

**MINUTES OF  
September 11, 2015  
BOARD MEETING  
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER  
CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session on Friday, September 11, 2015 immediately following the 9:00 a.m. hearing on permit applications in the District office located at 225 S. Pierce Street, Suite 104, Burnet, Texas.

The following persons were present:

**Members Present**

Bill Felps, President     Steve Henderson, Vice President     Dan Brady, Secretary/Treasurer  
Bill Luedecke, Director     Wayne Brown, Director

**Staff and/or Consultants Present**

Charles Shell, General Manager     Mitchell Sodek, Hydrologist  
Donnita Coats, Admin. Assistant     Timothy L. Brown, Legal Counsel

**Others present**

8 Members of the Public

President Felps established a quorum through a roll call of Directors; declared a quorum present; and called the Meeting to order at 10:16 a.m.

President Felps then asked for public comment. There was no public comment.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held August 21, 2015.

Dan Brady moved to:

Approve the Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held August 21, 2015.

Second was by Bill Luedecke.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for August 2015; Review of 2014-2015 Budget; and Consideration and/or action on Budget Line Item Adjustments.

Bill Luedecke moved to:

Approve the Expenditures for August 2015.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on TML Multistate IEBP Insurance ReRates. General Manager Shell presented the Plan Year 2015-2016 ReRate Sheets from TML Multistate IEBP.

Wayne Brown moved to:

Approve the TML Multistate IEBP Insurance ReRates for Plan Year 2015-2016 as presented.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Board Members being considered employees of the District.

General Manager Shell and Legal Counsel Brown discussed current protections offered to Board Members as employees of the District and new Legislation offering protection from liability for Board Members.

Bill Luedecke moved to:

Keep the current status of Board Members being employees of the District.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on personnel matters including salaries and benefits of employees for the 2015 – 2016 Fiscal Year. President Felps stated that the Board would go into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters. The Board went into Executive Session at 10:20 a.m. and returned to Regular Session at 10:30 a.m. No action was taken as a result of the Executive Session.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on a Proposed FY 2015-2016 Budget for the District. General Manager Shell reviewed the proposed 2015-2016 Budget that was created as a result of discussions at the August 21, 2015 Regular Board Meeting with two revisions made by Staff.

Wayne Brown moved to:

Adopt the Proposed FY 2015-2016 Budget, as presented, as the FY 2015-2016 Budget of the District.

Second was by Steve Henderson.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on the 2015 Proposed Tax Rate. General Manager Shell informed the Board that the effective tax rate for 2015 was .0091/\$100 for a total tax of \$451,590.00, which would increase revenue by \$3258.00 compared to 2014.

Dan Brady moved to:

Approve a Minute Order adopting a Tax Rate for the Year 2015. Pursuant to Chapter 8810, Texas Special District Local Laws Code, the District hereby adopts a 2015 Tax Rate of 0.0091/\$100 value. THIS TAX RATE WILL RAISE MORE TAXES FOR MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS THAN LAST YEAR'S TAX RATE.

Second was by Bill Luedecke.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on GMA 8 Model Runs 5 & 6 and additional Model Runs as needed. Hydrologist Sodek gave a presentation reviewing revised pumping numbers for Model Run 5 and discussed pumping and drawdown data for each decade out to 2070 for Model Runs 5 & 6.”

The Board had lengthy discussions concerning the socioeconomic and property rights concerns of setting various DFC's. The discussion covered from the most conservative levels to the greatest levels of decline in the Aquifers, and the possible ramifications of each DFC.

Materials were provided to the Board and members of the public outlining various scenarios of the socioeconomic and property rights effects of the various pumping levels.

More Discussions will be held at future meetings concerning the DFC's and their impacts on the citizens of the District.

President Felps then asked for discussion and a presentation of Mitchell Sodek’s graduate capstone project-web mapping aquifer tool. Hydrologist Sodek gave a presentation showing the details of the Project he plans to complete in January of 2016 and present in March of 2016 to meet requirements for graduation from the Masters Program at Penn State University. He plans to implement the web mapping aquifer tool for use by the District.

President Felps then asked for consideration and/or action on Determination of the Drought Stage. Hydrologist Sodek informed the Board that aquifer levels are down slightly but not substantially and he recommended to the Board that we remain in the Stage 1 – Near Normal Drought Stage.

President Felps then called on the General Manager for the General Manager and/or Staff Report.

a. Monthly Report of Well Registrations & Permitting Activity

	Total as of August 20, 2015	Total as of September 10, 2015
Well Registrations	3948	3948
Well Drilling Authorizations	962	968
Permit Applications Received	152	152

<u>Permit Applications by Use</u>		<u>Issued</u>	<u>Denied</u>	<u>Pending</u>
Commercial	16	15	0	1
Domestic, Livestock & Poultry	56	56	0	0
Industrial	10	8	0	2
Irrigation	26	23	0	3
<u>Public Water Supply</u>	<u>44</u>	<u>42</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	152	144	1	7

<u>Permit Applications by Precinct</u>	
Precinct 1	70
Precinct 2	32
Precinct 3	26
Precinct 4	23
<u>Precincts 1,2,&amp;3</u>	<u>1</u>
Total	152

President Felps then called for any Director comments.

Wayne Brown asked General Manager Shell about the Leonard Channel Dam. General Manager Shell informed the Board that the dam would be on the October 14<sup>th</sup> Region K Meeting Agenda.

Tim Brown saw several impediments to the TCEQ granting the need permits for construction to proceed.

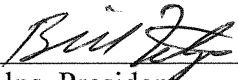
The Board did not support the dam proposal.


President Felps then called for agenda items for the next Regular Board Meeting.

President Felps stated that Directors could contact the General Manager or Board President prior to the deadline for posting notice of the next meeting if they have a suggested agenda item.

President Felps then set the date for the next regular board meeting for, Friday, October 16, 2015 immediately following a 9:00 a.m. permit hearing at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Felps adjourned the meeting at 11:44 a.m.

  
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Bill Felps, President

  
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Dan Brady, Secretary/Treasurer