

**MINUTES OF A BUSINESS MEETING OF
THE PINEYWOODS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
HELD ON THE 17th DAY OF AUGUST, 2022**

On the 17th day of August, 2022, 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 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: Treasurer, Tommy Carswell

Start time: 1:32

Board Members Present:

Tommy Carswell

Gloria Montes

Kevin Gee

Roger Russell

Stephen Raley

David Alders

Absent:

Jimmy Mize

Also present:

John McFarland

Wil Blough

Dan Raney – Goff & Herrington

Walter Mclendon – Woodlawn WSC

- 2 Public Comments:** Walter looking for insight into projected cost & conservation efforts of the area water supply companies. John to get with him after looking into.

3 Presentation & approval of Annual Audit

Presented by Dan Raney.

- a. Motion** Stephen Raley **Second** Tommy Carswell
- b. Motion carried**

4 Approval of the minutes of the meeting, May 11, 2022.

- a. Discussion:** None
- b. Motion:** Stephen Raley **Second:** Roger Russell
- c. Motion Carried**

- 5 **General Manager's Financial Report**
 - a. **Review and approval, if needed, of bills, banking and other financials**
 - b. **Discussion:** Can we get interest on checking account? John will update the checking account to interest bearing if possible. Need to look at other options for investments for the possibility of increasing yield, per David, Tommy, & Kevin. John to look into other investment opportunities and bring proposal to next meeting.
 - c. **Motion:** Stephen Raley **Second:** Tommy Carswell
 - d. **Motion Carried**

- 6 **General Manager's District Report**
 - a. **Well Report:** More Exempt wells to date than all of last year. Have a new well that has a variable speed pump that can exceed the maximum for ag well. Need to make sure it is not capable of exceeding that maximum. If it is, it needs to be replaced, per David.

 - b. **District updates:** Adam Nerren wells; water level dropped & recovered. Private wells not in use being plugged. Talked about new artesian well at 60 gal. per minute. Also discussed rules on selling water out of district. Discussed the purchase of new truck. John to bring proposal to next meeting.

- 7 **Review and possibly approve 2nd quarter 2022 investment report**
 - a. **Discussion:** Continuation of John to look into State of Texas investment pool account along with other options for increasing investment returns.
 - b. **Motion:** Stephen Raley **Second:** Kevin Gee
 - c. **Motion Carried**

- 8 **Appoint Budget Committee for 2023 budget.**
 - a. David nominated Jimmy, Gloria, & Stephen.
 - b. Board accepted nominations.

- 9 **Presentation by Board Member Roger Russell on water well drilling reports.**
 - a. **Discussion:** Roger talked about incomplete information on drilling reports and stressed the need to get that taken care of up front. He also suggested we need to update District Rules, possibly adding a requirement to fill voids between sand levels with annular seal, to reduce co-mingling. David suggested waiting on State of Texas to update their rules first.

- 10 **Announcement of the date and location of the next quarterly business meeting:**

Tentative meeting date: December 14, 2022 at Kurth Lodge.

- 11 **Adjourn.**
 - a. Closed by & Time: Kevin Gee, 3:01 p.m.

Jimmy Mize, President

Gloria Montes, Secretary