MIDDLE PECOS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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Employees

Ty Edwards, General Manager
Melissa Mills, Office Manager Gail Reeves, Office Assistant

Minutes of April 6, 2017

On this the 6th of April, 2017, a Special Called board meeting and Public Informational Meeting was held by the Middle Pecos Groundwater Conservation District at the Iraan Civic Center, Alley Oop Lane, 624 Parkside Street, Iraan, Texas, with the following members present, to-wit:

Jerry McGuairt President, Precinct 1
John Dorris Vice President, Precinct 3
M. R. Gonzalez Secretary/Treasurer, Precinct 2

Janet Groth Precinct 1
Weldon Blackwelder Precinct 3
Alvaro Mandujano, Jr. Precinct 4

Vanessa Cardwell City of Fort Stockton

Jeff Sims City of Iraan Allan Childs, Jr. At Large

Quorum Present.

Board members absent: Ronald Cooper

Note: Precinct 2/ Open Position

Others present: Ty Edwards, Mike Gershon, Gail Reeves, Melissa Mills, T. J. Holmes, Margaret Holmes, Evans Turpin, Gladys Dorris, Jeff Williams, Ed McCarthy, Brock Thompson, Scott Mitchell, Rita Childs, Paula McGuairt, John Evridge, Eddie Sweeten, Gary Drgac, Ira Yates, Don, and Bob Beal/Fort Stockton Pioneer.

Call to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Jerry McGuairt.

PUBLIC INFORMATIONAL MEETING

- I Introduction by District's Board President.
- Presentation by District's General Manager on District's statutory purpose, priorities and groundwater studies, and recent developments with pending lawsuits filed against District, legislation that affects the District, and settlement proposal by Fort Stockton Holdings, Clayton Williams Farms and Republic Water Company.

Power Point Presentation given by Ty Edwards. He gave a brief history of the District, and our current monitoring and analysis schedule for Pecos County. He also talked about 1) the Aquifer Studies that have been completed in Pecos County, and 2) the export permits that have been granted in the past, and 3) the management zones and the purpose for having them, and 4) the 85th Legislature and bills associated with water, and 5) the permit application and settlement offer received from Fort Stockton Holdings LP/Clayton Williams Farms, Inc./Republic Water Company of Texas, LLC., and 6) historic and current water levels in Fort Stockton and in Management Zone 1.

III Public input on General Manager's presentation.

No Public Comment

- IV Closing remarks by District's Board Member(s) and General Manager. No Comments,
- V Adjourn public informational meeting.

 Jerry McGuairt adjourned the public informational meeting at 7:36 p.m.

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING CONTINUED

- I Call to order Special Called Meeting at 7:36 p.m. by President Jerry McGuairt.
- Il Comments from public and media

Ty Edwards was asked why House Bill 4235 was filed.

Ty Edwards: I don't know why Larson would file it.

Jerry McGuairt said that people in the bigger cities need the water and they have more votes than we do out here.

III Consider and/or act on matters involving Fort Stockton Holdings, LP (FSHLP), Republic Water Co. of Texas, LLC (Republic LLC) and Clayton Williams Farms, Inc.'s draft settlement proposal received on March 17 48, 2017, related to following pending lawsuits and contested hearing:

- Republic LLC's state-court lawsuit, Court of Appeals Case No. 08-17-00001-CV
- FSHLP v. Pecos County, MPGCD, et al., Court of Appeals Case No. 08-15-00382-CV
- In re the Application of Republic LLC, State Office of Administrative Hearings Docket No. 959-17-3195

Board action may include response to settlement proposal.

An Executive Session was called at 7:44 p.m. by Presiding Officer Jerry McGuairt pursuant to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Sections 551.071 of the Texas Government Code, to consult with attorney.

The Executive Session ended at 8:16 p.m. President McGuairt stated that no decisions or votes were made in executive session.

John Dorris made a motion to respond to Fort Stockton Holdings, LP (FSHLP), Republic Water Co. of Texas, LLC (Republic LLC) and Clayton Williams Farms, Inc.'s March 17th proposal by authorizing our Board President and Secretary to execute the copies vetted by our settlement committee and drafted by our legal counsel that is before us today. Motion seconded by Alvaro Mandujano, Jr. No additional comments. Vote: <u>For:</u> 8 - Dorris, McGuairt, Gonzalez, Mandujano, Cardwell, Groth, Sims, Blackwelder. <u>Against:</u> 1 - Allan Childs.

Absent: 1- Ronnie Cooper. Vacant Position: 1 - Precinct 2.

(Two duplicate originals of the MPGCD Counterproposal 4/6/17 were signed. MPGCD kept one and one was handed to Mr. Ed McCarthy.)

- IV **Directors' comments**. No comments
- V Consider and/or act upon agenda for next meeting. No comments.
- VI Adjourn Board meeting.

Weldon Blackwelder made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Seconded by John Dorris. Motion carried unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 8:23 p,m.

M. R. Gonzalez, Secretary/Treasurer

Date Approved 4-18-17

Minutes prepared by Melissa Mills

Jerry McGuairt, President