

MINUTES OF THE
PERMIT HEARING AND MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MIDDLE TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
HELD: November 3, 2022

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ERATH

On this 3rd day of November 2022 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
Jerry Hinshaw - Director
Gary Kafer - Director
Charles Ferguson – Director
W.B. Maples - Director

Fred Parker - Secretary
Shane Tucker - Director
Kenneth Bullington – Director
Robert Payne – Director

Board Members absent were Barbara Domel, Frank Volleman, and Joe Altebaumer. Also present were Patrick Wagner, Johnny Wells, Stephanie Keith, Debbie Montgomery, and Rachael Phillips.

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. All operating permit applications were presented as administratively complete, except for Tyler Hicks.
4. Motion to adjourn permit hearing made by Fred Parker. Second by Charles Ferguson. All members present voted yes.
5. Rodney Stephens adjourned the permit hearing.

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1. Meeting called to order by Rodney Stephens.
2. Roll Call of Members was given by Debbie Montgomery.
3. Invocation was given by W.B. Maples.
4. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted
5. Guests present were Justin Latham and Ryan Basham of Coryell County and C.H. McCall of Comanche County.
6. C.H. McCall introduced himself and said he there to listen as he is concerned about water issues in Comanche County. No other public comments were received.
7. Kenneth Bullington made a motion to approve all operating permit applications on the permit hearing agenda except for Tyler Hicks. Second by Shane Tucker. All members present voted yes to approve the permit applications, excluding Tyler Hicks.
8. There was a review of the Minutes of the October 6th, 2022 monthly Board Meeting. Kenneth Bullington moved to approve the minutes, second by Robert Payne. All members present voted yes to approve the minutes.
9. Check Detail Report reviewed for dates 10/3/2022 through 10/31/2022, for check numbers 11913 through 11964, and including electronic checks 101422, 10142022, 10142023, 10262022, 10312022, and 20221026. (10262022 was voided.) 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% of the MTGCD budget has been used.
11. Patrick Wagner reviewed the current tax rate and percent of revenue collected. 2021 revenue collected totals 100.3% of the MTGCD 2022 Budget.
12. Manager's Report was given by Patrick Wagner.
13. Office Administrator's Report was given by Debbie Montgomery. In addition to the permit applications, there were 32 exempt new well registrations and 2 replacements during the past month.
14. Field Tech report was given by Johnny Wells. Two wells were plugged in the month of October, 1 in Coryell County and 1 in Erath County. Seven water quality tests were completed, 3 in Erath County, 3 in Comanche County, and 1 in Coryell County. All wells tested good. Comanche County wells were monitored in October and Coryell County wells will be monitored in November.

15. Education/PR Report/The Ditch Water Discovery Center Update given by Stephanie Keith.
16. Monthly Drought Report given by Patrick Wagner.
17. Monthly Investment Report given by Patrick Wagner.
18. Patrick Wagner gave an update on the BELCOR Regional Habitat Conservation Plan for Karst Invertebrates.
19. There was discussion on adding up to 5 monitoring wells in Hamilton County. Jerry Hinshaw moved to approve adding up to 5 monitoring wells in Hamilton County, with a written agreement with each property owner. Second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes.
20. There was discussion on the Allan R Standen LLC 3D Hydrostratigraphic Model Contract with 5 years additional service. The initial contract for Phase I was previously approved. Jerry Hinshaw made a motion to lock in Phase II option at \$75,000 and the option for 5 years additional service for annual updates at \$7,500 annually. Second by Shane Tucker. All members present voted yes.
21. There was discussion on some 2022 Budget amendments. Charles Ferguson moved to table the action on the amendments until the next January Board Meeting, second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes.
22. The Board retired into Executive Session at 2:06 PM.
23. The Board reconvened into General Session at 2:15 PM. Charles Ferguson moved to give each MTGCD employee with a full year of employment a \$1000 one-time salary adjustment, and each employee with less than a full year of employment a \$500 one-time salary adjustment. Second by Jerry Hinshaw. All members present voted yes.
24. There was discussion on agenda items for the December Board Meeting to be held on December 8, 2022.
25. Fred Parker moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Charles Ferguson. Meeting adjourned by Rodney Stephens.

MINUTES approved this 8th day of December 2022.

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.