

MINUTES
BRAZOS VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
112 West Third Street
Hearne, TX 77859

Revised

Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting
Thursday, June 2, 2011 at 3:00 p.m.

1. Call meeting to order.

Board Chairman Pete Brien called the meeting to order at 3:00 p.m.

Directors presented:	Pete Brien,	Chairman
	John Hicks,	Treasurer
	Steve Beachy,	Secretary
	David Stratta,	Director
	Wayne Wilson,	Director

Directors absent:	Tom McDonald,	Vice Chairman
	Bryan F. Russ, Jr.	Director
	Kent Watson,	Director

Staff present:	Ralph Crum,	General Manager
	Cynthia Lopez,	Office Manager
	Carlton Smith	Field Technician
	Monique Norman,	Attorney

2. Pledge of Allegiance

3. Discussion and possible action on the Minutes from the May 5, 2011 Public Hearing and Regular Board Meeting. **A motion was made by John Hicks, second by Wayne Wilson, to approve the Minutes from the May 5, 2011 Public Hearing and Regular Board meeting as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

4. Review and authorization of payments made for services rendered during the month of May 5, 2011. **A motion was made by John Hicks, second by Steve Beachy, to approve the expenses for the month of May 2011 as presented. The motion carried unanimously.**

5. Discussion and possible action on the following
Drilling/Operating Permit Applications:

A. One (1) new well for Dale Carpenter. The well will be located on Dunns Fort Road, Hearne, TX., for a total of 117 acre/feet per year for Hayfield Irrigation on a 200 acre tract. The well will produce from the Sparta Aquifer. **A motion was made by David Stratta, second by Wayne Wilson, to approve the Drilling/Operating permit application as presented for Dale Carpenter, with an increase to 200 gpm verses the 100 gpm on the application. The motion carried unanimously.**

B. One (1) new well for Steven Hoang. The well will be located at 2916 Old Boone Prairie Road, Franklin, TX., for a total of 28 acre/feet per year for Poultry Houses. The well will produce from the Calvert Bluff Aquifer. **A motion was made by John Hicks, second by Steve Beachy, to approve the Drilling/Operating permit application as presented for Steven Hoang. The motion carried unanimously.**

- C. One (1) new well for Carl Cotropia. The well will be located East of the Brazos River and West of Cotropia Road on Hwy 79, Hearne, TX., for a total of 100 acre/feet per year for Hayfield Irrigation on a 50 tract. The well will produce from the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer. **A motion was made by John Hicks, second by Wayne Wilson, to approve the Drilling/Operating permit application as presented for Carl Cotropia. The motion carried unanimously.**
- D. One (1) new well for Pete Brien. The well will be located on Dunns Fort Road, Hearne, TX., for a total of 70 acre/feet per year for Hayfield Irrigation on a 300 acre tract. The well will produce from the Sparta Aquifer. **A motion was made by Wayne Wilson, second by John Hicks, to approve the Drilling/Operating permit application for Pete Brien, with a change requested by Mr. Brien to reduce the gpm from 300 to 250 gpm. The motion carried with Directors Brien and Stratta recusing themselves from voting on this application. The motion carried unanimously.**
6. Discussion and possible action on the following
Operating Permit Applications:
- E. One (1) existing well for Optim Energy, (Twin Oaks Power Plant). The well is located at 13065 Plan Road, Bremond, TX., No additional water production is requested, and the production is requested to be aggregated with Optim Energy's existing permits. The well will be used for a backup potable/industrial supply. The well produces from the Simsboro Aquifer. **The Operating permit application for Optim Energy was pulled from this agenda, and will be placed on the agenda for the August Board meeting. The application was pulled because it was determined that the well screens the Hooper Aquifer, and not the Simsboro as originally thought.**
- F. One (1) existing well for Running Creek RV Park. The well is located at 2435 FM 1644 West, Franklin, TX., for a total of 8 acre/feet per year the well provides water for an RV Park. The well produces from the Calvert Bluff Aquifer. **A motion was made by Wayne Wilson, second by Steve Beachy, to approve the Operating permit application as presented for Running Creek RV Park. The motion carried unanimously.**
- G. Two (2) existing wells for Encana Oil & Gas. The wells are located in Robertson County on DeZavala Road, off of Hwy 79, Franklin, TX., for a total of 500 acre/feet per year for Industrial use. The wells produce from the Queen City Aquifer. **A motion was made by John Hicks, second by Wayne Wilson, to approve the Operating permit for Encana Oil & Gas with a change to reduce the acre feet per year from 500 as originally requested to 250 acre/feet per year, and to aggregate production of the wells. The motion carried unanimously.**
7. Discussion and possible action on the following
Historic Use Operating Permit Amendment:
- H. One (1) existing well for Sanderson Farms Inc. The well is located at 7214 East Hwy 79, Franklin, TX., for a requested increase in production of 32.05 acre/feet per year for Industrial use. The well produces from the Carrizo Aquifer. **A motion by Wayne Wilson, second by John Hicks, to approve the Operating permit application for Sanderson Farms Inc. This additional production was granted as "Operating", and will not have Historic Use protection. The motion carried unanimously.**
8. Discussion and possible action on providing a letter of support from the District for Gary Westbrook, General Manager of the Post Oak Savannah Ground Water Conservation District, for appointment to the Board of the Region G Water Planning Group. **No action was taken on this agenda item #8**

9. Discussion and possible action on establishing a District investment policy. **A motion by John Hicks, second by Wayne Wilson, to approve the District Investment policy as presented as a stand alone document. The motion carried unanimously.**

10. General Managers Report

- Financial Reports
- Palmer Drought Index Status and Map
- Number of Wells Monitored in December
- Number of Exempt well applications received in December

General Manager Ralph Crum presented the Board with the financial reports for the month of May 2011, the current PDSI status, number of wells monitored and the number of exempt well applications received during the month of May 2011.

11. Legal Report

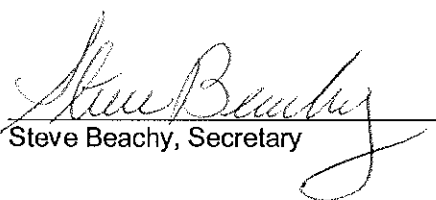
- Briefing on Texas legislation that effects the Brazos Valley GCD and groundwater districts in general and related information such as State recommendations and legislative relations.

Ms. Norman updated the Board on the latest information coming out of Austin in regarding legislation that might, and or will impact GCD's. As a result, the Management Plan Committee will plan a future meeting to further discuss.

12. Hear Visitors

Adjourn at 4:02 p.m.

Signed this 7th, day of July, 2011


Steve Beachy, Secretary

The Board of Directors may meet in closed session, pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code §§ 551.071-551.076, to:

- (1) consult with attorney;
- (2) deliberate regarding the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the District in negotiations with a third person;
- (3) deliberate a negotiated contract for a prospective gift or donation to the District if deliberation in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the position of the District in negotiations with a third person;
- (4) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a Board member or District employee
- (5) to receive information from employees or question employees, but not deliberate public business or agency policy that affects public business; and
- (6) to deliberate the deployment or specific occasions for implementation of security personnel or devices.

The Board may also meet in open session on these matters as required by the Texas Open Meetings Act, Texas Government Code § 551.102.

** Agenda items may be taken out of order at the discretion of the Board Chairman