

MINUTES OF THE
PERMIT HEARING AND MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MIDDLE TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
HELD: October 3, 2019

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ERATH

On this 3rd day of October 2019 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
Kenneth Bullington – Director
Shane Tucker – Director

Barbara Domel – Vice-President
Jerry Hinshaw – Director
Frank Volleman – Director
Gary Kafer - Director

Members absent were Joe Altebaumer, W.B. Maples, Charles Ferguson, and Robert Payne. Also present were Joe Cooper, Johnny Wells, Crystal Eberhart, Debbie Montgomery, and Stephanie Keith.

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. Joe Cooper stated that all operating permits were administratively complete and ready to be heard.
4. Motion was made by Jerry Hinshaw and second by Shane Tucker to approve all operating permits. All members present voted yes. All permits were approved.
5. Motion to adjourn permit hearing made by Fred Parker. Second by Jerry Hinshaw. 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 Gary Kafer.
3. Roll Call of Members was given by Debbie Montgomery.
4. Pledge of allegiance was conducted.
5. Guest present was Paul Gaudette of the Dublin Citizen.
6. No public comments were received
7. There was a review of the Minutes of the September 5th, 2019 monthly Board Meeting. Kenneth Bullington made a motion to approve the minutes, second by Shane Tucker. All members present voted yes to accept the minutes. There was also a review of the Minutes of the September 5th, 2019 Tax Rate Meeting. Frank Volleman made a motion to accept the minutes, second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes to accept.
8. Check Detail Report reviewed for dates 9/1/2019 through 9/30/2019, for check numbers 10092 through 10140, and including electronic checks numbered 19915-19917, 83319, 83120, and 193009. Motion was made by Kenneth Bullington, second by Jerry Hinshaw, to approve and ratify the payment of the bills. All members present voted yes.
9. Income/Expense Comparison was reviewed.
10. Office Manager Report was given by Crystal Eberhart and Debbie Montgomery. In addition to the permit applications, there were 16 exempt well registrations. Operating Permit Renewals have been mailed out, due back to the MTGCD office by October 31, 2019. The MTGCD office will be closed on Monday, October 14, 2019 in observance of Columbus Day.
11. Field Tech report was given by Johnny Wells. Eight wells were plugged, 1 in Comanche County and 7 in Erath County. Four water quality tests were completed, all in Erath County. One well tested positive for bacteria. It was a new well, was bleached and rechecked and was okay. Erath County wells were monitored in September and Comanche County wells will be monitored in October.
12. Education/Public Relations Report was given by Stephanie Keith.
13. Manager's Report was given by Joe Cooper.

14. Quarterly Investment Report given by Joe Cooper. The average monthly interest rate on MTGCD's invested public funds for September 2019 is 2.1635% for TexPool and 2.2749% for TexPool Prime. MTGCD currently has a total of \$3,591,004.51 invested with TexPool.
15. Quarterly Drought Report given by Joe Cooper. The Palmer Drought Severity Index (PDSI) as of September 28, 2019 for the North Central Texas region is -1.29, which translates to "near normal" conditions. The Crop Moisture Index (CMI) for the North Central Texas region is -2.73, which translates to "excessively dry." The U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook on September 19, 2019 with predictions valid through December 31, 2019 indicates that drought conditions persist in our area.
16. There was discussion on Central Appraisal District Voting Allocation for Comanche and Coryell Counties. No nominations were received for Coryell County. Shane Tucker made a motion to nominate Jason Pate for Comanche County, second by Frank Volleman. All members present voted yes.
17. There was discussion on adding a Budget Line Item for the Outdoor Classroom. Jerry Hinshaw made a motion to amend the budget to add a budget line item for \$70,000 for the outdoor learning center, making the total budget \$841,210. Second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes.
18. There was discussion on the date for the December Board Meeting. December Meeting date will be Thursday, December 5th, 2019 at 5:00 PM at Rathbone Hall in Comanche, Texas.
19. Agenda items for the November Board Meeting were discussed, including a subcommittee report on the Outdoor Learning Center.
20. Motion to adjourn made by Fred Parker. Second by Shane Tucker. Meeting adjourned by Rodney Stephens.

MINUTES approved this 7th day of November 2019.

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.