

# LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

February 11, 2014

## MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District ("District") held a "Special Meeting," open to the public, in the Lone Star GCD – James B. "Jim" Wesley Board Room located at 655 Conroe Park North Drive, Conroe, Texas, within the boundaries of the District on February 11, 2014.

President Tramm called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m., announcing that it was now open to the public.

The roll was called of the members of the Board of Directors, to wit:

Sam Baker  
John D. Bleyl, PE  
Jace Houston  
Roy McCoy, Jr.  
Rick J. Moffatt  
Jim Stinson, PE  
Richard J. Tramm  
M. Scott Weisinger, PG  
W. B. Wood

All members of the Board were present, with the exception of Directors Baker, Houston and Weisinger, thus constituting a quorum of the Board of Directors. Also, in attendance at said meeting were Kathy Turner Jones, District General Manager; Paul R. Nelson, Assistant General Manager; Brian L. Sledge, General Counsel; District staff; and members of the public. Copies of the public sign-in sheets are attached hereto as Exhibit "A".

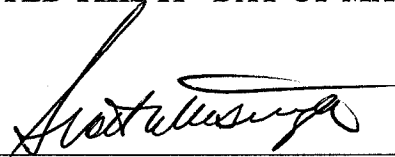
After a proper and legally sufficient announcement to the public by President Tramm, the Board of Directors went into a Closed Executive Session at 9:05 a.m. pursuant to Texas Government Code, Sections 551.071, to consult with the District's attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers, or on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.

Director Weisinger arrived at 9:06 a.m.

Following Executive Session, the Board reconvened in Open Session and declared it open to the public at 10:07 a.m.

No action was taken on matters discussed in Executive Session and the meeting was adjourned at 10:07 a.m.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 11<sup>th</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2014.**



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M. Scott Weisinger, PG, Board Secretary

# LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

February 11, 2014

## MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PERMIT APPLICATIONS

The Board of Directors of the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District ("District") met in regular session, open to the public, in the Lone Star GCD – Board Room located at 655 Conroe Park North Drive, Conroe, Texas, within the boundaries of the District on February 11, 2014.

### CALL TO ORDER:

President Tramm called to order the Public Hearing on Permit Applications at 10:17 a.m., announcing the meeting open to the public.

### ROLL CALL:

The roll was called of the members of the Board of Directors, to wit:

Sam W. Baker  
John D. Bleyl, PE  
Jace Houston  
Roy McCoy, Jr.  
Rick J. Moffatt  
Jim Stinson, PE  
Richard J. Tramm  
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All members of the Board were present with the exception of Director Baker and Director Houston, thus constituting a quorum of the Board of Directors. Also, in attendance at said meeting were Kathy Turner Jones, General Manager; Paul R. Nelson, Assistant General Manager; Brian L. Sledge, General Counsel; Mark Lowry, District Consultant; District staff; and members of the public. *Copies of the public sign-in sheets are attached hereto as Exhibit "A".*

Item #1, **Tam Nguyen Retreat Center** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 1,000,000 gallons for 2013 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #2, **May Hay (Uni-Fab Inc)** - This is an existing well staff found in non-compliance. Applicant is requesting registration of the well and production authorization in the amount of 100,000 gallons for 2014 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #3, **Midway Stores, Inc. DBA Midway #7** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 82,000 gallons for 2013 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #4, **East Fork Water Company (Old Humble Pipeline)** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 125,000 gallons for 2013 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #5, **East Fork Water Company (Exxon Road)** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 50,000 gallons for 2013 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #6, **Denbury Onshore, LLC (FM 1314)** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 51,650 gallons for 2013 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #7, **Denbury Onshore, LLC (Gulf Coast Road)** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 427,407 gallons for 2013 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #8, **Monarch Utilities, Inc. (Decker Hills/Park Place)** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 10,000,000 gallons for 2013 and annually thereafter. The SJRA GRP Administrator has been notified by email and has not submitted any comments on the request. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #9, **Lazy Lane Mobile Home Park** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to a Historic Use Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 1,236,750 gallons for 2013 and 1,500,000 gallons for 2014 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #10, **Sultanali Maknojia (242 Express Mart)** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 240,000 gallons for 2013 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #11, **Jim Oates** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 3,500,000 gallons for 2014 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #12, **Montgomery County MUD 139** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for drilling authorization for a new well. No additional production authorization is being requested at this time. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #13, **Williams Brothers Construction** - Applicant is requesting registration and drilling authorization to construct a new well with production authorization in the amount of 2,000,000 gallons for 2014 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

