

Minutes from the November 18th, 2008 PCCD Board meeting to be presented on December 16th, 2008 for Board Approval and subject to correction, 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.

- 2:00PM The meeting was called to order by President of the Board, James A. Holt, Jr. with the following Board members present: James O. Lipscomb (Vice President), Ben Twidwell (Director), Lucy Knight (Director) and Fred Rotherth (Director). Also present were Karen Bassett (Office Secretary), Bob Wilson (PCCD Attorney), Feathergail Wilson (PCCD Geologist/Consultant), and Josh Grimes (PCCD Groundwater Consultant). Minutes were taken by Karen Bassett.
- 2:00 PM Ms. Knight made a motion to accept the minutes received just before the meeting for October 21st, 2008. Mr. Twidwell seconded. Motion approved.
- 2:03PM Mr. Dan Meyer discussed with the Board a report from Mr. Halliburton explaining that Mr. Halliburton attended a Texas Association of Watershed Sponsors (TAWS) meeting in Bastrop. Mr. Meyer also stated that Mr. Halliburton was asked by Guadalupe Blanco River Authority (GBRA) if he would be on the steering committee of the Caldwell County Water Study and that he agreed to serve. Mr. Meyer told the Board that Polonia WSC had dug a test well and was in the process of performing a pump test to obtain information on the pumping capabilities of the well. He also stated that any information obtained by Polonia would be presented to PCCD.
Mr. Meyer also said that Mr. Halliburton wanted the Board to know that Mr. Jansen will be starting the audit the following day.
Mr. Meyer told with the Board that he had attended a TAGD meeting in Austin and that he found it informative.
Mr. Meyer explained to the Board that PCCD is lining up some monitoring wells with Luling and Lockhart.
Mr. Meyer also told the Board that he had done a survey of GMA 13 to see what they thought the DFC's (Desired Future Conditions) should be.
- 2:10PM Mr. Josh Grimes told the Board that he attended a Green Point for Growth meeting in Lockhart. He explained that the purpose of the meeting was to gather and show ideas of how to plan for future growth in Caldwell County with more green areas like parks, and etc. Mr. Grimes also explained that he, Mr. Halliburton, and Mr. Meyer met with the City of Luling representatives and toured several water well sites searching for possible monitoring sites.
Mr. Grimes explained that he had a meeting with Ms. Knight and Mr. Bob Wilson regarding Legislative issues and that they then attended a meeting with Senator Hegar and discussed the same.
Mr. Grimes informed the Board that he will be attending a meeting in Uvalde for a GMA 10 meeting prior to the PCCD Board meeting. The Board discussed with Mr. Grimes.
- 2:14PM Ms. Knight told the Board that she, Mr. Bob Wilson, and Mr. Grimes had met with Senator Hegar and that he encouraged PCCD to expand it's boundaries, perhaps through petitions. Ms. Knight explained that at the meeting they also discussed the possibility of an Aquifer Storage Recovery (ASR) facility in PCCD's district. The Board discussed with Ms. Knight.

Mr. Bob Wilson told the Board that at the meeting they had raised the question to Senator Hegar as to whether or not there was going to be Legislation concerning PCCD. Mr. Bob Wilson explained that he had spoken with Mr. Hegar about the comments for Plum Creek regarding Legislative changes dealing with dams and their safety as well as the rehabilitation of dams. The Board discussed with Mr. Wilson.

2:17PM Mr. Bob Wilson also said that he conveyed the information regarding the tax issues at Brushy Creek Flood Control District, that he had discovered a couple of years ago, and what the cost of rehabilitation would be. Mr. Wilson explained that Senator Hegar was glad to hear that PCCD was working with Gonzales County Underground Water District and that he was looking forward to the interlocal agreement that PCCD might come up with. Mr. Wilson explained that Senator Hegar discussed the Groundwater Management Area (GMA) process and the Desired Future Conditions (DFC's). Mr. Bob Wilson explained that Senator Hagar said he did not feel that the Legislature would be doing very much. The Board discussed with Mr. Bob Wilson.

Ms. Knight let the Board know that she, Mr. Grimes, and Mr. Bob Wilson will be attending a meeting on November 24th with Representative Patrick Rose.

2:20PM Mr. Bob Wilson informed the Board that he had started monitoring Legislative bills introduced and that as of November 17th 2008, there had been about six hundred bills filed but there really wasn't anything other than one bill that pertained to PCCD and it wasn't important at this time. The Board discussed with Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Wilson told the Board that there had been an Attorney General's opinion about the way public meeting agenda items are to be listed and it will require PCCD to be more specific. Subject matters will need to be listed on the agenda in advance he said. The Board discussed with Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Wilson explained that he had been asked by Mr. Halliburton to draft an agreement between PCCD and the City of Lockhart for their review, and hopefully approval, granting PCCD access to their city well #8 for a monitoring well. The Board discussed with Mr. Wilson.

Mr. Wilson explained to the Board that he had sent Mr. Halliburton a letter explaining the announcement by the Guadalupe Blanco River Authority that they were starting a project on the San Marcos river in the San Marcos vicinity to be able to supply 25,000 ac/ft per year to Caldwell and Hays Counties. Mr. Wilson said he had obtained an application file where GBRA proposed to divert water under appropriated flow conditions in times of plenty to an off channel reservoir and then to be used in times of need. Mr. Wilson was told by a GBRA Director that this project should be on-line within seven years but that no site had been chosen yet. Mr. Wilson felt this project would be unlikely given the time period and the work that would have to be done. The GBRA Director did say that GBRA was starting a conservation easement project in the Martindale area. The Board discussed with Mr. Wilson.

2:33PM Mr. Twidwell made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Lipscomb seconded. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

President

Vice President

