MINUTES OF THE PERMIT HEARING AND MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE MIDDLE TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD: February 4, 2021

THE STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF ERATH

On this 4th day of February 2021 the Board of Directors of the Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District convened in a PERMIT HEARING at 930 N Wolfe Nursery Rd, Stephenville, Texas at 1:00 PM with the following members present:

Barbara Domel – Vice-President Jerry Hinshaw – Director Robert Payne – Director Shane Tucker – Director Kenneth Bullington - Director Fred Parker - Secretary Joe Altebaumer - Director Charles Ferguson - Director Gary Kafer - Director

Members absent were Rodney Stephens, Frank Volleman, and W.B. Maples. Also present were Joe Cooper, Johnny Wells, Crystal Eberhart, Debbie Montgomery, and Stephanie Keith.

Vice-President Barbara Domel called the hearing to order, declared a quorum present and that the hearing was duly convened and ready to transact business.

Notice of the hearing was given, stating the time, place and purpose, all as required by Chapter 551 of the Government Code.

- 1. Hearing called to order by Barbara Domel.
- 2. Roll Call of members was given by Debbie Montgomery.
- 3. Permit applications are ready for review. Joe Cooper stated that all operating permits were administratively complete and ready to be heard except for Chiraz Mansouri and Kevin Northcutt. Chiraz Mansouri has not provided all required information so is not administratively complete. Kevin Northcutt's driller provided a copy of a plat dated 7/26/1977 to verify that it was platted prior to the formation of the MTGCD, so it is therefore exempt and not subject to permit requirements.
- 4. Motion was made by Jerry Hinshaw and second by Gary Kafer to approve all operating permits except for Chiraz Mansouri and Kevin Northcutt. All members present voted yes. All permits were approved, except for Chiraz Mansouri and Kevin Northcutt.
- 5. Motion to adjourn permit hearing made by Fred Parker. Second by Charles Ferguson. All members present voted yes.
- 6. Barbara Domel adjourned the permit hearing.

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- 1. Meeting called to order by Barbara Domel.
- 2. Invocation was given by Joe Altebaumer.
- 3. Roll Call of Members was given by Debbie Montgomery.
- 4. Pledge of allegiance was conducted.
- 5. No guests were present.
- 6. No public comments were received.
- 7. There was a review of the Minutes of the January 7th, 2021 monthly Board Meeting. Jerry Hinshaw made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes to accept the minutes.
- 8. Check Detail Report reviewed for dates 1/1/2021 through 1/31/2021, for check numbers 10820, 10825 through 10875, and including electronic checks 13121, 13122, 1152021, and 1152022. Motion was made by Joe Altebaumer, second by Kenneth Bullington, to approve and ratify the payment of the bills. All members present voted yes.
- 9. Income/Expense Comparison was reviewed. 7.1 % of the budget has been expended, and 0.9% of The Ditch Project budget has been expended.
- 10. Office Manager Report was given by Debbie Montgomery and Crystal Eberhart. In addition to the permit applications, there were 29 exempt new well registrations. It was noted that the primary use for the Harwell registration is Livestock Watering, not Leachate. The MTGCD office will be closed on Monday, February 15th, for Presidents' Day.

- 11. Field Tech report was given by Johnny Wells. Two Comanche County well were plugged in the month of January. Four water quality tests were completed, all 4 in Erath County. All tested negative for bacteria. Erath County wells were monitored in January and Comanche County wells will be monitored in February.
- 12. Education/Public Relations Report was given by Stephanie Keith.
- 13. Manager's Report was given by Joe Cooper.
- 14. Joe Cooper went over the Annual Report on Achievement of MTGCD Management Plan Objectives.
- 15. Review / Discussion / Possible Approval of Preliminary Interpretive Signage/Exhibits Theme Design and Site Naming tabled to next month's meeting to allow for more input of ideas.
- 16. There was discussion on the easement relocation and donation. Jerry Hinshaw made a motion to accept the easement relocation and donation. Second by Joe Altebaumer. All members present voted yes.
- 17. There was discussion on the Pre-Construction and Construction Management Services Proposals that were received. Interviews will be scheduled for next week and a recommendation will be made at the March board meeting.
- 18. There was discussion on CMJ Engineering, Inc.'s proposal for geotechnical engineering services. Charles Ferguson made a motion to accept the proposal, second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes.
- 19. The Board approved W.B. Maples to be appointed to The Project Sub-Committee.
- 20. There was discussion on Texas 4-H Water Ambassador Sponsorship. MTGCD has sponsored \$2,500 the past 3 years. Jerry Hinshaw made a motion to continue sponsoring at the current level of \$2,500. Second by Fred Parker. All members present voted yes.
- 21. Discussion on forming a committee to consider restrictions on well completion and other rule changes/clarifications tabled to the March board meeting.
- 22. Agenda items for the March Board Meeting were discussed. Items will include discussion of contract with hydrologist James Beach, naming of The Ditch, appointment of construction manager, and appointing a comittee to consider rule changes/clarifications.
- 23. Fred Parker moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Charles Ferguson. Meeting adjourned by Barbara Domel.

MINUTES approved this 4th day of March 2021.	
	Joe Altebaumer/Erath Co.
	Fred Parker/Erath Co.
	Jerry Hinshaw/ Erath Co.

Shane Tucker /Comanche Co.
Frank Volleman/Comanche Co.
Rodney Stephens/Comanche Co.
Charles E. Ferguson/ Bosque Co.
Barbara Domel/Bosque Co.
Robert Payne/Bosque Co.
Gary Kafer/Coryell Co.
Kenneth Bullington/Coryell Co.
W.B. Maples/ Coryell Co.