

MINUTES OF THE  
PERMIT HEARING AND MEETING OF  
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
MIDDLE TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
HELD: June 1, 2023

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ERATH

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2023 the Board of Directors of the Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District convened in a PERMIT HEARING at 930 Wolfe Nursery Rd, Stephenville, Texas at 1:00 PM with the following members present:

Barbara Domel – Vice-President	Fred Parker - Secretary
Jerry Hinshaw - Director	Shane Tucker - Director
Gary Kafer - Director	Kenneth Bullington – Director
Charles Ferguson – Director	Frank Volleman – Director
Joe Altebaumer – Director	W.B. Maples - Director

Board Members absent were Rodney Stephens and Robert Payne. Also present were Patrick Wagner, Johnny Wells, Stephanie Keith, Debbie Montgomery, and Rachael Phillips.

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. All operating permit applications were presented as administratively complete. The permit for Bluff Dale Water supply is contingent upon participation in the Voluntary Metering Program.
4. Motion to adjourn permit hearing made by Fred Parker. Second by Charles Ferguson. All members voted yes to adjourn.
5. Barbara Domel adjourned the permit hearing.

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ERATH

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2023, the Board of Directors of the Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District convened in a PUBLIC HEARING for ADOPTION of DESIRE FUTURE CONDITIONS at 930 Wolfe Nursery Rd, Stephenville, Texas at 1:00 PM with the following members present:

Barbara Domel – Vice-President	Fred Parker - Secretary
Jerry Hinshaw - Director	Shane Tucker - Director
Gary Kafer - Director	Kenneth Bullington – Director
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Joe Altebaumer – Director	W.B. Maples – Director

Board Members absent were Rodney Stephens and Robert Payne. Also present were Patrick Wagner, Johnny Wells, Stephanie Keith, Debbie Montgomery, and Rachael Phillips.

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

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1. Meeting called to order by Barbara Domel.
2. Roll Call of Members was given by Debbie Montgomery.

3. Patrick Wagner went over the Desired Future Conditions (DFCs) for Middle Trinity Groundwater District, Groundwater Management Area 8.
4. There were no public comments.
5. Jerry Hinshaw moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Frank Volleman. All members present voted yes to adjourn. Meeting adjourned by Barbara Domel.

THE STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF ERATH

On this 1<sup>st</sup> day of June 2023, the Board of Directors of the Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District convened in a STATED SESSION at 930 Wolfe Nursery Rd, Stephenville, Texas at 1:00 PM with the following members present:

Barbara Domel – Vice-President	Fred Parker - Secretary
Jerry Hinshaw - Director	Shane Tucker - Director
Gary Kafer - Director	Kenneth Bullington – Director
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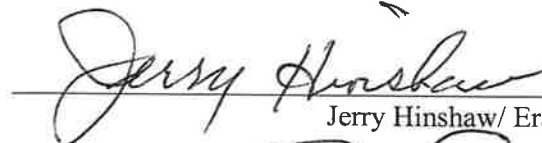
1. Meeting called to order by Barbara Domel.
2. Roll Call of Members was given by Debbie Montgomery.
3. Invocation was given by Joe Altebaumer.
4. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted
5. Guests present were permit applicants Mark Pruit, Donnie Richardson and Hailey Dunlap, and Richard Skinner and Dennis McNaughten of Bluff Dale Water Supply Corporation.
6. There were no public comments.
7. Kenneth Bullington made a motion to approve all operating permit applications on the permit hearing agenda. Second by Frank Volleman. All members present voted yes to approve the permit applications. Permit applications approved.
8. There was a review of the Minutes of the May 4<sup>th</sup>, 2023 monthly Board Meeting. Jerry Hinshaw moved to approve the minutes, second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes to approve the minutes.
9. Check Detail Report reviewed for dates 5/1/2023 through 5/31/2023, for check numbers 12269 through 12322 (12305 voided), and including electronic checks 5312023 and 15052023. Motion was made by Joe Altebaumer, second by Kenneth Bullington, to approve and ratify the payment of the bills. All members present voted yes.
10. Income/Expense Comparison was presented by Patrick Wagner.
11. Patrick Wagner went over the current tax rate and percent of revenue collected.
12. Charles Ferguson made a motion to approve the District Resolution to Adopt Desired Future Conditions. Second by Jerry Hinshaw. All members present voted yes. Resolution adopted.
13. Charles Ferguson made a motion to appoint Patrick Wagner as District Representative for Bel/Cor RHCP Karst Coalition. Second by Jerry Hinshaw. All members present voted yes. Patrick Wagner voted District Representative.
14. Legislative Update given by Patrick Wagner.
15. General Manager's Report given by Patrick Wagner.
16. Monthly Drought Report given by Patrick Wagner.

