## Brewster County Groundwater Conservation District Minutes of Hearing & Regular Meeting Thursday, February 15, 2024

Val Clark Beard County Office Building Conference Room 203 N 7<sup>th</sup> St., Alpine, TX

## **Regular Meeting**

- 1. Meeting called to order by Chairman Johnson at 8:01 a.m.
- 2. <u>Determination of Quorum</u>: In attendance were Joan Johnson, Colton Foster, Ambrosio Valles, Rush Warren, Tom Mangrem, Kevin Urbanczyk, Tim Leary and Robbyn Hill, General Manager. Public attendees were Dr. Stephen Daugherty by GoTo Meeting, In person were Sydney Bauer, Don McGinnis, Amy Killingsworth and Aleisha Killingsworth.
- 3. <u>Proof of Notice of Meeting</u> 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. <u>Discuss/Act on: Approval of Minutes</u>-Regular meeting, January 25, 2024, Motion to approve was made by Director Urbanczyk, 2<sup>nd</sup> made by Director Leary. Motion passed.
- 6. <u>Discuss/Act on: Well Applications and Approvals, Drilling reports, State Data:</u>
  - Well Report received from Arrowhead for Tyler O'Brien, 110 High Lonesome Dr.,
    Sierra La Rana 24 acres. 1-1.5 GPM. Start date 1.23.24 end drill date 1.24.24.
  - Production reports for 2023 water usage has been received from the following:
    - GPP-001 for 65.2 acre ft. Permit allowed for 70 acre ft. Payment received
    - GPP-002 for 140.05 acre ft. Permit allowed for 297.5 acre ft. Payment rec'd
    - GPP-003-expired
    - GPP-004 for 32 acre ft. Permit allowed for 230 acre ft. Payment received
    - GPP-005-no report since 2019
    - GPP-006 for .57357. Permit allowed for 25 acre ft. Payment received
    - GPP-007, GPP-008 no report. Received letter from Arrowhead asking for an extension on the meter. Rio Grande Electric has not given power as of this time.
    - GPP-009 for .161730361 Permit allowed 1.1 acre ft. check is on the way.
  - Arrowhead emailed requesting an extension to set a meter for Willow Creek
    Camping Co. in Terlingua. They are not ready for installation.
  - Discussed a possible call to Halff regarding missing data from initial load for TWDB layer in mapping software.
- 7. <u>Discuss/Act on: Schedule a stakeholder meeting with drillers, realtors, government officials</u>
  - Committee shared a list of realtors and discussed ideas for meeting dates and time.
    Suggested the month of April and time to be 5:00-5:30 pm until 7:00-7:30 pm.
    Finger foods and drinks will be provided.
  - Chairman Johnson suggested the meeting to consist of short presentations on monitors, Rules Changes, Fee Schedule, Goals to get unregistered wells registered, Show the Halff website and the District Website
  - Need to put details in newspaper and on the radio and possible mail out.

- <u>Discuss/Act on: District Fee Schedule:</u> A Draft was shared with Directors and discussed. Motion to approve as presented was made by Director Leary; 2<sup>nd</sup> made by Director Urbanczyk
- 8. <u>Discuss/Act on: District Forms</u>
  - Talked about the need to update District Forms due to the Rules Changes in order to be compliant. The new Intent to Drill was discussed in length and completed.
  - Passed out additional "Draft" forms that were created for Directors to look over and add/delete verbiage. Detailed discussion was tabled until March meeting.
- 9. <u>Discuss/Act on: Monitor Installations</u>
  - Chairman Johnson reported that her meter and George Johnson's meter have been installed. Don McGinnis paperwork will be finalized today. Barry Beals' well/monitor is in Jeff Davis County. We have his approval to update his equipment. Sydney will follow up with all involved for installation date and time.
  - GM Hill will contact Carl Prudhomme and send paperwork if he's still interested in a monitor.
  - Sydney and Chairman Johnson will watch monitors tracking website to get familiar with the data and determine how the results will be used. Sydney will send a link to the Directors with sign on information.
- 10. Closed Session None
- 11. Discuss/Act on Reports:
  - Chairman Johnson
    - a. Letters will be written to all the Water Corps regarding registering and permitting their wells. This will be done before the March meeting.
    - b. Need to order an additional solar panel for the last monitor installation.
  - General Manager Hill
    - a. Received a notice from Tally Reed to renew Director Foster's bond.
    - b. Myself, Director Warren and Sydney will be attending Water Law 101 and Changing Face of Water Law, February 21-23 in San Antonio
    - c. Solar Panel has been ordered
- 12. <u>Discuss/Act on: Payment of Bills, Budget Line items, and Bank Reconciliations</u>. Motion to approve was made by Director Urbanczyk, 2<sup>nd</sup> made by Director Warren, Motion passed to approve.
- 13. <u>Discuss/Act on: Next Meeting</u>, March 21, 2024, 9 a.m. in Marathon at the Community Center.

14. Adjournment: 9:28 a.m.

Submitted by Robbyn Hill

Joan Johnson, Chairman

Tim Leary, Vice Chairman

Secretary, Colton Foster

Member, Tom Mangrem

Member, Dr. Kevin Urbanczyk

Member, Ambrosio Valles

Member, Rush Warren