

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

The public meeting of the Board of Directors of the Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District, pursuant to notice, was 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
Jay Troell
Sherman Posey
Clayton Neal
Weldon Riggs
Thomas Moy III

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

Guests Present: Attached.

Agenda: Attached.

Declaration of Quorum and Call to Order:

President Schorp declared a quorum present by roll call and called the meeting to order at 9:03 a.m. The meeting was posted and filed as required by law.

Pledge of Allegiance.

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 9:03 a.m.

b. Public Comments:

None.

c. Drilling/Production Permit Applications:

The Board was presented with one drilling and production permit application for Miller Family Estate Trust (Drilling/Production Permit#3041) for new well to be located in Karnes County for Irrigation use. Director Savage moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Posey seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

d. Permit Amendments:

The Board was presented with a permit amendment for 79 Cattle Co. (Production Permit #2974) for a well located in Atascosa County for Irrigation use. The total acreage of the property is 837. The well produces from the Carrizo Aquifer at a proposed depth of 1,250 ft. The capacity of the well is 1200 GPM. Total maximum annual production from the well will be 557.37 acre feet based on 2 acre feet capacity of well and will be 3rd well on property.

e. Adjourn:

President Schorp called the Public Hearing adjourned at 9:08 a.m.

Reconvene to Regular Meeting

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

None.

Approval of Minutes from the September 23, 2022 Board of Directors Meetings:

The minutes of the September 23, 2022 meeting were presented to the board. Director Riggs moved to approve the minutes as presented. Director Posey seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

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

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

Education Committee Update:

Landon Yosko said there was discussion of other options other than the Nueces River Authority for education services. Director Riggs suggested getting with Education Region 20. Director Riggs said he has spoken to a representative from there and they have expressed interest in working with the district for youth and adult education. Director Bartek suggested that maybe down the road we can invest in our own educational trailer that we can show at the county stock shows and other events.

Staff Report on District Activities:

General Manager, Russell Labus gave a list of meetings attended this month and upcoming meetings:

- October 13, 2022- GMA 15 Meeting
- October 14, 2022- GMA 13 Meeting
- November 3, 2022- Region L Meeting

Mr. Labus showed the board the plaque the district received from the Texas 4H Ambassadors Program for our sponsorship. Mr. Labus gave the board a copy of the first progress report to the Texas Water Development Board for the Ag Conservation Grant as well as a copy of the postcard made by McCrometer for the public to apply for a meter through the program. Mr. Labus said he still plans on putting the meter grant notice in all four county newspapers once the funds are available. Mr. Labus gave a cargo trailer update and said that the water sample pump has been set in the cargo trailer. Mr. Labus mentioned that maybe at the next meeting we will have a video demonstrating how the sample pump and downhole camera are used out in the field. Mr. Labus informed the board that a new truck has been purchased from the Ford dealership here in Pleasanton. Mr. Labus stated that Melissa Gonzalez processed 2 exempt wells and reviewed the Drought Monitor Map.

Landon Yosko said that he is in the process of looking at monitor well locations in Wilson County. Mr. Yosko mentioned that he spoke with Andrew Weinberg with Texas Water Development Board, and he is looking for a monitor well in Frio and Wilson County to put a transducer in and if we know any landowners who have a well that is not being used to let him know.

Legislative Updates:

None.

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

- Appoint Scholarship Committee and Choose Scholarship Essay Question

Set Date and Time for Next Board of Directors Meeting:

The Board agreed to set the next meeting date for Wednesday, November 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 9:52 a.m.



Blaine Schorp, President

ATTEST:


Diane Savage, Secretary/Treasurer