



REGULAR MEETING MINUTES

Regular Meeting Minutes May 21, 2025

The Directors of the Colorado County Groundwater Conservation District met on May 21, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at the District Office located at 910 Milam Street, Columbus, Texas.

Directors Present: Marv Ulbricht, Rebecca Moulder, Ann Pavliska, Michael Lanier, Wanda Anglin
Directors Absent: Andy Labay, Al Mahalite
Staff Present: Aaron Weishuhn, Kim Ferguson
Guests: Cole Easterling

Vice President Ulbricht called the meeting to order at 7:35 p.m.

Meeting minutes dated March 19, 2025 were approved by unanimous consent.

The Board heard public comments from Cole Easterling.

GM Weishuhn presented a Class A Operating Permit application for Enatai Farms (OP-A-0235). Director Lanier moved to approve 18.0 ac-ft. over a three-year period and to require the installation of a meter. The motion was seconded by Director Pavliska and carried unanimously.

GM Weishuhn presented a Class B Operating Permit application (Amendment) for the City of Columbus (Golf Course) (EH-B-0008a). Director Anglin moved to approve the amendment for 302.1 ac-ft. over a three-year period. The motion was seconded by Director Pavliska and carried unanimously.

GM Weishuhn presented a Class B Operating Permit application (Amendment) for James Weishuhn et al (OP-B-0060). Director Anglin moved to approve the amendment for 143.75 ac-ft. over a three-year period. The motion was seconded by Director Moulder and carried unanimously.

GM Weishuhn presented a Class B Operating Permit application (Amendment) for 3E Investments (OP-B-0048a). Director Lanier moved to approve the amendment for 888.75 ac-ft. over a three-year period and to require the installation of a meter. The motion was seconded by Director Pavliska and carried unanimously.

GM Weishuhn reported on violations and open investigations:

Alleyton Resource (RES/VLS) – The assessed fine of \$500 has been paid. Alleyton Resource will submit monthly meter readings in the future.

Meyer Water Well – No response or fine has been received. TDLR is actively investigating.

Maral Drilling – Driller has failed to respond to attorney's demand letters. TDLR is actively investigating.

Alpha 777 – Property owner has failed to respond to attorney's demand letters. Director Lanier moved to file a property lien. The motion was seconded by Director Pavliska and carried unanimously.

Robichaux Land Company - \$400 fine was received in February 2025. To date, 2024 water use has not been submitted to the District. GM Weishuhn will follow up with the new property owner.

Neuendorff's Water Well Service – Driller failed to submit the State of Texas Well Report within 60 days of well completion (second violation). Director Pavliska moved to assess a fine of \$400. The motion was seconded by Director Lanier and carried unanimously.

Jimmie Class Farms – Landowner has exceeded permitted amounts of groundwater for two permitted wells. There are also discrepancies in submitted water use totals. By Board consensus, the landowner will be granted 30 days to submit an aggregate permit application and replace broken meters or incur possible fines.

GM Weishuhn and District's counsel, Monique Norman, plan to meet with Ralph Savino and his legal counsel on May 28, 2025 to discuss multiple permit amendments. The amendments would include revising ownership entities and the permitted amount of a current one-year permit.

GM Weishuhn reported that the Water Quality Database is live on the District's website.

GM Weishuhn reported that the District's Management Plan is complete and has been posted to the District's website.

GM Weishuhn reviewed the Water Well Monitoring Report.

GM Weishuhn reported that he attended a Region K Hearing in La Grange on May 14. His Region K membership is currently pending. He plans to attend the next meeting scheduled for July 2 in Austin. GM Weishuhn also attended a GMA 15 meeting in Wharton on April 9. The next GMA 15 meeting is scheduled for July 17, where the member representative for Region K will be named.

GM Weishuhn presented proposed amendments to District Rules and Regulations. A public hearing to consider and take action on the proposed amendments is scheduled for June 18, 2025.

GM Weishuhn presented an amended 2024/Q4 Investment Report for approval. Director Pavliska moved to approve the amended report. The motion was seconded by Director Moulder and carried unanimously.

GM Weishuhn presented the 2025/Q1 Investment Report. Director Moulder moved to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Director Anglin and approved unanimously.

OM Ferguson presented the March and April Expenditure Reports. Director Lanier moved to approve both reports. The motion was seconded by Director Anglin and carried unanimously.

Vice President Ulbricht adjourned the Regular Meeting at 8:34 p.m. to Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Government Code to discuss personnel matters.

Vice President Ulbricht reconvened the Regular Meeting at 10:27 p.m. Director Lanier moved to increase the District match for full time employees' retirement accounts from 3% to 5% based on the TAGD Salary Survey Report for groundwater conservation district employees. The motion was seconded by Director Pavliska and carried unanimously.

GM Weishuhn presented amendments to the District's Director and Employee Policy including policies for travel, lodging, sick time and vacation. Director Pavliska moved to approve the proposed amendments, adding that sick time and vacation shall take effect retroactively to January 1, 2025. The motion was seconded by Director Moulder and carried unanimously.

Vice President Ulbricht adjourned the meeting at 10:47 p.m.

Minutes submitted by: Kim Ferguson, Office Manager

Meeting minutes approved by:


Rebecca Moulder, Secretary


Date