

Middle Pecos Groundwater Conservation District
Minutes of February 17, 2016

On this the 17th day of February, 2016, a regular board meeting and public hearing 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:

Jerry McQuairt	President, Precinct 1
John Dorris	Vice President, Precinct 3
M. R. Gonzalez	Secretary/Treasurer, Precinct 2
Janet Groth	Precinct 1
Merrell Daggett	Precinct 2
Weldon Blackwelder	Precinct 3
Ronald Cooper	Precinct 4
Terry Whigham	At Large

Quorum Present.

Board members absent: Jeffery McMahon, Vanessa Cardwell, Alvaro Mandujano, Jr.

Others present: Ty Edwards, Mike Gershon, Gail Reeves, Harvey Gray, Donald Braden, Sharon Braden, Raymond Straub, Jeff Williams, Brock Thompson, Bill Stevens, Greg Neal, Tommy Ervin, James Cravens, Gil Van Deventer, and Bob Beal/Fort Stockton Pioneer.

PRODUCTION PERMIT HEARING for Donald Braden

I Call to order at 10:00 a.m. on Public Hearing on **Production Permit for Donald Braden.**

Party representing application: Donald Braden.

Protestant to application: None

Public Comment: None

Ty Edwards presented the application to the Board. The application is for 30 acre feet/year from the Pecos Valley Aquifer for a 2 well system located on Survey M C Spidel, Block OW, Section 63 approximately 1/4 mile West of 2033 W. of Hwy 1450, in Pecos County, Texas. The purpose of this well is for Industrial use. The application is administratively complete.

II Adjourn hearing and consider and/or act on **Production Permit for Donald Braden.**

Terry Whigham made a motion to approve the permit application as presented for 30 acre feet/year from the Pecos Valley Aquifer, for industrial use for a 2 well system. Seconded by Weldon Blackwelder. Motion passed unanimously.

REGULAR BOARD MEETING

I Call to order regular Board meeting at 10:05 a.m. by President Jerry McGuairt.

II Consider and/or act upon the **Audit for the Fiscal Year 10-01-2014 through 09-30-2015 as presented by Smith and Rives, PC**

Rocky Rives with Smith and Rives, PC Certified Public Accountants presented the audit to the Board and answered all questions. The opinion rendered is that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the respective financial position of the governmental activities, the major fund, and the aggregate remaining fund information of the MPGCD, as of September 30, 2015, and the respective changes in financial position thereof for the year ended in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States of America. There are no findings that require disclosure or corrective action in the audit report.

Ronnie Cooper made a motion to approve the Audit for Fiscal Year ending 09-30-2015 as presented. Seconded by Merrell Daggett. Motion Carried unanimously.

III Comments from **public and media:**

Tommy Ervin asks that the Diamond Y Springs be on a monthly report to make sure that it is not affected by STW. He would like to see the Board increase STW's permit from 5000 acre feet permit to 25,000 acre feet .

IV Consider and/or act upon **Minutes of January 20, 2016.**
Janet Groth made a motion to approve the minutes as presented for January 20, 2016. Motion seconded by Merrell Daggett. Motion carried unanimously.

V Consider and/or act upon **Accounts Payable and Treasurer's Report and Line Item Transfers for the Month Ending January 31, 2016.** Janet Groth made a motion to accept the Accounts Payable and Treasurer's Report and Line Item Transfers for the Month Ending January 31, 2016. Motion seconded by John Dorris. Motion carried unanimously.

VI Presentation of San Andres Formation

Ty Edwards Assistant Manager presented the Board with a video of San Andres free flowing wells north of town. Stated water samples had been taken, all wells had been GPS, and all show to be high in TDS.

- VII Consider and/or act upon 2015 General Manager's Report.
The 2015 General Manager's Annual Report was presented to the Board for their consideration by Ty Edwards.

No discussion and no action taken, this item is being tabled.

VIII **Progress Reports: Well Registrations, Production Permits, Drilling Permits, Data Loggers, ongoing Water Quality Analysis**

- Well Registrations: 1 Well in January.
- Water Quality Analysis: Continuing to gather samples.
- Production Permits: A couple of them are being viewed.
- Drilling Permits: 5-6 Issued. Every well being drilled is given core sample containers.
- Data Loggers: Operations on going normally. Looking at a monitor well in Brewster County in the Capitan Reef.
- Water Analysis Program: Normal operations ongoing.
- Drought Monitor Map: The current drought monitor map is in the Annual 2015 General Manager's notebook.

- IX Consider and/or act upon General Manager's Correspondence.

A letter was received from Fort Stockton Holdings: with a copy of Cashier's Check payable to Gayle Henderson, District Clerk in the amount of \$155,000.00. The check will remain in escrow with court /clerk until case is final. Paul Weatherby went to the House Natural Resource Committee and testified supporting Local Groundwater Management. Comments are in letter for viewing. The dates for the GMA3 Meeting has been set for March 16th and April 26, 2016 in Monahans at the Ward County Convention Center. Reeves County has formed a GCD. John Dorris made a motion to approve General Manager's Correspondence. Seconded by Weldon Blackwelder.

An Executive Session was called at 10:45 a.m. by President Jerry McGuairt pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Sections 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, to consult with attorney.

The Board reconvened into open session at 11:50 a.m. President McGuairt stated that no decisions or votes were made in executive session. Janet Groth left the meeting at 11:51 a.m.

- X **Directors' comments** No comments from the Board

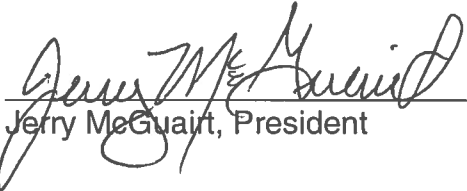
- XI Consider and/or act upon **agenda for next meeting**
 - 2015 Annual Report

XII Adjourn

Weldon Blackwelder made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:55 a.m.
Motion seconded by Merrell Daggett. Motion carried unanimously.



M. R. Gonzalez, Secretary/Treasurer



Jerry McGuairt, President

Date Approved 04-19-2016