## **MINUTES**

## COMAL TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

## Monday November 18, 2024

Garden Ridge City Hall

9400 Municipal Parkway, Garden Ridge, TX 78266

NOTICE was given that the CTGCD Board of Directors would meet in regular session on Monday November 18, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in an open meeting, subject to the Open Meetings Law of the State of Texas, and as required by law, notice was duly posted providing time, place, date, and agenda thereof.

## Agenda of the Regular Session of CTGCD Board of Directors:

- 1. President Hull called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2. A quorum was declared with the following in attendance: Hull, Davenport, Brown, Jackson, and Lock.
- 3. Pledge of Allegiance was observed.
- 4. Hull introduced Mr. Pohl who is chairman of The Garden Ridge Water Commission. Mr. Pohl recognized Don Stone and Dr. Richard Carmichael, which were also in attendance and members of the Garden Ridge Water Commission. Hull then recognized that Jesús Valdez and Lisa Swint were attending, and they are city council members of The City of Garden Ridge.
- 5. Public Comment: No public comments were made.
- 6. The Consent Agenda, consisting of the following items, were considered.
  - a. Board Meeting Minutes, August 19, 2024.
  - b. Financial statements and Expenditures for the third quarter 2024.

Davenport moved to approve the Consent Agenda and Brown seconded. Motion carried 5-0.

- 7. The Board discussed the renewal of Texas Alliance of Groundwater District's membership. Brown moved to approve renewal and Lock seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- 8. The proposed 2025 budget was discussed and considered. The current insurance company CTGCD is enrolled with will be increasing in price after the approved budget has been sent to the insurance provider. The budget has been updated accordingly. Davenport moved to approve the 2025 budget as updated, and Brown seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- 9. The Board discussed Requirements for Approval of adding Mr. Haack as a signer to District financials. Davenport moved to approve the motion and Lock seconded. Motion carried 5-0.
- 10. Dr. Brown gave a presentation on the Explanatory Report Process along with definitions of the MAG and DFC calculations. The District plans to host a workshop in the future to address details of the DCF planning cycle.
- 11. General Manager's And District Activities Report
  - a. Report on prior quarter drought conditions, precipitation patterns and monitoring wells; Assistant General Manager, Carl Haack reported that Comal County is experiencing severe to extreme drought conditions. The past 30 days had between 0.01"- 0.1" of precipitation observed which was between -3.0"-5.0" below normal across the county. The CTGCD monitor wells #3, 6, 10, 12, 14, 15, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, and 22 show a decrease in water levels ranging from -0.17' to -13.36'. Wells #1, 2, 5, 8, 9, 11, 13, and 16 showed an increase in water levels ranging from 0.06' to 2.11' for the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2024.
  - b. Report on the Third quarters 2024 non-exempt groundwater data; GMA 9 users reported 1,160-acre feet making a total of 3,350 acre-feet for the year which is 36% of GMA 9's MAG. GMA 10 users reported 2,272-acre feet making a total of 5,857 acre-feet for the year which is 18% of GMA 10's MAG.
  - c. Report on prior quarter well authorizations; The report on prior quarter well authorizations showed 29 applications received, 21 approved, and 24 borings completed during the 3<sup>rd</sup> quarter of 2024.

- d. Report on CTGCD activity in support of water conservation and rainwater harvesting education. Rain Bees conducted 25 meetings around Comal County to educate the public about Rainwater Catchment and Conservation. This information and future presentations are available on the District's web page.
- e. Report on other items of importance: Mr. Haack reported that 8 new wells and 2 old wells were successfully logged in the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter of 2024 and 4 new wells were successfully logged early in the 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter of 2024. President Hull attended a Region L meeting on 10/22/2024 and another Region L meeting on 11/7/2024. At these meetings they spoke of the importance of the accuracy of the MAG.
- f. Report on most recent GMA 9 meetings (09/17/2024 Attended by Brown). Brown said the meeting was focused on the nine points of an explanatory report led by AGS Consulting.
- g. Report on most recent GMA 10 meeting (09/23/2024, Attended by Jackson.). Collier Consulting led a discussion about the explanatory report.
- 12. The Board adjourned the regular session at 7:00 p.m. and entered a Closed Executive Session Pursuant to Government Code Section 551.074 Deliberation of Personnel Matters.

  The Board resumed the Regular Agenda at 7:24 p.m.:
- 13. The Board discussed H.L. Saur's retirement. Lock moved to approve Saur's retirement effective 02/28/2025 and Jackson seconded. Motion carried 5-0
- 14. The Board discussed promoting Carl Haack to General Manger. Locked moved to approve promoting Haack to assume the General Manager position effective 03/01/2025 and Jackson seconded, Motion carrying 5-0.
- 15. The Board agreed to tentatively set the next meeting date of February 24, 2024, at 9850 FM 311 Spring Branch, TX 78070. The meeting was adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

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President

Secretary