

**MINUTES**  
**EVERGREEN UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**  
**OCTOBER 25, 2024 - REGULAR SCHEDULED BOARD MEETING**

The public meeting of the Board of Directors of the Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District, pursuant to notice, was at the District Office, 110 Wyoming Blvd., Pleasanton, Atascosa County, Texas.

Directors Present: Blaine Schorp, President  
Darrell Brownlow, Vice President  
Clayton Neal, Secretary/Treasurer  
Larry Bartek  
Amanda Wheeler  
Thomas Moy III  
Edward Griffin

Directors Absent: Sherman Posey  
Weldon Riggs

Employees Present: Aarin Teague, General Manager  
Steffinie Mannifield, Permit Specialist

Contractors Present on Behalf of EUWCD: Jaime Griffin, Business Coordinator Consultant  
Monique Norman, Legal

Guests Present: David Morgan  
Tina Shearman  
Daniel Smith  
Steven Siebert  
Deann Dziuk  
Jennie Kent  
Bob Ulrich

Agenda: Attached.

**1. Declaration of Quorum and Call to Order:**

President Schorp declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m. The meeting was posted and filed as required by law.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance.**

**3. Public Comments:**

Public comment was made by David Morgan requesting changes be made to the agendas to include more detailed descriptions of items to be discussed. Mr. Morgan requested that the Board of Directors discuss GMA 15 and the Texas Water Development Boards report regarding modification of the Groundwater Availability

Model for the Gulf Coast Aquifer which simulates recharge in Karnes County. Mr. Morgan commented that recharge does not correlate with anecdotal evidence and would like the Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District to research and protest this finding.

Public Comment was made by Tina Shearman regarding Texas Water Development Board's modified Groundwater Availability Model for the Gulf Coast and inaccurate DFC's.

***Recess to Public Hearing***

**Public Hearing – Rules Amendments**

***a. Call to Order:***

President Schorp called the Public Hearing to order at 9:15 a.m.

***b. Public Comments:***

None.

***c. Adjourn:***

President Schorp called the Public Hearing adjourned at 9:16 a.m.

**Public Hearing - Water Well Drilling and Production Permit Applications**

***d. Call to Order:***

President Schorp called the Public Hearing to order at 9:16 a.m.

***e. Public Comments:***

None.

***f. Drilling / Production Permits:***

-Presented by Steffinie Mannifield

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for Brandon Bauer (Drilling/Production Permit#3194) for a new well to be located in Wilson County for Irrigation use.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Griffin seconded the motion. Director Moy abstained, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for J Lowe Properties LTD (Drilling/Production Permit#3195) for a new well to be located in Frio County for Irrigation use.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Neal seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for Stockard Realty (Drilling/Production Permit#3199) for a new well to be located in Frio County for Stock use.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Wheeler seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for Warwick-Artemis, LLC (Drilling/Production Permit#3201) for a new well to be located in Wilson County for Frack Supply use.

*Director Bartek moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Brownlow seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for Wilson County Precinct 3 (Drilling/Production Permit#3198) for a new well to be located in Wilson County for Industrial use.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Griffin seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for City of Jourdanton (Drilling/Production Permit#2857) for a new well to be located in Atascosa County for Public Supply use.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Bartek seconded the motion. Director Moy abstained, and there being no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.*

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for Los Encinos Viejos LLC (Drilling/Production Permit#3204) for a new well to be located in Frio County for Irrigation use.

*Director Neal moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Wheeler seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

**g. Amendment to Existing Permit to Increase Production:**

-Presented by Steffinie Mannifield

-The Board was presented with two increases in production permits for Moore WSC (Production Permit #2920 and 2694) for existing wells located in Frio County for Public Supply use.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the production permits. Director Neal seconded the motion. Director Moy abstained, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

-The Board was presented with seven increases in production permits for City of Pleasanton (Production Permits #2351, 2999, 2952, 2013, 2008, 1462 and 1998) for existing wells located in Atascosa County for Public Supply use.

*Director Bartek moved to approve the production permits. Director Wheeler seconded the motion. Director Moy abstained, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

***h. Amendment to Change Use on Existing Wells:***

-Presented by Steffinie Mannifield

-The Board was presented with a change in use in production permit for James and Elaine Kotowski (Production Permit #2381 for an existing well located in Wilson County for Irrigation and Industrial use.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the permit change. Director Neal seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

***i. Permit on Existing Wells:***

-Presented by Steffinie Mannifield

-The Board was presented with one production permit for Lambeck Brothers Inc (Production Permit #3197) for an existing well located in Wilson County for Industrial and Irrigation use.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the production permit. Director Griffin seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

-The Board was presented with one production permit for Thomas and Julie Saunders (Production Permit #3196) for an existing well located in Frio County for Irrigation use.

*Director Neal moved to approve the production permit. Director Brownlow seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

***j. Adjourn:***

President Schorp called the Public Hearing adjourned at 9:51 a.m.

***Reconvene to Regular Meeting***

**4. Approval of Minutes from the September 19 & 20, 2024, Board of Directors Meeting:**

The minutes of the September 19 & 20, 2024, meeting were presented to the board.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the minutes as presented. Director Griffin seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

**5. Committee Updates**

No committee updates were presented.

