

**Brewster County Groundwater Conservation District
Minutes of Hearing & Regular Meeting**

Thursday, December 21, 2023

**Val Clark Beard County Office Building Conference Room
203 N 7th St., Alpine, TX**

Hearing-Rules Changes – Called to Order at 8:01 am

Public attendees – Kade Killingsworth, Dr. Stephen Daugherty, Lauren Daugherty, Sydney Bauer, all in person; and Deborah Trejo, Attorney for the District attended via GoTo Meeting.

1. District Presentation-Notice was in the November 23, 2023 edition of the Alpine Avalanche. Director Urbanczyk discussed the 1.5 acre feet per 10 acres.
2. Public Comment – Discussion was had as to the Limited Production Permit allowing enough water at 1.5 acre feet per 10 acres. Suggestions were made to allow 1.5 acre feet per year (488,220 gallons) with 1 well per tract of land. Motion was made by Director Urbanczyk to amend the wording under 5.205 (4) to read for limited production permits, up to 1.5 acre feet per year (488,220 gallons), 2nd was made by Tom Mangrem, Motion passed.

Regular Meeting

1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Johnson at 9:48 a.m.
2. Determination of Quorum: In attendance were Joan Johnson, Colton Foster, Ambrosio Valles, Rush Warren, Tom Mangrem, Kevin Urbanczyk and Robbyn Hill, General Manager. Public attendees were Sydney Bauer, Dr. Stephen Daugherty, Lauren Daugherty, Kade Killingsworth and Deborah Trejo, Attorney for the District attended via GoTo Meeting.
3. Proof of Notice of Meeting – proof of Notice of the meeting was posted appropriately and timely with the Brewster County Clerk's Office and District Website.
4. Public Comment – None
5. Discuss/Act on: Approval of Minutes-Regular meeting, November 16, 2023, Motion to approve was made by Director Mangrem, 2nd made by Director Valles. Motion passed.
6. Discuss/Act on: Adopt District Rules as Amended: Motion made by Director Warren to approve the Final Order District Rules as amended, 2nd made by Director Foster. Motion passed.
7. Discuss/Act on: Board Confirmation of Approval by Chairman Johnson on November 16, 2023 for Arrowhead to drill well for Willow Creek Camping Co. on 20 acres in Terlingua Ranch after corrected paperwork was received. Motion made by Director Foster, 2nd was made by Director Valles, Motion passed.
8. Discuss/Act on: Well Applications and Approvals, Drilling reports, State Data
 - Exempt Well Drilling Application - Malana 'Alna, LLC, Paul Echart, 8.6 acres in Sunny Glen. Motion made by Director Warren for Skinner Drilling Service to drill well on the property, 2nd made by Director Foster. Motion passed.

- GM Hill Administratively approved application from Arrowhead Drilling for Exempt Well for Edward & Josephine Dosier, High Lonesome Dr., Sierra La Rana 11.276 acres; and exempt well Application from Skinner Drilling Service for Ashley Ranch, Hwy 118, 11,047 acres
- Arrowhead reported that Joe Franklin has decided not to drill a well on his 25 acres in Sierra La Rana.
- Well Report received from Skinner Drilling for T&R Land Co., Hovey Rd. 100+ GPM – exempt Livestock water well.
- 8 Wells Reports received from Arrowhead Drilling for Will Wood-Cathedral Mountain ranging from 3 GPM to 75 GPM – all exempt livestock water wells.
- Well Report received from Arrowhead for Willow Creek Camping Co., 20 acres in Terlingua Ranch, 30GPM. A Production Permit Application was also received in September. GM Hill administratively approved the Production permit application on December 19, 2023 for 1.5 acre feet and recommended proceeding with Production Permit Hearing. Motion made by Director Mangrem for hearing to take place at the meeting on January 25, 2024 at 8 am. 2nd was made by Director Warren. GM Hill will place Notice of Hearing in the Alpine Avalanche for the January 4, 2024 edition.
- Update on Well Monitors – the Rangers have been received. The forms to install the Rangers will need to be sent to those land owners that want the monitors on their wells.
- Director Mangrem discussed the recently approved Texas Proposition 6 creating the Texas Water Fund to assist in financing water projects. He suggested that the board ensure that Municipal Water Corporations are in compliance.

9. Closed Session – None

10. Discuss/Act on Reports:

- Chairman Johnson – Discussed Prop 6 and talked of working on getting the water corps in compliance with Production Permits and getting their wells registered.
- Discussed the TAGD meetings in February – look up dates for those that want to attend.
- General Manager Hill –working with Adeline to get the website transferred over to us. Hill requested utilizing Adeline for help with adding websites such as a clickable link for Halff, etc.

11. Discuss/Act on: Payment of Bills, Budget Line items, and Bank Reconciliations. – Motion to approve was made by Director Mangrem, 2nd made by Director Foster, Motion passed to approve.

12. Discuss/Act on: Next Meeting January 25, 2024, 8 a.m. to include Hearing on Production Permit for Willow Creek Camping Co in Terlingua Ranch

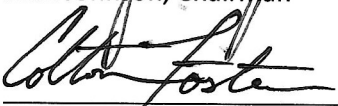
13. Adjournment: 10:21 a.m.



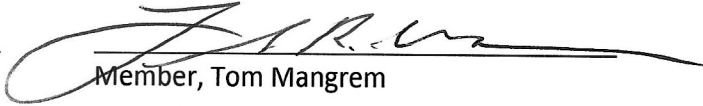
Joan Johnson, Chairman



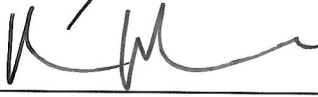
Tim Leary, Vice Chairman



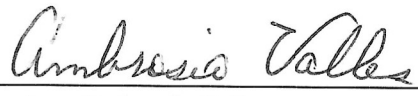
Secretary, Colton Foster



Member, Tom Mangrem



Member, Dr. Kevin Urbanczyk



Member, Ambrosio Valles



Member, Rush Warren