

MINUTES
EVERGREEN UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MAY 26, 2022- REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING

The public meeting of the Board of Directors of the Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District, pursuant to notice, at the District Office, 110 Wyoming Blvd., Pleasanton, Atascosa County, Texas.

Directors Present: Blaine Schorp, President
Frank Kruciak, Vice President
Diane Savage, Secretary/Treasurer
Larry Bartek
Clayton Neal
Thomas Moy II
Weldon Riggs
Jay Troell
Sherman Posey

Employees Present: Russell Labus, General Manager
Melissa Gonzalez, Secretary
Christopher McFarlane, Assistant Manager
Landon Yosko, Technical Specialist

Guests Present: Attached.

Agenda: Attached.

Declaration of Quorum and Call to Order:

President Schorp declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 9:10 a.m. The meeting was posted and filed as required by law.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Award Presentation for the Kenneth Stephens Memorial Scholarship Program:

- #1- Sydney R. Wiatrek- Falls City High School
- #2- JD Sartwelle IV- Falls City High School (present)
- #3- David "Trey" Saenz III- Falls City High School (present)

Recess to Public Hearing

Public Hearing- Water Well Drilling and Production Permit Applications

a. Call to Order:

President Schorp called the Public Hearing to order at 9:14 a.m.

b. Public Comments:

None.

c. Drilling/Production Permits:

The Board was presented with one drilling and production permit application for Keith Fewell (Drilling/Production Permit #3007) for a new well to be located in Frio County for Irrigation use. Director Savage moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Kruciak seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

The Board was presented with two drilling and production permit applications for Johnny Latka (Drilling/Production Permits #3011 & #3012) for new wells to be located in Karnes County for Irrigation use. Director Neal moved to approve the two drilling and production permits. Director Posey seconded the motion, Director Moy abstained, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

d. Permits on Existing Wells:

The Board was presented with three production permits for Ensign Operation LLC (Production Permits #3004, #3005, #3006) for existing wells located in Karnes County for Industrial use. Director Bartek moved to approve the three production permits. Director Savage seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

e. Adjourn

President Schorp called the Public Hearing adjourned at 9:28 a.m.

Reconvene to Regular Meeting

Public Comments on Agenda Items, Limited to 5 minutes each:

None.

Approval of Minutes from the April 29, 2022 Board of Directors Meetings:

The minutes of the April 29, 2022 were presented to the board. Director Moy moved to approve the minutes as presented. Director Riggs seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Report of Bills Paid, Deposits, and Financial Statements for April 2022:

The report of bills paid, deposits, and financial statements for March were presented to the Board. Director Savage moved to receive and file the reports. Director Troell seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Approve Sponsorship for the Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Program:

Director Troell moved to sponsor the Texas 4-H Ambassador Program at the Signature Level for the amount of \$5,000.00. Director Moy seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Discussion on the Sale of Evergreen Water Storage Tanks:

Director Posey moved to delegate authority to General Manager, Russell Labus, to sell or dispose of the storage tanks. Director Neal seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Staff Report on District Activities:

Meetings:

- May 5, 2022- Region L Meeting
- May 17 & 18, 2022- TAGD Quarterly Business Meeting
- May 23, 2022- TWDB Stakeholder Meeting
- May 24, 2022- Truth in Taxation Meeting- Wilson County
- June 29, 2022- STWMA Meeting

Russell Labus mentioned that there were eight exempt well registrations for the month of May. Mr. Labus went over the Drought Map and the estimated taxable values spreadsheet that he provided to the board. Mr. Labus introduced Scott Norman and Senator Flores who were present. Senator Flores thanked the Evergreen for what we do and said he looks forward to working with the Evergreen in the future. Mr. Labus informed the board that that Evergreen has been chosen as a recipient for the FY22 TWDB Agricultural Water Conservation Grant for the amount of \$50,000.00.

Landon Yosko said that the first monitor well on Old Devine Road has been completed and a pump test has been done and the information will be sent to our consultant for review.

Director Riggs mentioned that Region L is looking for two representatives and if we happen to know anyone who would like to serve.

Legislative Updates:

Issued interim report.

Public Comments on Other District Business, Limited to 5 minutes each:

None.

Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Items to be Placed on the Next Agenda:

- DFC Approval
- Discussion on Hiring a Field Technician

Set Date and Time for Next Board of Directors Meeting:


The Board agreed to set the next meeting date for Thursday, June 30, 2022, at 9 a.m. at the District Office in Pleasanton, TX 78064.

Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Schorp declared the meeting adjourned at 10:23 a.m.


Blaine Schorp, President

ATTEST:


Diane Savage, Secretary/Treasurer