

Date of Meeting: **Tuesday, August 2, 2022**

Time of Meeting: **7:00 PM**

Location: **303 8TH ST
Memphis, TX 79245**



Regular Meeting Minutes

The meeting was called to order by Jerry at 7:12 PM.

Board Members Present: Jerry Lewis, Johnny Lindley, Matt Tarver, Terry Canada, Curtis Scrivner, Michael Souder, and Mat Montgomery

Staff Present: Lynn Smith, General Manager

Professionals Present: Ray Brady, P.G. and Amy Bush, P.G., Keith Good, District Attorney, Ellen Orr, Paralegal

Visitors Present: Stacie Smith

- Opening Comments - none
- Public Comments - none

1. Consent Agenda

- a. Consider and act on Minutes of June 30, 2022
- b. Consider and act on expenses for May and June 2022
- c. Consider and act on Test Hole Permits:
 - i. 592 – Dick Hutcherson
 - ii. 593 – Jordan Thomason
- d. Consider and act on Well Registrations – None

Motion to approve consent agenda made by Terry, second Matt, all ayes.

2. Consider and act on Well Permits
 - a. 888 – Jordan Thomason

Johnny moved to approve the permit, Mat second, all ayes.

3. Hydrologist Report – RMBJGeo

Amy reported that they are waiting on approval of the explanatory report.

4. Manager's Report - Lynn Smith

Lynn reported on updates to the office. Rain gauges show some scattered rain amounts. The District is still waiting on the availability of a vehicle for the district. Lynn asked the board to

consider getting an SUV instead of only pickups. Jerry suggested moving forward with placing an order for a truck and waiting it out. Lynn reported on attending an Ad Valorem Tax conference. There's a meeting coming up in San Antonio. He presented a "Thank You" card from Jacy Lampe for sponsoring her in 4H Water Ambassador Program.

5. Legal Comments - Keith Good

Keith presented information about GPU's that another district is facing. An attorney is challenging GPU's in North Plains GCD. He also spoke on the upcoming legislative session.

6. Review, consider, and act on compliance matters before the District, including, without limitation, failures to timely submit Annual Production Reports, violations leading to potential water quality issues, water wasting violations, and inoperable meter violations.

- a. Collingsworth – Elm Creek
- b. Collingsworth – Dozier

Lynn reported concerns expressed by Hawks Holder regarding well spacing and spring flow on Elm Creek. Lynn pointed out that our Rules don't currently address spring flow. Lynn reported that his discussion with Mr. Holder ended positively.

Lynn also reported on a water wasting complaint in Dozier at Doug Jr's place. Lynn spoke to Doug and he took care of the matter. Lynn recommended no further action necessary.

No action was taken on either issue.

7. Review verbal and written comments received by the District including those offered during the Rulemaking Hearing and, if appropriate, act to adopt revised District Rules

No action was taken.

8. Review Quarterly Financial Report

Lynn reported that funds are below FDIC's deposit insurance threshold. Pay Pal is now shown as a regular bank account. He recommends opening an account in Wellington State Bank where there is no fee on the account. After some discussion, it was decided to leave accounts as they are and obtain a guarantee from Pilgrims during times when the insurance threshold amount is exceeded.

9. Review and possibly update the District's Drought Contingency Policy

Lynn presented the written policy, which was followed with some discussion. Curtis moved to approve the policy with no changes, Terry second, all ayes.

10. Review and possibly update the District's Recharge Enhancement Study

Lynn briefly described the study with the Board. After some discussion, Johnny moved to approve the study with no changes, Michael second, all ayes.

11. Review and possibly update the District's approved Public Funds Investment Act training providers

Lynn presented the requirements and available trainings. Terry moved to approve the existing training providers, Johnny second, all ayes.

12. Consider and act on the proposed 2022-2023 District Budget

Lynn updated the Board on finances including most of July's expenses. The Board reviewed the existing and proposed budget. Lynn explained that the existing line item for the transducer had not been spent due to not finding a well in 2022 to place it in but suggested leaving it available in 2023. He suggested using the 2022 to fund a better GPS system which would be used to some extent, in the water level program anyway, the Board agreed with this suggestion. The proposed budget represented roughly a three percent increase in budget line items with a few exceptions, such as contracted work that has a set price. Curtis moved to approve the proposed budget, Johnny second, all ayes.

13. Consider certified property valuations and propose a tax rate based on them to support the adopted budget.

Board reviewed and discussed the adopted budget, available funds, property valuations, and other circumstances that might influence the District's operational expenses in 2023. Lynn briefly expressed his concern that valuations will likely change in Collingsworth County at some point when new leadership is assumed at that CAD. Johnny moved to propose the rate of \$0.048 per \$100 valuation, Mat second, all ayes.

14. Consider and Order an Election for Directors in Precincts 2, 3, 6, and 8 of the District and consider authorizing Lynn Smith, General Manager, to issue, post, publish, and deliver the Notice of Election as required by the Texas Election Code.

Terry moved to Order an Election for Directors in Precincts 2, 3, 6, and 8 of the District and authorize Lynn Smith, General Manager, to issue, post, publish, and deliver the Notice of Election as required by the Texas Election Code, Matt second, all ayes.

15. Other Business – none

16. Executive Session: Consultation with Attorney Regarding Attorney Client Matters exempt from open meetings pursuant to Texas Government Code §551.071 - none

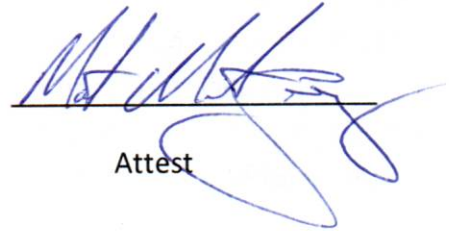
17. Set Date and Time for the next Board Meeting - September 8 in Wellington.

18. Adjourn - Johnny moved to adjourn, second by Matt, all ayes at 9:13 PM.

Approved on 9-8-2022 by the Board of Directors



Presiding Officer



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