Minutes from the April 16th, 2013 PCCD regular scheduled meeting to be presented on May 21st, 2013 for Board approval and subject to corrections, additions, deletions and approval.

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Notices of this regular meeting were posted in the Hays and Caldwell County Courthouses at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. Receipts of the notices are on file in the office of Plum Creek Conservation District.

Checks were reviewed and signed, just prior to the call to order, by Vice President, James O Lipscomb.

- ^{1:00 PM} The meeting was called to order by President of the Board, James Holt, with the following Board members present: James O. Lipscomb (Vice President), Peter Reinecke (Secretary/Treasurer), Lucy Knight (Director), Ben Twidwell (Director) and Fred Rothert (Director). Also present were Bob Wilson (Attorney) Feathergail Wilson (PCCD Geologist) and PCCD staff Karen Bassett, Korey Schuelke and Dan Meyer. Minutes were taken by Karen Bassett and transcribed by Korey Schuelke.
- 1:00PM President Holt requested motions or comments regarding the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 19th, 2013. Mr. Lipscomb made a motion that the minutes of the regular meeting held on March 19th, 2013, be accepted as mailed out. Mrs. Knight provided the second and the motion was approved unanimously.
- ^{1:00PM} President Holt requested discussion of any unfinished business. Mr. Halliburton informed the Board of Directors that there was no unfinished business.
- 1:00PM President Holt requested discussion of Item IV on the agenda. Mr. Halliburton then introduced Mr. Jack Tate with Sunfield Municipal Utility District and Mr. Jim Scaief with Murfee Engineering. Mr. Halliburton also introduced Mr. Brian Wenberg and Mr. Robert Martinez with the Natural Resources Conservation Service. Mr. Tate then gave a brief introduction of the proposed project at the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site #10 flood control structure to the Board of Directors and then turned discussion over to Mr. Scaief for further explanation. Mr. Scalef then gave the Board of Directors an in-depth explanation of the report from the multiple studies that had been performed regarding the feasibility of a possible water detention and water quality project at the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site #10 flood control structure. After an in-depth presentation, Mr. Scalef opened the floor for questions, comments, and feedback from the Board of Directors, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, and the Plum Creek Conservation District's Staff. Mr. Wenberg then questioned Mr. Scalef and Mr. Tate at length regarding the possible project. Mr. Tate also discussed the possibility of the Sunfield Municipal Utility District performing maintenance on the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site #10 flood control structure. Mr. Halliburton also discussed the possibility of coordinating the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site #10 flood control structure's possible rehabilitation with the possible project proposed by the Sunfield Municipal Utility District. The Board of Directors, the Natural Resources Conservation Service, Mr. Tate, and Mr. Scaief discussed the possible project at length. Mr. Bob Wilson then posed many questions to Mr. Tate and Mr. Scaief regarding the possible project. Mr. Wenberg, the Board of Directors, and the Sunfield Municipal Utility District's representatives then discussed actions and discussions that were necessary to facilitate the possibility of this proposed project's completion. Mrs. Knight made a motion that the Plum Creek Conservation District's Staff and the Sunfield Municipal Utility District work together to author an inter-local agreement beneficial to all parties for the possible approval of the Sunfield Municipal Utility District's project at the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site #10 flood control structure. Mr. Twidwell provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

- 1:43PM President Holt requested a report from the Plum Creek Conservation District's Geologist, Mr. William Feathergail Wilson. Mr. Feather Wilson then discussed the status and possible impact of the proposed test well planned by Walton Development. Mr. Daniel Meyer then discussed the Plum Creek Conservation District's overlapping areas with the Board of Directors and the possible effects that these overlaps could possibly have. The Board of Directors and Plum Creek Conservation District's Staff discussed boundary lines of different conservation districts and groundwater authorities at length. Mr. Feather Wilson then discussed oil and gas exploration that could possibly be moving into Caldwell County in the near future and its impact on water. Mr. Feather Wilson then discussed rainfall patterns that he had charted with the Board of Directors. Mr. Feather Wilson also made a recommendation that the Board of Directors acquire a weather station for data collection at the Plum Creek Conservation District's Office Building. The Board of Directors also discussed spacing requirements for production water wells with Mr. George Fletcher of Walton Development.
- ^{2:20PM} President Holt requested a report from the Natural Resources Conservation Service's District Conservationist, Mr. Isidro Morales. Mr. Morales was not in attendance at the meeting, but his representative, Mr. Robert Martinez, stated that there was nothing to report.
- ^{2:21PM} President Holt requested a report from the Plum Creek Conservation District's Assistant Manager, Mr. Daniel Meyer. Mr. Meyer discussed meetings he had attended with the Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District regarding the Groundwater Management Area-10. Mr. Meyer then discussed possible updates to the desired future conditions for the saline Edwards aquifer. Mr. Feather Wilson then discussed the inaccuracies involved with the model used to create the desired future conditions for the Edwards aquifer. Mr. Meyer also discussed possibly adjusting the desired future conditions for the Trinity aquifer. Mr. Meyer and Mr. Feather Wilson discussed the benefits of logging the Walton Development well. Mr. Meyer also discussed ways of removing a desired future condition. Mr. Meyer then discussed an upcoming Texas Association of Groundwater District's investment course that the financial officers of the Board of Directors needed to attend.
- 2:34PM President Holt requested a report from the Plum Creek Conservation District's Executive Manager, Mr. Johnie Halliburton. Mr. Halliburton informed the Board of Directors that the decayed wire on the fence at Site #37 had been replaced by Mr. Schuelke. Mr. Halliburton informed the Board of Directors that Mr. Schuelke had pulled all equipment from the water well at the office. Mr. Halliburton then informed the Board of Directors that the northern half of the flood control structures had been fertilized and had herbicide applications performed. Mr. Halliburton then gave the Board of Directors an update from a recent Texas Association of Watershed Sponsor's Meeting that he had attended. Mr. Halliburton also discussed a new program called Damwatch that would be available for the Plum Creek Conservation District to use in the future to monitor its flood control structures. Mr. Halliburton also discussed the status of the infrastructure throughout the United States of America. Mr. Halliburton then discussed the upcoming replacement of the Plum Creek Conservation District's Office floor, after the recent sewer backup.
- ^{2:43PM} President Holt requested a report from the Plum Creek Conservation District's Attorney, Mr. Bob Wilson. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed the amounts and types of legislation currently being discussed in the Texas Legislature regarding groundwater and surface water.
- ^{2:45PM} President Holt requested discussion of Item X on the agenda. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed the possible modification of the Plum Creek Conservation District's policy regarding flood control easements and distributed it to the Board of Directors for their inspection. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed this policy briefly with the Board of Directors.

- 2:51PM President Holt requested the Plum Creek Conservation District's quarterly investment report. Mr. Lipscomb then gave the Board of Directors an update of the investment accounts that the Plum Creek Conservation District currently holds and their recent activity.
- 2:52PM President Holt requested a report from the building committee concerning the Plum Creek Conservation District's proposed new garage building. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed the current state of contract negotiations with the construction bidder that had been selected by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors and Mr. Bob Wilson discussed these negotiations at length regarding the contract requirements necessary for a political subdivision like the Plum Creek Conservation District. The Board of Directors instructed Mr. Bob Wilson to continue negotiations on the construction contract.
- 3:13PM No public comments were requested at this meeting.
- 3:13PM Mr. Twidwell made a motion to adjourn. Mrs. Knight provided the second and the motion to adjourn was approved unanimously.