

MINUTES OF
April 19, 2024
BOARD MEETING
CENTRAL TEXAS GROUNDWATER
CONSERVATION DISTRICT

The Board of Directors of the Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District held a Permit Hearing and Regular Board Meeting on Friday, April 19, 2024 at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Suite 104, Burnet, Texas.

Members Present: Ryan Rowney, President Ricky Bindseil, Vice-President
Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer Homer Will, Director Paul King, Director
Staff and/or Consultants Present: Mitchell Sodek, General Manager Shrader Davis, Groundwater
Technician Donnita Coats, Office Manager Tracy Swantner, Office Manager
Bill Dugat, District Legal Counsel
Others Present: 8 Members of the Public

President Rowney declared a quorum present and called the Meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

President Rowney then called for the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance to the Flags.

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

President Rowney then called the Permit Hearing to order at 9:03 am. He asked for the General Manager's recommendation on Permit Application OP-24040101 – Texas Materials Group, Inc. The permit Application has been determined to be administratively complete and is in accordance with District Rules.

General Manager Sodek presented details of the permit request and gave the board his recommendation to approve the permit for 270 acre feet.

President Rowney then opened the hearing for public comment on the Permit Application. One member of the public inquired on whether a hydrogeologic study was completed. General Manager Sodek answered that no hydrogeologic study was required. Another member of the public commented that his understanding of contamination of quarry pits is that there is very little, mostly dust and soil that settles.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on Permit Application OP-24040101.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:
Approve Operating Permit OP-24040101 – Texas Materials Group, Inc. as presented by the General
Manager
Second was by Ricky Bindseil. Vote on the motion carried.

President Rowney adjourned the permit hearing and resumed the regular meeting at 9:20 a.m.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on Safe Deposit Box Authorization.

Ricky Bindseil moved to:

Remove Donnita Coats from current Safe Deposit Box authorizations and authorize General Manager, Mitchell Sodek and Office Manager, Tracy Swantner to transfer funds from the District Checking account to automatically renew the safe deposit box annually; to authorize General Manager Mitchell Sodek and Office Manager Tracy Swantner to have possession of the keys to the box; and to authorize General Manager Mitchell Sodek, Office Manager Tracy Swantner, and the Secretary/Treasurer of the Board to be the persons authorized to access the safe deposit box on behalf of the District until such time that the Board notifies the bank otherwise.

Second was by Paul King.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on Appointment of Election officer for the District.

Ryan Rowney moved to:

Appoint Tracy Swantner, Office Manager, as the election officer for the District, replacing former election officer, Donnita Coats.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on USDA-NRCS Cedar Removal Program- Bubba VanZandt.

General Manager Sodek advised that this item will need to be postponed due to a scheduling conflict.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on Determination of Drought Stage. General Manager Sodek reviewed the Palmer Hydrological Drought Index and reported that there was no change in drought status. He then reviewed current El Nino patterns as compared to past El Nino patterns and noted that the Hill Country received less rain than in previous El Nino weather patterns. He then reviewed data from monitor wells and noted only a slight increase in water levels with no major recovery. He recommended no change from the Stage 4 Critical Drought Stage. No action was taken.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 23, 2024.

Kathy Griffis-Bailey moved to:

Approve the minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on March 27, 2024.

Second was by Ricky Bindseil.

Vote on the motion carried.

President Rowney then asked for consideration and/or action on Expenditures for March 2024; Budget Line-Item Adjustments; Review of 2023-2024 Budget, and Quarterly Report on Investments. General Manager Sodek reviewed the financial statements and there were no adjustments.

A Quarterly Report on the Investment Position of the District for the quarter ending March 31, 2024, was provided by Public Funds Investment Officers, Mitchell Sodek and Donnita Coats, in accordance with Section IV of the Public Funds Investment Policy of the District.

Ricky Bindseil moved to:

Approve the Expenditures for March 2024.

Second was by Paul King.

Vote on the motion carried.

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

- a. Well Registrations & Permitting
Well Applications have been down since November. Slight increase in applications in March to 36, averaging about 18 per month.
- b. Household Hazardous BOPATE Waste Event
There will be a BOPATE event on April 20, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at 2411 FM 963, Burnet, TX 78611. Event Flyers can be picked up at the District office or downloaded from the District Website.
- c. Region K and GMA 8
Reviewed information from Region K Meeting on March 17, 2024.
GMA 8 meeting will be May 15, 2024, in Cleburne, Tx.
- d. 4-H Water Ambassador Program Application Period
Discussed upcoming May 1, 2024, deadline for applications.
- e. Database Work Order
General Manager Sodek reviewed the work order for required changes due to recent District Rule changes. He also reviewed the mockup work order and online pump installation report form.

President Rowney then called for Acknowledgement and Appreciation of Retirement for Office Manager Donnia Coats.

General Manager Sodek presented Donnita with a plaque and expressed gratitude for the work she has done for the district.

President Rowney then called for Director Comments. There were no director comments.

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

Database work order for development of online pump report

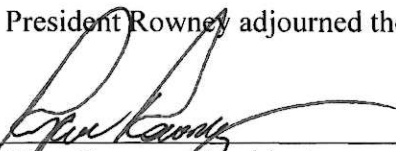
Permit Hearings

USDA Cedar Removal

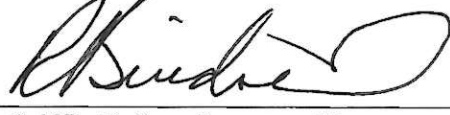
Directors may contact the General Manager or Board President prior to the deadline for posting notice of the next meeting if they have a suggested agenda item.

President Rowney then set the date for the next Regular Board Meeting for May 23, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office located at 225 S. Pierce, Burnet, Texas.

President Rowney adjourned the regular meeting at 10:07a.m.



Ryan Rowney, President



~~Kathy Griffis-Bailey, Secretary/Treasurer~~
Ricky Bindseil - Vice President