

**MINUTES OF A BUSINESS MEETING OF
THE PINEYWOODS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
HELD ON THE 10th DAY OF MAY, 2023**

On the 10th day of May, 2023, 1:30 p.m. in Kurth Lodge at Kurth Lake, Angelina County, Texas, the Board of Directors of the Pineywoods Groundwater Conservation District convened in a Regular Business meeting at which time the following items were discussed and action taken with the following members thereof, to wit:

Business Meeting

1 Call to Order & establish a quorum:

Called to order: President - Jimmy Mize

Start time: 1:30

Invocation: President - Jimmy Mize

Board Members Present:

President - Jimmy Mize

Treasurer - Tommy Carswell

Secretary - Gloria Montes

Director - Stephen Raley

Absent:

Vice President - David Alders

Director - Kevin Gee

Director - Roger Russell

Also present:

General Mgr. - John McFarland

Admin. Asst. - Wil Blough

2 Public Comments: None

3 Approval of the minutes of the meeting, February 8, 2023

a. **Discussion:** None

b. **Motion to approve:** Stephen Raley **Second:** Tommy Carswell

c. **Motion Carried**

4 General Manager's Financial Report:

a. **Review bills, banking & other financials.**

b. **Discussion:** Large number of permits issued causing increase in income overcoming shortfall in Production.

c. **Motion to approve:** Stephen **Second:** Tommy

d. **Motion carried**

5 Review & possibly approve 1st quarter 2023 investment report.

a. **Discussion:** Moved \$65,000 out of checking, into TexPool in February. Increase in interest paid with move to TexPool & increase in rates for CD's. Expecting interest rates to go lower in the near future. Working to consolidate CD's into four

total over the year, one for each quarter. Available cash will not be negatively impacted with this strategy since TexPool money is available in one day.

- b. **Motion to approve:** Stephen **Second:** Tommy
- c. **Motion Carried**

6 General Manager's District Report

- a. **Well Report:** 26 Exempt wells, 5 Non-exempt wells, & 3 Fee Based wells, pending in the quarter. 20 Exempt wells, 5 Non-exempt wells, 3 Rig Supply wells, & 2 Production/Fee Based wells completed in the quarter.

- b. **District updates:**

1. Replied to multiple requests for well drillers in the area.
2. Attended Region D Water Planning Group meeting, TAGD Quarterly Conference, Region I water planning group meeting, Conference of Water Issues for East Texas (Hosted by USDA).
3. Met with Highway Construction contractors to identify abandoned water wells & discuss proper plugging procedures.
4. Discussed adding a monitor well with property owner.
5. Drought appears to be over, according to map of drought conditions.

7 Review Investment Policy:

- a. **Discussion:** Max CD Maturities may be an issue. They are currently at 12 months. Requesting we look into changing that to 18 months. Will need to make that an agenda item for next meeting and have public notice for public input into the change.

8 Review proposed changes to Management Plan:

- a. **Discussion:** Informed Board of process to update the Plan, according to TWDB requirements. Waiting on response to draft presented to TWDB. Deadline to have update completed, approved by Board, and turned in to TCEQ is December 3, 2023.

9 Announcement of the date and location of the next quarterly business meeting:

- a. **Tentative Date:** August 16, 2023, 1:30 p.m., Kurth Lodge.

10 Adjourn:

- a. **Closed by & Time:** President – Jimmy Mize, 2:09 p.m.

Jimmy Mize, President

Gloria Montes, Secretary