17. Well Registration Update given by Debbe Montgomery. In addition to the permit applications on the permit hearing agenda, there were 30 exempt registrations, which included 28 new wells and 2 replacement wells.
18. Field Tech report was given by Johnny Wells. Two wells were plugged in May, 1 in Comanche County and 1 in Erath County. Six water quality tests were completed, all in Erath County. All wells tested good. Erath County wells were monitored in May and Comanche County wells will be monitored in June.
19. Education/Public Relations Report was given by Stephanie Keith.
20. The Ditch Water Discovery Center Update was given by Stephanie Keith.
21. Executive Session was tabled.
22. There was discussion on agenda items for the July Board Meeting.
27. Fred Parker moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Charles Ferguson. Meeting adjourned by Barbara Domel.


MINUTES approved this 6<sup>th</sup> day of July 2023.

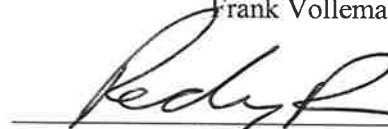
  
Joe Altebaumer/Erath Co.

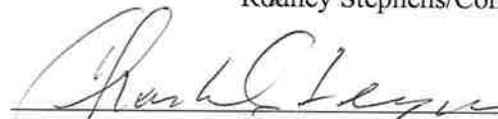
  
Fred Parker/Erath Co.

  
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.

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Gary Kafer/Coryell Co.

  
Kenneth Bullington/Coryell Co.

  
W.B. Maples/ Coryell Co.

**RESOLUTION  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
MIDDLE TRINITY GROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

**ADOPTING THE DESIRED FUTURE CONDITIONS OF RELEVANT AQUIFERS  
WITHIN THE DISTRICT IN GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AREA 8**

WHEREAS, the Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District (the “District”) is a political subdivision of the State of Texas organized and existing under and by virtue of Article XVI, § 59, of the Texas Constitution, and a groundwater conservation district acting under Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code and the District’s enabling act, Chapter 8862 of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code;

WHEREAS, the District is located entirely within Groundwater Management Area 8 (“GMA 8”) as designated by the Texas Water Development Board (“TWDB”);

WHEREAS, Texas Water Code § 36.108 requires the District, in coordination with the other groundwater conservation districts in GMA 8, to consider groundwater availability models and other data or information for the management area and propose for adoption desired future conditions (“DFCs”) for the relevant aquifers within GMA 8 every five years;

WHEREAS, the GMA 8 Districts secured hydrogeologic and engineering consulting services, held public meetings from 2018 through 2022, and conducted multiple model runs in order to consider the factors and criteria required for proposing DFCs for adoption under Texas Water Code § 36.108, as laid out in detail in GMA 8 Resolution 2022-07-26-02, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, at a public meeting held on July 26, 2022, the GMA 8 Districts adopted the DFCs for the relevant aquifers within the GMA for the current 50-year regional planning period, as reflected in Exhibit A;

WHEREAS, the DFCs were subsequently submitted to the TWDB along with the Explanatory Report that is attached hereto as Exhibit B;

WHEREAS, TWDB declared GMA 8’s DFCs administratively complete on September 23, 2022, as reflected in the TWDB correspondence attached hereto as Exhibit C;

WHEREAS, the Board wishes to finally adopt the administratively complete DFCs for the relevant aquifers within the District in GMA 8 in accordance with Texas Water Code § 36.108(d-4); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of the District met in a public meeting, noticed properly in accordance with applicable law, and considered adoption of the DFCs for the relevant aquifers within the District in GMA 8 as described in Exhibit A and approval of this resolution.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

The above recitals are true and correct;

The Board of Directors for the District hereby adopts the DFCs for the relevant aquifers within the District, as described in the attached Exhibit A – *GMA 8 Resolution 2022-07-26-02 to Adopt Desired Future Conditions for Relevant Aquifers in Groundwater Management Area 8* and Exhibit B – *Groundwater Management Area 8 Desired Future Conditions Explanatory Report*; and

The Board of Directors, its officers, and the District employees are further authorized to take any and all actions necessary to implement this resolution.