Item #14, **Marilyn Walker** - This is an existing well staff found in non-compliance. Applicant is requesting registration of the well and production authorization in the amount of 2,500,000 gallons for 2014 and annually thereafter. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to authorize a reduced amount of 1,200,000 gallons for 2014 and annually thereafter.

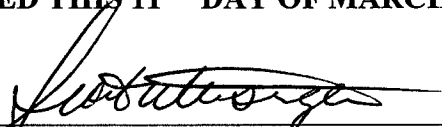
Item #15, **Point Aquarius MUD (AWS Well)** - Applicant is requesting an amendment to an Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 180,000,000 gallons for 2014 and annually thereafter. The SJRA GRP Administrator has been notified by email and has not submitted any comments on the request. Based on technical review of the information supplied, it is the General Manager's recommendation to approve that which is being requested.

The first motion was made by Director Stinson, and seconded by Director Bleyl to approve items #1-13, and item #15 in accordance with the General Manager's recommendations. Director Weisinger abstained from voting on items #12, Montgomery County MUD 139, and #15, Point Aquarius MUD (AWS Well), and the motion passed.

The second motion was made by Director Stinson, and seconded by Director Bleyl to approve item #14, Marilyn Walker, in accordance with the General Manager's reduced recommendation. The motion passed unanimously.

President Tramm adjourned the public hearing on permit applications at 10:21 a.m.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 11<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF MARCH, 2014.**



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M. Scott Weisinger, PG, Board Secretary

# LONE STAR GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

February 11, 2014

## MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District ("District") met in regular session, open to the public, in the Lone Star GCD - James B. "Jim" Wesley Board Room located at 655 Conroe Park North Drive, Conroe, Texas, within the boundaries of the District on February 11, 2014.

### CALL TO ORDER:

President Tramm called to order the regular Board of Directors meeting at 10:21 a.m. announcing that it was open to the public.

### ROLL CALL:

The roll was called of the members of the Board of Directors, to wit:

Sam Baker  
John D. Bleyl, PE  
Jace Houston  
Roy McCoy, Jr.  
Rick J. Moffatt  
Jim Stinson, PE  
Richard J. Tramm  
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All members of the Board were present, with the exception of Directors Baker and Houston, thus constituting a quorum of the Board of Directors. Also, in attendance at said meeting were Kathy Turner Jones, General Manager; Brian L. Sledge, General Counsel; Mark Lowry, District Consultant; District staff; and members of the public. *Copies of the public sign-in sheets are attached hereto as Exhibit "A".*

### APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES:

President Tramm stated the Board would consider all meeting minutes listed as one item. Upon review of the following, a motion was made by Director Wood, seconded by Director Stinson, and unanimously carried, to approve the meeting minutes:

- a) January 14, 2014, Special Board Meeting
- b) January 14, 2014, Public Hearing on Permit Applications
- c) January 14, 2014, Regular Board of Directors Meeting

## **PUBLIC COMMENT:**

In the interest of time, Chairman Tramm moved the Public Comment up on the agenda. State Representative District 16 Candidate Gary Louie spoke to the board about his commitment to the importance of managing the state's water resources, and indicated his willingness to meet individually with members of District staff and/or board members.

## **COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

### **Water Awareness and Conservation Committee - Billy Wood, Chair**

Briefing on Committee Activities - Director Wood reported that the committee had not met since the last board meeting. He asked Marlisa Briggs to update the Board on public outreach efforts and conservation activities since the last Board meeting.

