

MINUTES
EVERGREEN UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
SEPTEMBER 28, 2018 – REGULARLY SCHEDULED BOARD
MEETING

The 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
Clifton Stacy
Larry Fox
Jay Troell
Thomas Moy III
Sherman Posey

Directors Absent: Jason Peeler

Employees Present: Russell Labus, General Manager
Christopher McFarlane, Assistant Manager
Melissa Gonzalez, District Secretary/Bookkeeper
Matthew Pope, Field Technician

Employees Absent: 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 9:02 a.m. The meeting was posted and filed as required by law.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Recess to Public Hearings

Public Hearing- Proposed 2018-2019 District Budget

a. Call to Order

President Schorp called the Public Hearing to Order at 9:02 a.m.

b. Receive Public Comments on Proposed 2018-2019 District Budget

None.

c. Adjourn

President Schorp declared the Public Hearing adjourned at 9:05 a.m.

Public Hearing- Water Well Drilling and Production Permit Applications

a. Call to Order

President Schorp called the Public Hearing to order at 9:05 a.m.

b. Public Comments:

None.

c. Drilling/Production Permit Applications:

The Board was presented with one drilling and production permit application for Manley Bros. (Drilling/Production Permit#2624) for new well to be located in Wilson County. Director Savage moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Stacy seconded the motion, Director Moy abstained, and there being no further discussion the motion carried.

The Board was presented with one drilling and production permit application for Gilbert and Daniel Salinas (Drilling/Production Permit#2648) for new well to be located in Atascosa County. Director Troell moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Fox seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

The Board was presented with one drilling and production permit application for Mark Leffler (Drilling/Production Permit#2649) for new well to be located in Frio County. Director Stacy moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Savage seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

The Board was presented with one drilling and production permit application for Robert Meyers (Drilling/Production Permit#2650) for new well to be located in Atascosa County. Director Fox moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Troell seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

The Board was presented with one drilling and production permit application for DT Farms (Drilling/Production Permit#2651) for new well to be located in Atascosa County. Director Troell moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Fox seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

d. Permits on Existing Wells:

The Board was presented with eleven production permit applications for Burlington Resources (Permit #2632, 2634, 2635, 2636, 2638, 2647, 2646, 2645, 2644, 2639, 2633), for existing wells located in Karnes County. Director Posey moved to approve the production permits with the contingency that they are in compliance with TDLR rules and regulations. Director Savage seconded the motion and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

The Board was presented with one production permit application for Randall Richter (Permit #2652), for an existing well located in Wilson County. Director Savage moved to approve the production permit. Director Kruciak seconded the motion, Director Posey abstained, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

e. Permit Amendments:

The Board was presented with one permit amendment from Pleasanton ISD (Permit #2653) in Atascosa County. The total maximum annual production from the well will increase to 50.00-acre feet. The well will produce from the Queen City Aquifer. Director Troell moved to approve the permit amendment. Director Moy seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

f. Adjourn:

President Schorp declared the Public Hearing adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

Reconvene to Regular Meeting.

Public Comments on Agenda Items or Other District Business, Limited to 5 Minutes Each:

Tina Shearman passed out a handout in regard to monitor wells in Karnes County and discussed how their area is not being covered in the monitor well system. Ms. Shearman also expressed her concerns about the City of Kenedy wanting to expand their CCN and how this will affect some land owners in the area and said that our decisions as a district has consequences down the road for other people.

Jamie Albert expressed her concerns in regard to the City of Kenedy's well #16 and how it is continually being flushed, wasting water, and affecting her well and water pressure. Jamie Albert stated that there are five wells close to her property that were permitted with the pretense that they are in the City of Kenedy's CCN and the Evergreen district failed to verify the information given by the City of Kenedy and took them at their word. Ms. Albert said that the board has failed in making decisions that are best for all concerned that the board needs to do its job and protect the water.

David Morgan was upset that the City of Kenedy's permit renewals were not on the agenda for board review, discussion, and vote.

Approval of Minutes from the August 30, 2018 Board of Directors Meeting:

The minutes of the August 30th meeting were presented to the Board. Director Posey moved to approve the minutes as presented. Director Stacy seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried.

Amend Fiscal Year 2017-2018 Budget:

Director Savage moved to amend the Budget for Fiscal Year 2017-2018. Director Posey seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Funds were added to the following budget categories which are highlighted on the amended budget spreadsheet:

New Vehicle, 5330- Telephone/Internet, 5390-Building Maintenance, 5010- Technical Specialist, 5050-Medicare, 5060- Health Insurance, 5305- Contract Labor, 5450-Educational Materials/Sponsorship, 5490-Insurance, 5510-Insurance-Director's Bond.

Resolution #2018-19-1 to Adopt the District Budget for Fiscal Year 2018-2019:

Director Kruciak moved to adopt Resolution #2018-19-1. Director Savage seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #2018-19-2 to Adopt the District Tax Rate for Fiscal Year 2018-2019:

Director Troell moved to adopt Resolution #2018-19-2. Director Posey seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution #2018-19-3 to Adopt the District Public Funds Investment Policy for Fiscal Year 2018-2019:

Director Moy moved to adopt Resolution #2018-19-3. Director Troell seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Approval of Report of Bills Paid, Deposits, and Financial Statements for August 2017:

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

Discuss/Approve 2018-2019 District Holiday:

Director Troell moved to approve the 2018-2019 District Holidays. Director Fox seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Presentation by Joseph Neal on Land Management and Reclamation Practices for Water Conservation in Atascosa County:

Mr. Neal gave a presentation and invited everyone to attend the 2018 Fall Range Clinic & Ranch Tour on October 23, 2018.

Nueces River Authority Presentation and Approval of Invoices for Educational Services:

Director Savage moved to approve the Nueces River Authority Invoice for the amount of \$20,000.00. Director Kruciak seconded the motion, the board agreed to table the additional costs for the Rainwater Collection/Education Program, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Discuss and Consider EUWCD sponsorship of the South Texas Home, Garden, and Environmental Show:

Calvin Finch gave a report and progress of the educational program and discussed the goals for 2019. Mr. Finch did ask the Evergreen UWCD for their continued support and sponsorship of \$2500.00. The board tabled approving the sponsorship for October's meeting.

Staff Report on District Activities:

General Manager, Russell Labus mentioned that there was a STWMA meeting on September 26th, there will be an EAA meeting on October 9th, a GMA 15 meeting on October 11th, a GMA 13 meeting on October 12th, and a Region L meeting on November 1st.

Field Technician, Matthew Pope said that the monitor wells for September have held their previous levels or have improved.

Director Savage mentioned that on August 31st she attended the Cibolo Creek Stakeholders meeting.

Director Troell recommended to those who like to read, the book "A Thirsty Land".

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

- Nueces River Authority Rainwater Collection/Education Program.
- South Texas Home, Garden, and Environmental Sponsorship.
- STWMA Meteorologist Report.

Set Date and Time for the Next Board Meeting:

The Board agreed to set the next meeting date for Friday, October 26, 2018 at 09:00 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 11:00 a.m.


Blaine Schorp, President

ATTEST:


Diane Savage, Secretary/Treasurer