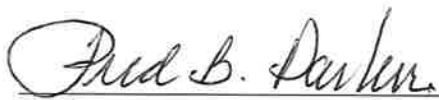
**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

Upon motion duly made by Director Charles Ferguson, and seconded by Director Joe Altebaumer, and upon discussion, the Board voted 10 in favor and 0 opposed, 0 abstained, and 2 absent, and the motion thereby PASSED on this 1st day of June, 2023.

**MIDDLE TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

By:   
Rodney Stephens,  
Board President

ATTEST:

  
Fred B. Parker  
Board Secretary

**Exhibit List**

- Exhibit A - GMA 8 Resolution No. 2022-07-26-02 Adopting Desired Future Conditions For Relevant Aquifers in Groundwater Management Area 8
- Exhibit B – GMA 8 Desired Future Conditions Explanatory Report
- Exhibit C – TWDB Correspondence Dated September 23, 2022 Declaring GMA 8’s Desired Future Conditions Administratively Complete

**RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE  
MIDDLE TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
DESIGNATING DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE  
BELL AND CORYELL COUNTIES REGIONAL HABITAT CONSERVATION PLAN**

THE STATE OF TEXAS

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MIDDLE TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

**WHEREAS**, the Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District (“District”) was created by the Texas Legislature, pursuant to the authority of Article XVI, § 59 of the Texas Constitution, through Act of May 25, 2001, 77th Leg., R.S., ch. 1362, 2001 Tex. Gen. Laws 3371, as amended (“the Act”), codified as Chapter 8862 of the Texas Special District Local Laws Code as a groundwater conservation district operating under Chapter 36, Texas Water Code, and the Act;

**WHEREAS**, the District entered into and agreed to an Interlocal Agreement (the “Agreement”) by and among Bell County, Coryell County, Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District, Killeen-Temple Metropolitan Planning Organization, Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District, City of Gatesville, City of Copperas Cove, City of Killeen, City of Harker Heights, City of Belton, City of Temple, the Village of Salado, and the Brazos River Authority for the purpose of creating the Karst Coalition to develop a regional habitat conservation plan in Bell and Coryell Counties (“BELCOR RHCP”);

**WHEREAS**, the District desires to actively participate on the Coordinating Committee (“Committee”) in the BELCOR RHCP to achieve the objectives and meet the obligations set forth by the Agreement;

**WHEREAS**, the District, including its Presiding Officer, desires to designate a representative to participate as a member of the Committee and represent the District in the BELCOR RHCP;

**WHEREAS**, the Board of Directors, including the District’s Presiding Officer, upon proper notice and in an open meeting, seeks to take formal action to designate a representative to participate and represent the District as a member of the Committee in the BELCOR RHCP.

**NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED THAT:**

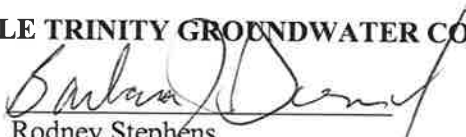
1. The recitals above are true and correct.
2. The Board of Directors, including the District’s Presiding Officer, hereby designates Patrick Wagner as the District’s representative to participate on the District’s behalf during meetings and other activities of the Committee in the BELCOR RHCP.
3. The Board of Directors, District Staff, and the District’s legal counsel are further authorized to take all steps necessary to implement this resolution.

**AND IT IS SO ORDERED.**

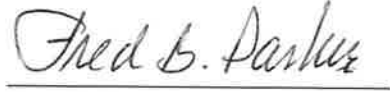
**PASSED AND APPROVED** the 1<sup>st</sup> day of June, 2023

**MIDDLE TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

By:

  
Rodney Stephens  
Board President and Presiding Officer

Attest:

  
Fred B. Parker  
Board Secretary