

Middle Pecos Groundwater Conservation District
Minutes of January 17, 2012

On this the 17th day of January, 2012, a Public Hearing on a Drilling Permit and a Regular Board Meeting was held by the Middle Pecos Groundwater Conservation District in the office located at 405 North Spring Drive, Fort Stockton, Texas, with the following members present, to-wit:

Glenn Honaker	President, Precinct 1
John Dorris	Vice President, Precinct 3
M. R. Gonzalez	Secretary/Treasurer, Precinct 2
Merrell Daggett	Precinct 2
Weldon Blackwelder	Precinct 3
Alvaro Mandujano, Jr.	Precinct 4
S. Evans Turpin	City of Iraan

Member Absent: Houston McKenzie, Ronald Cooper, Janet Groth & Vanessa Cardwell.

Quorum Present.

Others Present: Paul Weatherby/General Manager, Melissa Mills, Bob Varmette and Jeff Williams.

Public Hearing

I Call to Order at 1:02 PM by Board President Glenn Honaker.

II Consider and/or act upon **JRGMI LLC Drilling Permit Application**

Manager Paul Weatherby presented the application to the Board. JRGMI LLC was formed by Jay Garvin and Martin Ibarra to sell water for public sales, industrial use, and for their own office use. The drilling site is located near the intersection of Imperial Highway and 40th Lane. They will be pumping from the Edwards/Trinity aquifer. The application file contains maps with the proposed drilling site, a warranty deed, notice of intent to drill, a notice of drilling permit application, a listing of adjacent property owners with names and addresses from the Pecos County Appraisal District, and a statement from MPGCD attorney Mike Gershon that the application is administratively complete. At this time their intent is to conform to our spacing regulations, although when his well driller evaluates the site a variance may be requested of the required 100' from property lines as our rules currently state. Manager Weatherby recommended that the application be approved.

The Board discussions revealed several concerns. One concern was the unknown amount of water that would be requested from a 5 acre lot with a 10" sized well casing. Another concern was notification of the surrounding landowners.

President Honaker called an executive session at 1:39 PM to consult with attorney.

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President Honaker reconvened the public hearing at 2:40 PM after conference call with attorney, and stated that no decisions were made in executive session.

There were no comments received from the public during the public hearing.

Weldon Blackwelder made a motion to table the drilling permit application for JRGMI LLC as administratively incomplete. Reference MPGCD rule 11.9.2(c) the adjacent owners' physical and mailing addresses. Rule 11.9.2(e) requires a statement indicating the amount of water to be used for each purpose. The motion was seconded by M. R. Gonzalez.

Mr. Weatherby asked for clarification on the adjacent land owners' whether it was land owners within a half mile radius, or property owners with water wells within a half mile radius. Mr. Blackwelder replied property owners with non-exempt or exempt water wells within a half mile radius.

There were no additional discussions.

Motion carried unanimous.

III Adjourn Alvaro Mandujano, Jr., made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Evans Turpin. The motion carried, and the hearing adjourned at 2:42 PM.

Regular Board Meeting

I Call to Order @ 2:43 PM by Board President Glenn Honaker. A quorum of the Board is present.

II Comments from **Public and Media (limit 5 minutes per person)** None.

III Consider and/or act upon **minutes of December 20, 2011**
John Dorris made a motion to approve the December 20, 2011 minutes as presented. Seconded by Merrell Daggett. Motion carried.

IV Consider and/or act upon **Accounts Payable and Treasurer's Report and Line Item Transfers for 12-31-2011**
Merrell Daggett made a motion to approve the accounts payable, treasurer's report for 12-31-2011, and line item transfers. Seconded by John Dorris. Motion carried.

V Consider and/or act upon **Proposed Rule Amendments**

MPGCD attorney Mike Gershon incorporated the changes into the rules that the Board requested as a result of the Public Hearing and Board Meeting on December 20, 2011. A copy of rules with the changes was presented to the Board members for their review.

John Dorris made a motion to adopt the rule amendments. Seconded by Merrell Daggett. Motion carried, and a Board resolution was signed memorializing the adoption. 7 FOR, 0 OPPOSE, 4 ABSENT

VI Consider and/or act upon **Progress Reports: Well Registrations, Production Permits, Drilling Permits, Data Loggers, ongoing Water Quality Analysis, Monthly Drought Report/Palmer Drought Severity Index maps**

- Well Registrations: Continuing.
- Production Permits: 3 production permits that are in the process of submission.
- Drilling Permits: One drilling permit application for JRGMI LLC.
- Data Loggers: Monthly readings are being taken. The Bi-Annual monitor wells will be monitored quarterly due to the drought.
- Water Quality Analysis: On going.
- Palmer Drought map: Map was reviewed. We are moderate/severe currently.
- A decision on the Panhandle GCD self contained water quality sample trailer has not been reached.

VII General Manager's report on incoming **Groundwater District-related Correspondence**

- On January 18, 2012 there is a GMA7 Grass Valley Petition on the Desired Future Conditions in Sonora. Mr. Weatherby will be attending and invited Board members to go.

VIII Consider and/or act upon **Agenda for next meeting**

- Drilling permit application for JRGMI LLC
- Workshop on spacing requirements

IX **Adjourn** Merrell Daggett made a motion to adjourn, seconded by Evans Turpin. The motion carried, and the meeting adjourned at 3:07 PM.

M. R. Gonzalez, Secretary/Treasurer

Glenn Honaker, President

Date Approved _____