



**Board Meeting**  
**April 23, 2024 – 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 April 23 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 April 23, 2024, 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/POSGCD/board-meeting>

*You may also dial in for audio only using your phone at:*

United States: +1 (224) 501-3412

Access Code: 453-007-493

*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](mailto:gwestbrook@posgcd.org) by 3:00 pm, April 23, 2024. 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.*

*If any of our Board Members would like to discuss any of these items separate and apart from the Consent Agenda staff is prepared to do so.*

- a) Minutes of February 13, 2024 Board Meeting
- b) Update on Aquifer Conservancy Program (ACP) enrollments
- c) Water Well Monitoring Update: Number of wells and frequency of measurements, and wells plugged
- d) Water Well Drilling activities: applications filed, registrations issued, and inspections performed  
*This is a new stand alone report that previously was listed under the report from the General Manager below. Moving forward this report will be provided in a separate document.*
- e) Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken
- f) Report on property inspections received under Interlocal Agreement with Milam and Burleson Counties
- g) Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report
- h) Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities
- i) 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  
*As of this agenda there are no applications requiring hearings. There have been no Emergency Permits issued.*

2. Recent and future District presentations and activities

a. Brazos G Regional Water Planning Group Groundwater Committee meeting of March 27, 2024

**Information discussed at this meeting is available at [www.brazosgwater.org](http://www.brazosgwater.org)**

b. Participation in Workshop with Burleson County Commissioners concerning platting subdivisions and groundwater availability studies of March 25, 2024.

**Greg, Michael, and I participated in this workshop where we answered questions and provided comment on the District's preparations to fulfil our role in providing evaluations of groundwater availability for both of our counties under SB2440 passed last year which became law January 1, 2024. We have developed draft documents which will be finalized following additional meetings with both counties.**

c. Texas Environmental Law Enforcement Association Conference for CEUs Licensing of April 23-26, 2024

**Michael will be in attendance at this conference to maintain his current licenses for his position.**

d. Texas A&M AgriLife Burleson County Ag and Health Safety Day of May 8, 2024

**We will be a sponsor and have a presence for this event at the Burleson County Fairgrounds.**

e. American Groundwater Trust Texas Groundwater Conference of June 11-12, 2024

**Steve Young will provide a presentation on the Operational Model we are developing with the grant we received from the Bureau of Reclamation at 9:30 am, and I have been asked to present on our Aquifer Conservancy Program in a panel discussion on water marketing at 10:30 am. Additional information can be found at [https://agwt.org/sites/default/files/2024\\_tx\\_gw\\_conference\\_program\\_2.pdf](https://agwt.org/sites/default/files/2024_tx_gw_conference_program_2.pdf)**

f. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts Groundwater Summit of August 20-22, 2024 and Sponsorship of Video/Livestream

**This is a reminder to advise staff if you can attend this important conference so we can register you.**

**We will once again be one of the sponsors. Additional information may be found at**

**<https://texasgroundwater.org/news-events/events/texas-groundwater-summit/>**

g. Grant Application filed with Texas Water Development Board for 2024 Agricultural Water Conservation Grant

**We have filed an application for matching funds from TWDB in support of our irrigation efficiency work in coordination with Texas A&M AgriLife. Please see the summary of the application in your packets.**

h. Milam and Burleson Counties Groundwater Summit of July 18, 2024

**This is a "save the date" for everyone for our Summit. We are moving from August to July due to several potential conflicts and availability of the civic center.**

**6. Regular Agenda**

a) Report from EPCOR on recent events and activities concerning Vista Ridge Pipeline and permit applications to reduce production from Carrizo aquifer and increase production in Simsboro aquifer