Briefing on Public Outreach Efforts - Marlisa Briggs, Education/Public Awareness Coordinator. Mrs. Briggs' presentation highlighted the following public outreach efforts:

- Leadership Montgomery County project
- Ongoing e-blasts, press releases and social media communications
- Monthly Dock Lines article
- Participation with Woodlands Chamber of Commerce's Legislative Committee, specifically the February Meet the Candidates/Whistle Stop event
- Participation with Gulf Coast Water Conservation Symposium
- Upcoming Events and Speaking Engagements

Update on Conservation Efforts - Paul R. Nelson, Assistant General Manager  
In Mr. Nelson's absence, Marlisa Briggs briefed the Board on the following conservation activities:

- Presentation at the Gulf Coast Water Conservation Symposium
- MUD Board of Director Meetings: MUD 83, MUD 2, MUD 112
- Presentation at the Men's Club of Walden

### **Rules Development Committee - Kathy Turner Jones, Coordinator**

Briefing on Committee Activities – Kathy Turner Jones, Coordinator. Ms. Jones asked Brian Sledge to update the Board on the most recent committee meeting, which was held the previous week. Mr. Sledge reported that the committee continues to review the rules in order to make conforming changes to old rules so that they are consistent with the District Regulatory Plan and to implement changes from the legislature that have taken place since the rules were last amended.

### **Policy and Personnel Development Committee - Sam W. Baker, Chair**

Briefing on Committee Activities - Ms. Jones stated the committee did not have a report.



### **Findings and Review Committee - Paul Nelson, Coordinator**

Briefing on Committee Activities - In Mr. Nelson's absence, Ms. Jones reported that the committee had not met since the last Board meeting.

### **Budget and Finance Development Committee - Jim Stinson, Chair**

Briefing on Committee Activities - Director Stinson stated that the committee had not met since the last Board meeting, however there will be a budget meeting scheduled in the near future in order to prepare a budget for presentation to the board.

Review of Monthly Financial Reports - Director Stinson reported that the financial statement indicated an actual income of \$1,217,000 compared to expenses of \$130,000.

### **Building and Facilities Committee - Kathy Turner Jones, Coordinator**

Briefing on Committee Activities - Ms. Jones reported that the committee had not met, but weather has delayed progress on the detention pond redevelopment project. A contract has been signed for the dirt work, and the project is expected to begin once weather conditions are cooperative.

### **ENGINEERING REPORT:**

Mark Lowry, District Consultant, stated that a copy of his report is included in the Board packet and offered to answer any questions. Mr. Lowry spent the majority of his time working on permits, GRP audits and early conversion credit verifications.

### **GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:**

Ms. Jones informed the Board that most of her activities were included in the General Manager's Report found in their packets. She noted that a summary of the audit process is included in her report. Of the 33 GRPs, all but seven have been received on time. Staff is working to communicate with those seven to complete the process, and visiting with legal counsel on specific action needed. She also encouraged all board members to attend the annual TWCA conference scheduled for March 5-7 in The Woodlands.

### **GENERAL COUNSEL'S REPORT:**

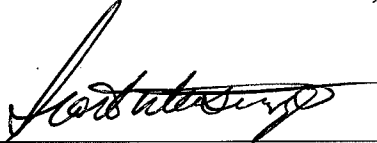
Mr. Sledge echoed Ms. Jones' encouragement to attend the upcoming conference. Mr. Sledge noted he will be speaking at the event. He also gave a legislative update with regard to groundwater issues. He and staff have been working with a number of permittees to help evaluate their proposals regarding possible alternative sources of water.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

There was no new business to discuss.

There being no further business, upon a motion by Director Weisinger, seconded by Director Baker, President Tramm adjourned the meeting at 10:56 a.m.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 11TH DAY OF MARCH, 2014.**

  
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M. Scott Weisinger, PG, Board Secretary