

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE PINEYWOODS
GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
HELD ON THE 16th DAY OF OCTOBER, 2019**

On the 16th day of October, 2019, at 1:30 p.m. at Kurth Lodge in Angelina County, Texas, the Board of Directors of the Pineywoods Groundwater Conservation District convened in a regular meeting at which time the following items were discussed and action possibly taken with the following members thereof, to wit:

Keith Wright	President
David Alders	Vice President
Kelley Holcomb	Member
Stephen Raley	Member

being present, and

Jimmy Mize	Treasurer
Gloria Montes	Secretary
Tommy Carswell	Member

being absent, and

John McFarland	General Manager
Cheryl Benke	Administrative Assistant

also present.

1. Call to Order.

With a quorum of Board members present, the meeting was called to order at 1:30 p.m. by President Keith Wright. Vice-President Alders gave the invocation.

2. Approval of the minutes of the meeting of July 10, 2019.

The Minutes were reviewed by Board members. A motion was made by Stephen Raley to approve the minutes, and it was seconded by David Alders. The motion passed unanimously.

3. General Manager's financial report.

a. Review and approval, if needed, of bills, banking, and other financials.

John McFarland reviewed the financial reports with Board members and noted that beginning balance as of last meeting was \$27,008.80 and balance as of September 30, 2019, was \$42,365.31.

4. General Manager's District report.

a. Wells report

9 pending exempt wells and 1 rig supply; total completed wells in database: 1,145 exempt wells, 287 non-exempt, 544 rig supply, 27 frac, 199 production, and 604 plugged.

b. District updates

- Moved CD from Texas Bank to Commercial Bank of Texas.
- Received complaint regarding new truck stop on US 259 North.
- Participated in television interview with Donna McCollum of KTRE regarding abandoned well sites.
- Responded to two requests for information about plugging private wells.
- Responded to request for information about home owner drilling their own well.
- Responded to request for information about unlicensed public water system wells.
- Responded to request for variance for required setback for well from property line.
- Attended Farm Bureau's "Ag in the Classroom" event at Nacogdoches Expo Center (estimated 500 participants).
- Conducted "Abandoned Water Well Awareness" event for SFA Forestry students (estimated 25 participants).
- Responded to complaint from TDLR regarding possible leaking community water system.

5. Old Business

None

6. New Business

a. Public hearing regarding proposed changes to PGCD Rules.

The public hearing was opened at 1:50 to hear comments about the proposed rule changes that were merely to update statute numbering in the Texas Administrative Code. There being no comments, the hearing was closed and the regular meeting was continued at 1:55. David Alders then moved that the proposed PGCD rule changes be

approved, and Stephen Raley seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

b. Discuss Board member terms renewing 12/31/19.

John McFarland advised the Board that Jimmy Mize and Keith Wright's terms will expire on December 31st. Keith Wright advised the Board that he did not wish to serve another term, so someone will be appointed to replace him to represent the City of Lufkin. John McFarland will contact Jim Jeffers, City Manager of Nacogdoches, regarding Jimmy Mize's expiring term.

c. Set date for PGCD 2019 Budget Committee meeting.

Keith Wright appointed Jimmy Mize, Gloria Montes, and Kelley Holcomb to serve on the Budget Committee. The committee will meet in early November to prepare a proposed budget for 2020.

d. Review and possibly approve the 3rd quarter investment report.

Kelley Holcomb moved that the investment report be approved as submitted, and Stephen Raley seconded his motion. The motion was approved unanimously.

e. Conduct General Manager's 6-month performance evaluation.

The Board complimented John for his work during the last 6 months, but they advised him that they would not do a performance review until he has completed a year with the District.

7. Announcement of the date and location of the next meeting of the District Board of Directors.

The next Board meeting will be held on December 11, 2019, at Kurth Lake Lodge if that location is available.

8. Adjourn:

The meeting was adjourned by President Wright at 2:00 p.m.

Keith Wright, President

Gloria Montes, Secretary