**6. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Rules Amendments.**

The Board of Directors was presented with the draft rules amendments.

*Director Brownlow moved to approve the rules amendments. Director Griffin seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

**7. Approval of Report of Bills Paid, Deposits, and Financial Statements for September 2024.**

-Presented by Jaime Griffin

The report of bills paid, deposits, and financial statements for August were presented to the Board.

*Director Moy moved to receive and file the reports. Director Griffin seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

**8. Discussion and Approval to Remove prior District Personnel from Security State Bank Safety Deposit Box and Add General Manager Aarin Teague to Signature Card.**

-Presented by Jaime Griffin

The Board of Directors was presented with recommendation to remove prior staff from the Security State Bank Safety Deposit Box located in Pearsall and to add current General Manager Aarin Teague to the signature card.

*Director Moy moved to approve the signature card amendments. Director Griffin seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.*

**9. Briefing Regarding Status of Drought in the District**

-Presented by Aarin Teague

**10. General Manager's Report:**

-Presented by Monique Norman and Aarin Teague

a. Legislative and Legal Updates

Monique Norman deferred legislative updates.

b. Past Month's Activities

Groundwater Monitoring:

Aarin Teague gave an update on the desired future condition versus the current condition for the Carrizo, Gulf Coast, and Queen City Aquifers.

c. Permit Activity:

The following permit activity was reported:

- 42 Exempt Well Registrations
- 7 New Well Drilling Permits
- 6 Permits on Existing Wells
- 6 Production Permits
- 16 Well Permit Renewals

d. Staff Activities

The following staff activities were reported:

- Website Refresh to be reviewed with the education committee
- RFQ for Auditing Services to be reviewed by the budget and finance committee
- Preparing for annual reporting cycle
  - Sign ups for online reporting
  - Landowner mailout
- Ongoing Public Supply Audit
- Process documentation for permit processing
- Review of GMA 13 and 15 models

Staff discussed upcoming meetings which impact District business including:

- Region L- Nov 7<sup>th</sup> 9:30 at SAWS
- STWMA- Dec 4<sup>th</sup> 5:15 pm at EUWCD
- TAGD Winter Business Meeting – Jan 15-16 @ Austin

Other Notable Dates

- Nov 13<sup>th</sup> – Last day for permit submissions for Dec 6<sup>th</sup> public hearing
- Nov 2<sup>nd</sup>- Wilson County Household Hazardous Waste Collection at Expo Center

**11. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Items to be Placed on the Next Agenda:**

Items requested to be placed on the next meeting agenda:

- GMA 15 / 16
- Possible Budget Amendment for 2023 / 2024

**Break**

The board took a break at 10:56 AM

**Reconvene**

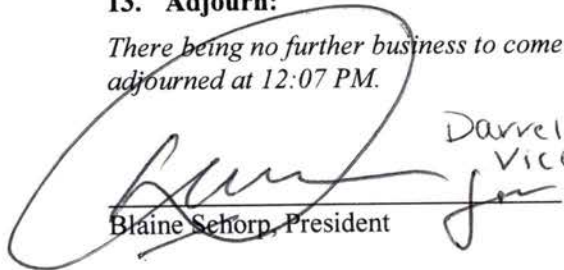
The board reconvened at 11:16 AM

**12. Presentation and Director's discussion regarding District aquifers, regulatory management, and concerns with Representative Guillen**

**13. Adjourn:**

*There being no further business to come before the Board, Vice President Brownlow declared the meeting adjourned at 12:07 PM.*

Darrell Brownlow  
Vice President



Blaine Schorp, President

**ATTEST:**



Clayton Neal, Secretary/Treasurer



**NOTICE OF MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
EVERGREEN UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District will be held **Friday, October 25, 2024, at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office, 110 Wyoming Blvd., Pleasanton, Atascosa County, Texas**, at which the following subjects will be discussed, to wit:

**AGENDA**

Matters to be discussed that are subject to vote by the Directors of the Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District are as follows:

1. Declaration of Quorum and Call to Order.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. Public Comments on Agenda Items or Other District Business, Limited to 5 minutes each.

***Recess to Public Hearing***

**Public Hearing-Rules Amendments**

- a. *Call to Order*
- b. *Receive Public Comments on Rules Amendments*
- c. *Adjourn.*

**Public Hearing- Water Well Drilling and Production Permit Applications**

- d. *Call to Order.*
- e. *Public Comments.*
- f. *Drilling/Production Permits.*
- g. *Amendment to Increase Production on Existing Wells*
- h. *Amendment to Change Use for Existing Wells*
- i. *Permits on Existing Wells.*
- j. *Adjourn.*

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  - Legislative and Legal Updates
  - Past Month's Activities
  - Permit Activities
  - Upcoming Activities
11. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Items to be Placed on the Next Agenda
12. Presentation and Director's discussion regarding District aquifers, regulatory management, and concerns with Representative Guillen.
13. Adjourn.

**Agenda items may be considered, deliberated, and/or acted upon in a different order than set forth above.**

At any time during the meeting and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District Board may meet in executive session on any of the above agenda items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071); deliberation regarding real property (§551.072); deliberation regarding prospective



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gifts §551.073 ; personnel matters (§551.074); and deliberation regarding security devices (§551.076). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during an open meeting.