

MINUTES OF THE
PERMIT HEARING AND MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
MIDDLE TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
HELD: September 8, 2022

THE STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF ERATH

On this 8th day of September 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
Fred Parker - Secretary
Shane Tucker - Director
Kenneth Bullington – Director
Joe Altebaumer - Director

Barbara Domel – Vice-President
Jerry Hinshaw - Director
Gary Kafer - Director
Charles Ferguson – Director

Board Members absent were Robert Payne, Frank Volleman, and W.B. Maples. 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 administratively complete. There were also 2 permit amendments, both for increase in pumpage.
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 Joe Altebaumer.
4. Pledge of Allegiance was conducted
5. Guests present were Allan Standen and Vince Clause of Allan R. Standen LLC, Douglas Landrum, and Steve Manning.
6. Public comment was received from Douglas Landrum, who is concerned about a proposed subdivision near Oglesby in Coryell County.
7. Charles Ferguson made a motion to approve all operating permit applications on the permit hearing agenda. Second by Jerry Hinshaw. All members present except one voted yes to approve the permit applications.
8. Allan Standen and Vince Clause, of Allan R. Standen LLC, gave a presentation on 3D Hydrostratigraphic Aquifer Modeling.
9. There was a review of the Minutes of the August 4th, 2022 monthly Board Meeting. Gary Kafer moved to approve the minutes of the meeting, second by Kenneth Bullington. All members present voted yes to approve the minutes.
10. Check Detail Report reviewed for dates 8/2/2022 through 8/31/2022, for check numbers 11787 through 11845, and including electronic checks 72922, 72923, 081822, 82922, 82923, 8152022, 8152023, 8152024, 8312022, and 20220829. Check number 11703, issued 6/15/2022, was issued a stop payment, and electronic check 82922 was voided. Motion was made by Barbara Domel, second by Joe Altebaumerr, to approve and ratify the payment of the bills. All members present voted yes.
11. Income/Expense Comparison was reviewed.
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 43 exempt new well registrations and 3 replacements during the past month.
14. Field Tech report was given by Johnny Wells. Four wells were plugged in the month of August, 2 in Comanche County and 2 in Bosque County. Nine water quality tests were completed, 6 in Erath County, 2 in Comanche

County, and 1 in Bosque County. All wells tested good. Bosque County wells were monitored in August and Erath County wells will be monitored in September.

15. Education/PR Report/The Ditch Water Discovery Center Update given by Stephanie Keith.
16. Patrick Wagner went over the Amendment to the Professional Services Agreement, Document G802 – 2017. Actual amounts listed for reimbursable expenses instead of TBD, totalling \$13,300. Joe Altebaumer made a motion to amend the TBD total to \$13,300, second by Shane Tucker. All members present voted yes to approve the amendment.
17. Patrick Wagner went over the Art Commissioning Agreement between MTGCD and Bridge Projects, a partnership between artists Stuart Allen and Cade Bradshaw. Kenneth Bullington made a motion to approve the \$119,749.50 total budget, second by Joe Altebaumer. All members present voted yes.
18. Monthly Drought Report given by Patrick Wagner.
19. Monthly Investment Report given by Patrick Wagner.
20. There was discussion on purchasing new office computer equipment to replace the existing 5+ year-old workstations each employee currently has, totalling \$7,110.04. Charles Ferguson made a motion to replace the office computer equipment for \$7110.04, second by Joe Altebaumer. All members present voted yes.
21. Patrick Wagner went over some amendments to the 2022 District Budget. Kenneth Bullington made a motion to accept the amendments, second by Joe Altebaumer. All members present voted yes.
22. There was discussion on the TML insurance annual re-rates. The current plan had an increase of 18%, and other options were presented. Gary Kafer made a motion to renew the current plan, second by Charles Ferguson. All members present voted yes.
23. Patrick Wagner reviewed the current tax rate and percent of revenue collected. 98% of the total revenue has been collected.
24. Charles Ferguson made a motion to table action on the 2023 District Budget until the tax rate has been set. Second by Jerry Hinshaw. All members present voted yes. Action on the 2023 District Budget tabled.
25. There was discussion on the proposed District Tax Rate for 2022. Expected revenue for different tax rates were compared. Charles Ferguson made a motion to propose the 2022 Tax Rate at \$0.0073 / \$100. Second by Joe Altebaumer. All members present voted yes except for Kenneth Bullington, who voted no. Public Hearing and Board Meeting will be set for 9/22/2022 to adopt the proposed tax rate of \$0.0073 / \$100.
26. Charles Ferguson made a motion to adopt the Order of Cancellation of the November 8, 2022 Regular Election for Directors for Comanche and Erath Counties. Second by Joe Altebaumer. All members present voted yes. Election cancelled.
27. Charles Ferguson moved to table the Executive Session, second by Shane Tucker. All members present voted yes. There was no Executive Session.
28. There was discussion on agenda items for the October Board Meeting to be held on October 6, 2022.
29. Fred Parker moved to adjourn the meeting, second by Charles Ferguson. Meeting adjourned by Rodney Stephens.

MINUTES approved this 6th day of October 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.