**Stefan Schuster will be present to give a full update on these items.**

b) Update from Robert Miller on activities involving 4-H Water Ambassadors

**Robert has been in this program throughout his four years in high school and will give a presentation.**

c) Discussion and possible action on new tool to review monitoring information

**We will receive a full presentation on this item for your consideration from staff and WellNtel.**

d) Responsibilities of District Committees

**Please review the document in your packet and provide any comments or discussion.**

e) Purchase of new downhole camera and sale of current downhole camera

**Please see the draft estimate for the purchase of a new camera with improved capabilities and additional depth. Lost Pines GCD has also expressed an interest in purchasing our current camera.**

f) Purchase, sale, and trade of District vehicles

**Two of our vehicles are well in excess of 100,000 miles and we have acquired estimates for purchases of replacement of those vehicles as well as trade in values for our existing vehicles. The two vehicles are the Ford F-150 and the white Chevrolet. You will find a spreadsheet in your packet which provides these amounts for your consideration. We are able to either trade our current vehicles or to auction them off.**

g) Review of District Programs

**Please see the attached list of District Programs managed by our staff. We will review and discuss each.**

h) Improvements to District building, property, and parking space at 310 E. Avenue C, Milano, Texas

**We will review recent changes and possible work to be performed. This possible work will include whether to pave our parking area, purchase of an additional storage building, and upgrade/improvements to visual aids for our meeting room. Please see estimates for upgrading the size of the current screens, as well as the**

*possibility of adding 5 screens to the Board dais. The estimate for the screens is in your packet and includes several options.*

*One option is replacement of the 70 inch screen at the back of the room with an 85 inch screen and moving that screen to the wall behind the Board for the public to see. That information is listed in yellow. This option would also be beneficial to us in our education classes we host as that screen at the back of the room is the one we use during those presentations.*

*Another option is replacement of the 70 inch screen at the back of the room with four 50 inch screens which would function as one large screen while moving that 70 screen to the wall behind the Board for the public to see. That information is listed in green. This option would also be useful in our education classes.*

*Finally, another option would be to leave the current screens in place and add five 24 inch screens to the Board dais, with one screen shared between two Board members. While that option may save money on screens it will add expenses to some of the wiring and hardware to implement. The cost for this option is approximately \$800-900.*

*The estimate for paving the parking area is \$60,000 and would require us to publish requests bids.*

*The estimate for a storage building nearly identical to our current building is approximately \$8900.*

i) Discussion of District current and future staffing

*Please review the organizational charts included in your packet. Based on previous work by the Advisory Committee, as well as recent review by that committee, this is our best projection of staff needed to implement our current programs for our citizens.*

j) Discussion of District Budget

*Please find the 2024 Budget in your packet. We will discuss possible future amendments. While we need not make all amendments now, this will provide an opportunity for discussion as we move forward.*

k) Texas Water Conservation Association Interim Legislative Committee Meetings of March 20, 2024

*Please find a list of topics discussed at this meeting in your packet. As you can see, there were quite a few important topics discussed. This is the first of several meetings of this committee which is the committee most likely to forward draft ideas and legislation to the legislature for consideration next session. Michael, myself and Robby Cook were all in attendance at this meeting. I will be prepared to discuss any of these items.*

l) Recent paper published in Texas Water Journal- "Case Study of Groundwater Management Issues at the Forefront of Large Scale Production from a Confined Aquifer: The Vista Ridge Project"

*This is the paper Jaclyn sent out to you March 19. Steve Young asked for feedback from any of you.*

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

1. Deanville WSC
2. City of Thorndale
3. Clay WSC
4. Marlow WSC

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Pursuant to Section 551.071 and 551.072, Texas Government Code, the Board of Directors only will consider receiving legal advice on the following matters:
  - a. Pending SOAH Docket Nos. 965-23-21218 and 965-23-21219, Application of SLR Property I, LP for a new 9,000 acre-foot per year Simsboro and Hooper Drilling and Operating Permit and Application of SLR Property I, LP for a new 15,000 acre-foot per year Simsboro Operating Permit- Discussions with the Board only.  
*With the SOAH hearings held last week, President Roddam has asked Kristen Fancher to attend and provide an update to the Board.*
  - b. District Staffing and Salaries  
*As has been requested, this is an opportunity to review and discuss current staffing and salaries. Comparisons to salaries of other GCDs across the state will also be available for your consideration.*
9. **RECONVENE FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:** Take action on matters discussed in Executive Session:
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  - b. District Staffing and Salaries
9. Dates, locations, and times of future meetings
10. Adjourn Board Meeting