

MINUTES
Coastal Plains Groundwater Conservation District
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
March 28th, 2024
8:00 a.m.

MEMBERS OF THE BOARD PRESENT: Deedy Huffman, Billy Mann, Craig Kucera, and Herff Cornelius

STAFF PRESENT: Neil Hudgins, General Manager, Sandra Horris

Guest: David Mick, David Burns

PRESIDING: Deedy Huffman

1. Director Deedy Huffman called the meeting to order at 8:03 a.m., at the Matagorda County Office Building, 4th Floor Conference room

Public Comments

2. Neil opened the floor for Public Comments
 - 2.1 None.

Review and Approve Minutes from the March 28th, 2024 Public Hearing and Board of Directors meeting

3. Craig Kucera made a Motion to accept minutes as written; it was seconded by Herff Cornelius. Deedy Huffman put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously.

Manager's Report

4. a. The Financial Report stated that the current year's budget, which started October 1st, 2023 was at 48.2% of the budget used, check registers balance \$474,375.66, the list of bills paid from March 29th, 2024 through May 21st, 2024 and the investment report was presented.
 - 4.1 Billy Mann made a Motion to approval the financial as presented; it was seconded by Herff Cornelius. Deedy Huffman put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously.
- b. Texas Drought Report was presented by Neil Hudgins for review.

- c. Mr. Hudgins presented the board with a copy of the Well Monitoring report, indicating some wells are still down but recovering.
- d. Mr. Hudgins presented the board with a copy of the 2023 Water Usage Report
- e. Upcoming meetings: TAGD

Review and Approve Driller Permit Application

5. Herff Cornelius made a motion to approve the applications as presented in the Public Hearing; it was seconded by Craig Kucera. Deedy Huffman put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously.

Review and Approve Prohibited Technology Policy

6. Herff Cornelius made a motion to approve the Prohibited Technology Policy as presented; it was seconded by Craig Kucera. Deedy Huffman put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously.

Review and Discuss Proposed 2024-25 Budget

7. Neil Hudgins present a copy of the preliminary budget for review.

Review and Discuss article for the newspaper concerning open groundwater wells

8. Sandra Horris informed the Board she had been notified by Mr. Owens concerning open wells in Matagorda County. It was discussed that we would include information about open well in our Drought Article for the newspaper.

Executive Session, as allowed under Section 551.01 of the Texas Open Meeting Act Government Code, specifically Section 551.074, Revised Statutes of Texas to discuss appointment, employment, evaluations, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of personnel. (Staff Performance)

9. Executive Session at 8:26

Reconvene for Executive Session and take possible action (Possible Action)

10. Herff Cornelius made a motion to give Sandra Horris a 6% raise; it was seconded by Craig Kucera. Deedy Huffman put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously.

Other Business

11. None

Public Comments/Announcements

12. None

Date/Time/Place for next meeting.

8. To be announced

Adjournment

9. Billy Mann made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:41 am; it was seconded by Herff Cornelius. Deedy Huffman put the question and, after the vote, announced the motion carried unanimously