

## COMAL TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

### Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting, February 18, 2019

The Regular Meeting of the Comal Trinity Groundwater Conservation District was noticed and held at 6:00 p.m. on February 18, 2019 at 9850 FM 311 Spring Branch, Texas 78070 (Curtis W. Bremer Emergency Services and Training Building).

1. Call to order

President Larry Hull called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Declare a quorum

Quorum declared with the following board members in attendance: Larry Hull, Jim Bower, David Davenport, Clint Dietert, Rob Johnson, and Jensie Madden. Absent: Dr. Larry Sunn.

3. Pledge of Allegiance

President Larry Hull led attendees in the pledge of allegiance.

4. Public comments

No public comments were offered.

5. Approve and Adopt minutes from prior meeting

a. In the absence of the Secretary, Larry Hull appointed Jensie Madden as Acting Secretary.

b. Minutes of the December 17, 2018 meeting were presented to the board members. Jim Bower moved to approve the minutes as presented. Clint Dietert seconded the motion. Motion passed 6 ayes and 0 nays.

6. Discuss and Consider Monthly District financials

Treasurer David Davenport reviewed the financial statements. The bank balance was \$265,893.67 as of January 31, 2019. Rob Johnson moved to accept the financial statements. Jim Bower seconded the motion. Motion passed 6 ayes and 0 nays.

7. Discuss and Consider late fee payment from the first quarter of 2018

a. Lalit Bhatnagar, Regional Director of Hanson Aggregates requested that the board suspend the late charge assessed for late payment of 1<sup>st</sup> quarter 2018 production fees. He stated that because the payment was sent to the previous post office box, then returned to sender, the payment was delayed.

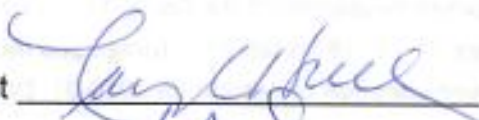
b. David Davenport moved to abate the late fee assessed on Hanson Aggregates. There being no second, the motion died. President Larry Hull announced that the late fee will be assessed.

8. Discuss and Consider a resolution in support of New Braunfels Utilities Aquifer Storage and Recovery (ASR) project and H.B. 481.

Rob Johnson explained Resolution No. 2019-01, a proposed Resolution of the Comal Trinity Groundwater Conservation District expressing support for the passage of H.B. 481 related to storage and recovery of potable water in the brackish portion of the Edwards Aquifer. He moved adoption of Resolution 2019-01. David Davenport seconded the motion. Motion passed 6 ayes and 0 nays.

9. Closed Session, Pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, the Board of Directors to deliberate personnel matters.  
At 6:20 p.m. President Larry Hull announced that the Board would adjourn to Executive Session pursuant to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code, to deliberate about personnel matters.
10. Discuss and Consider contractual personnel matters
- At 6:36 p.m. President Larry Hull called the regular board meeting back to order.
  - Rob Johnson moved to authorize Mr. H.L. Saur to hire Denise Kern as Administrative Assistant at a salary not to exceed \$1,000 per month, to begin as early as the last week in February. Jim Bower seconded the motion. Motion passed 6 ayes and 0 nays.
  - Rob Johnson moved that due to the unanticipated workload resulting from applications for new well authorizations, H.L. Saur's salary should be adjusted to \$4,000 per month, starting March 2019 with an adjustment of \$5000.00 for the prior period of September 2018 through February 2019. Jim Bower seconded the motion. The motion passed 6 ayes and 0 nays.
11. Update Board on current drought conditions, precipitation patterns and monitoring wells report and WelIntel status. General Manager H.L. Saur reported that according to the Palmer Drought Severity Index, Comal County's status was "no drought" in January 2019. Comal County has had 2 to 3 inches of precipitation from January 1 to February 18. Four wells are now being monitored using the WelIntel data collection system. No major changes in water levels have been noted. CTGCD will be adding six more monitored wells, and the Edwards Aquifer Authority will also add 10 wells that will monitor Trinity levels to report to CTGCD. WelIntel is updating their dashboard; H.L., and other board members who desire, will receive training.
12. Manager's Report
- The first well drilled under CTGCD rules was completed on January 21, 2019. To date, there have been 20 applications, 19 authorized, and 5 wells completed since the rules went into effect on January 1. One well was a test hole which completion would be determined after the geo-log and pump test.
  - Region L meeting was January 25, 2019. Jim Bower attended.
  - GMA 10 meeting was January 7, 2019. Jim Bower attended.  
GMA 9 meeting was February 4, 2019. Larry Hull attended. They appointed a committee to plan the process for upcoming Desired Future Conditions planning.
13. Correspondence – None to report.
14. Discussion and action regarding meeting date and agenda items for next meeting and adjourn.  
Next Meeting: Monday, June 17, 2019  
Meeting adjourned at 7:09 pm.

Larry Hull, President



Date

June 17, 2019

Dr. Larry Sunn, Secretary



Date

6/17/19