

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

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ERATH

On this 4th day of November 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:

Rodney Stephens – President
Fred Parker - Secretary
Shane Tucker – Director
Gary Kafer – Director
Frank Volleman – Director
Robert Payne – Director

Barbara Domel – Vice-President
Jerry Hinshaw – Director
Kenneth Bullington – Director
Charles Ferguson – Director
W.B. Maples – Director
Joe Altebaumer - Director

No Board Members were absent. Also present were Johnny Wells, Crystal Eberhart, Stephanie Keith, and Debbie Montgomery.

President Rodney Stephens 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 Rodney Stephens.
2. Roll Call of members was given by Debbie Montgomery.
3. Permit applications are ready for review. Debbie Montgomery stated that all operating permits were administratively complete. Andrew Kinser is requesting an exception to the spacing requirement and has provided the required waivers.
4. Motion to adjourn permit hearing made by Fred Parker. Second by Charles Ferguson. All members present voted yes.
6. Rodney Stephens adjourned the permit hearing.

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1. Meeting called to order by Rodney Stephens.
2. Invocation was given by Joe Altebaumer.
3. Roll Call of Members was given by Debbie Montgomery.
4. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted
5. Guests present were Ty Embrey, of Lloyd Gosselink Law Firm, and Jarrell Dowell.
6. There were no public comments.
7. Frank Volleman made a motion to accept and approve all the permit applications reviewed at the permit hearing. Second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes to approve all permit applications.
8. There was a review of the Minutes of the October 7th, 2021 monthly Board Meeting. Kenneth Bullington moved to approve the minutes of the meeting, second by Shane Tucker. All members present voted yes to accept the minutes.
9. Check Detail Report reviewed for dates 10/1/2021 through 10/31/2021, for check numbers 11268 through 11315 (11300 voided), and including electronic checks 101521, 101522, 101523, and 101524. Motion was made by Kenneth Bullington, second by Shane Tucker, to approve and ratify the payment of the bills. All members present voted yes.
10. Income/Expense Comparison was reviewed. 65.6 % of the budget has been expended, and 14.8 % of the project budget has been expended.
11. Manager's Report was given by Johnny Wells.
12. Office Manager Report was given by Crystal Eberhart and Debbie Montgomery. In addition to the permit applications, there were 25 exempt new well registrations and 1 replacement.
13. Field Tech report was given by Johnny Wells. Three wells were plugged in October, 2 in Comanche County and 1 in Erath County. Four water quality tests were completed: 2 in Erath County and 2 in Comanche County. All tested negative for bacteria. Comanche County wells were monitored in October and Coryell County wells will be monitored in November.
14. Education/PR Report/Outdoor Learning Center Update given by Stephanie Keith.
15. GMA 8 Update given by Charles Ferguson and Johnny Wells.
16. Joe Altebaumer made a motion to table the discussion/possible action on applicable district fees until reviewed further by the Rules Committee. Second by Frank Volleman. All members present voted yes.
17. There was discussion on MTGCD vehicle replacement. Quotes from dealerships for new vehicles and trade-in values for current vehicles will be collected and discussed at the next Board Meeting.
18. There was discussion on forming a committee to hire a new General Manager. One volunteer was requested from each county, with the Board President to preside over the committee. W.B. Maples made a motion to accept the committee of Gary Kafer from Coryell County, Frank Volleman from Comanche County, Barbara Domel from Bosque County, and Jerry Hinshaw from Erath County, with Rodney Stephens to preside. Second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes to accept the committee.
19. Ty Embrey went over the Interlocal Agreement to Develop a Regional Habitat Conservation Plan in Bell and Coryell Counties. Frank Volleman made a motion to join the interlocal agreement and contribute \$8,333.20 per year for 3 years. Second by Gary Kafer. All members present voted yes to participate.
20. At 2:22 PM, the Board retired into Executive Session.
21. The Board reconvened at 2:38 PM. Barbara Domel made a motion to give each MTGCD employee a one-time salary adjustment of \$1250. Second by Jerry Hinshaw. All members present voted yes.
22. After discussion on the date of the December Board Meeting, W.B. Maples moved to change the date to Thursday, December 9th. Second by Joe Altebaumer. All members present voted yes to move the December Board Meeting from the 2nd to the 9th of December.
23. Agenda items for the December Board Meeting were discussed.

24. Fred Parker moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Charles Ferguson. Meeting adjourned by Rodney Stephens.

MINUTES approved this 9th day of December 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.