 meetings.

d) Update on 2023 Budget and First look at Draft 2024 Budget

This information is included in your Board Packet and has been reviewed by the Advisory Committee. I will answer questions and provide discussion on both the 2023 and 2024 Budgets. The information in your packet includes "Budget Notes" which explain what is included in each budget line item as well as an explanation of how the spreadsheet may be used to understand both budgets and the income of the District. This discussion item will also include the Advisory Committee's recommendations for payment for the Education Center and District Offices. The recommendation is to use \$1,000,000 of the District's funds as down payment and finance the balance over a period of time, with 10 years being discussed as the most likely period of time. The estimated total cost for this building is \$4,000,000. The Advisory Committee has reviewed this work and recommends placing notice for public hearings for the Draft 2024 Budget for public hearings at our November 14 Board meeting.

e) Employment of Education Coordinator

We may be able to name this person within the next two weeks. I will advise that I intend to have them on staff at least 2-4 weeks prior to Doug's retirement so there is ample time to cross train on the many responsibilities of this position. This will require a 2023 Budget amendment in January when we do final amendments for 2023.

f) Review Investment Policy

The current Investment Policy as amended last November is in your Board Packet for review at this time. If there are no amendments to consider we will maintain as is.

g) Appoint Financial Officer

Our Board Policies require one director and one staff to serve as the District Financial Officers. The General Manager satisfies the staff requirement, however, with the retirement of Steven Wise, a Board member should be appointed. The Advisory Committee recommends Bob Wilson to fill this role. As a side note, this past June both Michael Redman and Gregory Perry acquired the necessary training to serve in this capacity as well.

i) Report from EPCOR on recent events and activities concerning Vista Ridge Pipeline and Permits

Stefan Schuster of EPCOR will provide an update and answer questions at this time.

i) Request for extension of time for Groundwater Conservation Grants awarded:

1. Clay WSC

2. Cade Lakes WSC
3. City of Thorndale
4. Deanville WSC
5. Marlow WSC
6. Burlison County MUD #1

All of these requests are in your Board Packet and while two are from 2021, all are still showing progress. I recommend approval of each of the requests.

- j) Report from staff concerning progress on work on new POSGCD offices, education and meeting center
We have just today received the necessary information to have our next Building Committee meeting so they may evaluate and finalize the necessary documents to begin the next part of our process. However, we can put several pieces of information in your Board Packet for your review. I will endeavor to respond to any questions you may present at this time.
 - k) Move December meeting to December 5, 2023 for Board and Staff Christmas gathering
Since this will not be a regular meeting we are hoping this move might spread out holiday commitments for all.
7. Dates, locations, and times of future meetings
November 14, 2023, 5:30 pm
 8. Adjourn Board Meeting