

COMAL TRINITY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
MINUTES of Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

NOTICE was given and the CTGCD Board of Directors met in regular session on Monday, May 23, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at the ESD 4 Building #6, 9850 FM 311, Spring Branch, Texas.

- 1) President Larry Hull called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
- 2) President Hull declared a quorum with six board members present: Larry Hull, Rob Johnson, Larry Sunn, David Davenport, Larry Jackson, and Connie Lock. Absent: Alan Brown.
- 3) President Hull led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- 4) Introductions: no officials in attendance
- 5) Public Comments were heard from three county residents:
 - A) Jack Bouvier commented about attending GMA9 meeting and was pleased to see CTGCD board member Alan Brown in attendance.
 - B) Mike Poffenberger commented that he also attended the GMA9 meeting and noted the positive collaboration he saw between water districts. He mentioned early public comment and involvement is expected.
 - C) Lindy Sisk mentioned concerns regarding large new housing community planned and the expected wastewater handling. He mentioned Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance was requesting a public hearing with the developer.
- 6) Director Sunn made a Motion to approve Consent Agenda
 - A) Board Meeting Minutes, February 28, 2022.
 - B) Financial Statement and Expenditures for the first quarter 2022.Davenport seconded. No discussion and Consent Agenda passed, 6 – 0.
- 7) General Manager’s Report on the first quarter 2022 was presented by H.L. Saur:
 - A) Report on drought conditions, precipitation patterns and monitoring wells; The current drought conditions per the Palmer Drought Index shows 48.89 of Comal County in moderate drought and 50.31 in severe drought. Precipitation was 1-3” below normal and observed precipitation was between ¼” to 1-1/2” across the county. First quarter monitor wells data was discussed in detail, with trend towards lower water levels, 9 of 11 were down from January. Also, two TWDB monitor wells were presented with comparison to one year ago (-3.32’ for 6815211 and +17.39’ for 6807407) and since start of monitoring; 6815211 with 12 years data (-6.56’ year) and 6807407 with 24 years data (-52.09’).
 - B) Report non-exempt groundwater data was discussed and both GMA-9 and GMA-10 were well below the allotted MAG. GMA-9 reported 948 acre-feet out of 10,076 MAG and GMA-10 reported 1991 acre-feet out of 33,554 MAG. Three percent of non-exempt reporters use less than 10 acre-feet per year. Non-exempt usage by type was 27% Industrial use, 2% Irrigation, and 71% Public Water.
 - C) Report on well authorizations; Fourth quarter saw 35 domestic well applications, 2 Industrial or Commercial less than 25,000 gallons, 1 Public Water well greater than 25,000 gpd, 1 test bore, and four plugging applications received during the quarter.
 - D) Additional general report:
 - i) GMA-10 will meet May 25, 2022, and GM H.L. Saur and Director Jackson will attend.
 - ii) H.L Saur thanked Larry and Mary Paz Hull for providing two executive desks for the office.
 - iii) H.L. Saur noted that he would like to see the Rules, Policies & Procedures committee meet prior to third quarter meeting.
 - iv) H.L. Saur reported on district coordination with TWDB investigation of one driller. Also, has had good response on GPS coordinate corrections submitted for proper well placement on State map.

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- v) Director Sunn gave a summary report on rainwater conservation activities of Sunn & Grainger Rain Bees Consultants since last meeting: A presentation was given at the AgriLife Center open house (4/30/22), fifteen on-site consultations occurred, nine visits to Sunn property to see system, four related articles published, and fourteen phone/email consultations were made. Director Sunn has scheduled a presentation at Tye Preston Library on May 26, 2022.
- 8) Director Jackson reported on the HTGCD and HCA presentation he attended April 12, 2022: “Groundwater: Planning for the Future”.
- 9) Director Brown attended the GMA-9 Planning meeting (05/09/2022). In his absence, GM H.L. Saur discussed Brown’s submitted notes on that meeting. This was the first meeting of the new five-year planning cycle with presentation by Natalie Belew of TWDB. The report deadline for GMA-9 is May 1, 2026, with final document due to TCEQ by January 5, 2027. Brown reported there was discussion about creating a Consulting Committee to work on Modeling and related issues.
- 10) President Hull called to adjourn at 6:34 p.m. to Executive Session under OMA Section 551.074 to deliberate personnel matters.
- 11) President Hull called to resume regular meeting at 6:55 p.m.
- 12) Pursuant to Executive Session the following actions were called:
 - A) Director Johnson moved to hire Carl Haack as an independent contractor for the Assistant General Manager position with a monthly compensation of \$4,500.00. Sunn seconded and motion carried, six ayes, zero nays.
 - B) Director Johnson moved to increase the compensation of the Administrator to \$3,000.00 per month. Director Sunn seconded, and motion carried, six ayes, zero nays.
- 13) Director Johnson called motion to authorize General Manager to convert staff from independent contractor to payroll employees later this year at his discretion. Lock seconded, motion carried, six ayes, zero nays.
- 14) President Hull stated that the next regular meeting will be held September 19, 2022, at Vintage Oaks. Meeting to include a Q&A workshop, a presentation from Canyon Lake Water Service Company representative, and a rainwater harvesting presentation, as well as the regular meeting of the Board. President Hull adjourned the meeting at 7:21 p.m.