

Bandera County River Authority and Groundwater District

Quarterly Meeting

April 8, 2021

MINUTES

Meeting Held via:

<http://zoom.us>

Meeting ID: 846 0924 2465

Passcode: BCragD

START TIME: 9:01 A.M.

PRESENT: D. Sloan, B. Williams, E. DeWinne, N. Boultinghouse, R. Mulherin, C. Striegl

ABSENT: G. Wehmeyer, S. Gibson

General Manager: D. Mauk

BCRAGD Staff: H. Phillips

I. Call to Order, Roll Call, Pledge of Allegiance, Certification of Quorum, and Compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Law.

D. Sloan called the meeting to order at 9:01am and N. Boultinghouse, Treasurer, announced that a quorum was present.

II. Public Comment.

H. Phillips stated: "All public comments (see attachment A) submitted prior to the start of this meeting have been circulated to the board of directors and entered into the record. It is not necessary to re-read them. If you have not submitted a public comment and wish to make a public comment, please note that per board policy your time limit is 3 minutes."

There were no additional public comments.

III. Discuss and Consider for Action: Approval of January 14, 2021 Quarterly Meeting Minutes.

E. DeWinne motioned to approve the January 14, 2021 Quarterly Meeting Minutes as presented and R. Mulherin seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

IV. Discuss and Consider for Action: Approval of YoungLife Well Permit for an Instantaneous Rate of 100 GPM with an Annual Production Limit of 100 acre-feet.

D. Mauk stated the following prior to giving his recommendation: "There is no current evidence that the Lower Trinity and Middle Trinity communicate with each other. The Lower Trinity does not contribute to spring flow. Public Water Supplies are for drinking water."

D. Mauk recommended to the board that they authorize 100 GPM and 45 acre-feet, and that all wells that need to be permitted must be accounted for, and permit applications and fees turned into TCEQ. The Public Water Supply approval letter and annual pumping reports will be reviewed, and if the authorized amount needs to be adjusted, the District will issue a permit amendment.

B. Williams motioned to approve D. Mauk's recommendation and N. Boultinghouse seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

V. Discuss and Consider for Action: Approval of Bids to Drill Monitor Well Outside of Tarpley.

Buddy's Water Well Service has the cheapest bid of \$16,075 with an additional \$500 for the pit required for the cutting.

E. DeWinne motioned to approve the bid from Buddy's Water Well Service to drill a monitor well outside of Tarpley and R. Mulherin seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

VI. Discuss and Consider for Action: Resolution supporting HB 4146 and SB 1747.

D. Mauk explained that these bills were against the discharge of effluent into a watercourse and that supporting these bills aligned with the District's purpose to protect the natural resources of the State of Texas.

B. Williams motioned to adopt the Resolution supporting HB 4146 and SB 1747 and E. DeWinne seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

VII. Discuss and Consider for Action: BCragd Quarterly Budget Report / Public Funds Report.

D. Mauk stated that the District funds totaled \$620,095.00 with a breakdown of \$512,278.00 in the BCragd Operating account, \$30,025.00 in the Flood Project Checking account and \$200 in petty cash. Additionally there is \$76,593 in a CD at Hondo National Bank. The Funds Breakdown demonstrates \$30,025 in Flood Project checking account, \$518,788 of Non-Designated Funds and \$71,282 of Designated funds categorized for State Auditor, Well Monitoring and Water Availability, Scientific Studies, and Building, Property Improvement and Maintenance.

E. DeWinne motioned to accept the BCragd Quarterly Budget Report/ Public Funds Report and N. Boultinghouse seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

VIII. Discuss and Consider for Action: Moving Funds to District Flood Account from Bandera Bank.

D. Mauk recommended moving \$10,000 to cover the \$7,500 remaining on an invoice and the remaining \$2,500 that the District owes to complete the project.

E. DeWinne made a motion to approve D. Mauk's recommendation and B. Williams seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

IX. Discuss and Consider for Action: Overview of FY 2020 District Annual Report.

D. Mauk stated that the annual report is a requirement for our management plan and available on the website.

E. DeWinne motioned to accept the FY 2020 District Annual Report as presented and R. Mulherin seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

X. Annual Evaluation of the Groundwater Resources, DFC Compliance, and Surface Water Quality in Bandera County.

D. Mauk stated that this is also a requirement and is located within the annual report. It has been added as a stand alone agenda item after the state audit.

N. Boultinghouse motioned to approve the Annual Evaluation of the Groundwater Resources, DFC Compliance, and Surface Water Quality in Bandera County as presented and E. DeWinne seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0.

XI. General Manager Report: Activities of the District – 2nd Quarter FY 2021.

General Manager, D. Mauk, gave the Board an overview of the District's 2nd Quarter FY 2021 Activities which included: Registered and Permitted Well Report Numbers, Nuisance Complaints, Variance Requests, Notice of Violations, Groundwater Tests, Water Well Plugging, Geophysical Logging, and Monitor Well Report.

The report also included Surface Water Evaluation & Reports, In-House Surface Water Quality Monitoring Report, Medina Lake Update, Aquatic Life Monitoring, EAA Sampling, Public Service Announcements, Staff Highlights, Invasive Species Updates, and the Drought Monitor.

Also included in the GM Report were the Education & Outreach Highlights, Social Media Highlights, Flood Early Warning System Update, Rainspotter Data, and Covid-19.

XII. Presentation from Levi Sparks on Invasive Species.

Levi Sparks gave a brief presentation on Invasive Species in Bandera County and the projects the District participates in regarding them.

XIII. Informational Item – Drought Stage, Water Conservation Handouts, Rainwater Harvesting Materials, Future Meeting Date.

D. Mauk stated that education materials and current drought conditions are available on the District Website. The next Quarterly Meeting will be July 8, 2021.

XIV. Adjournment.

B. Williams motioned to adjourn the meeting and E. DeWinne seconded the motion. Motion passed 6-0 and the meeting adjourned at 9:53am.

Approved by:

Don Sloan
Don Sloan (BCRAGD President)

5/20/2021
Date

Neil Boultinghouse
Neil Boultinghouse (BCRAGD Secretary/Treasurer)

5/20/21
Date