# **MINUTES** EVERGREEN UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT **DECEMBER 21, 2023- 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

Weldon Riggs Amanda Wheeler **Edward Griffin** Sherman Posey Thomas Moy III

Directors Absent:

Darrell Brownlow, Vice President

Larry Bartek

Clayton Neal, Secretary/Treasurer

Employees Present: Aarin Teague, General Manager

Melissa Gonzalez, District Secretary

Christopher McFarlane, Assistant Manager

Landon Yosko, Technical Specialist

Guests Present:

Attached.

Agenda:

Attached.

## Declaration of Quorum and Call to Order:

President Schorp declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 9:05 a.m. The meeting was posted and filed as required by law.

## Pledge of Allegiance.

### Recess to Public Hearing

## Public Hearing-Proposed Adopting an Export Fee Schedule

### a. Call to Order:

President Schorp called the Public Hearing to order at 9:06 a.m.

### b. Receive Public Comments:

No public comments.

## c. Adjourn:

President Schorp called the Public Hearing adjourned at 9:24 a.m.

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

#### a. Call to Order:

President Schorp called the Public Hearing to order at 9:24 a.m.

#### b. Public Comments:

No public comments.

### c. Drilling/Production Permit Applications:

The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for T Bar L. Ranches (Drilling/Production Permit#3090) for a new well to be located in Karnes County for Irrigation use. Director Griffin moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Posey seconded the motion, Director Moy abstained, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

### d. Adjourn:

President Schorp called the Public Hearing adjourned at 9:26 a.m.

## Reconvene to Regular Meeting

### Public Comments on Agenda Items, Limited to 5 minutes each:

None.

# Approval of Minutes from the November 30, 2023 Board of Directors Meetings:

The minutes of the November 30, 2023 meeting were presented to the board. Director Riggs moved to approve the minutes as amended. Director Wheeler seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

### **Education Committee Report:**

Director Wheeler mentioned that there will be modifications made to the scholarship program and discussed maybe hiring a part time education coordinator.

## Approval of Report of Bills Paid, Deposits, and Financial Statements for November 2023:

The report of bills paid, deposits, and financial statements for November were presented to the Board. Director Riggs moved to receive and file the reports. Director Moy seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

### Approval of Adopting an Export Fee Schedule:

Director Griffin moved to approve adopting an Export Fee Schedule. Director Posey seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

Volume of Water Exported		Export Fee
Min (1,000 gallons)	Max (1,000 gallons)	(\$/1000 gal)
0	162,926	\$0.02
162,926	325,851	\$0.10
>325,851		\$0.20

# **Briefing Regarding Status of Drought in the District:**

Chris McFarlane gave an update on the drought conditions in the district.

## General Manager's Report:

## Discussion of Legal Matters Including Legislation:

Attorney Monique Norman said she needs to get the minutes from today's meeting to submit the Management Plan report.

### • December Activities:

There were no citizen requests this month.

- Meetings
  - South Texas Weather Modification Association
  - Education & Scholarship Committee
- 2 Exempt Well Registrations
- Programs
  - Mail Out- Annual Reporting Letters
  - Water Quality Samples
- Operations
  - Deployed New Website
  - Advertisement of Banking Services RFP

#### Permit Activities:

Chris McFarlane gave an update on the Permit Management Program.

## • Pumping Reports:

Landon Yosko gave a November to December aquifer comparison for the Carrizo, Queens City, and Gulf Coast Aquifers.

# • Upcoming Activities:

- Drafting Annual Report
- Meetings
  - Region L- January 9th, Executive Committee
  - o GMA 15 January 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:30 am- Victoria
  - o GMA 13- February 9th
- Programs
  - Processing annual pumping reports
  - Public water supply permit audit
  - o Draft scholarship submission guidelines / Coordination of internship opportunity
- Operations
  - IT Software Updates
  - o RFP- Review of Banking Services Proposals

# Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Items to be Placed on the Next Agenda:

• Banking Services Contract

# Set Date and Time for Next Board of Directors Meeting:

The Board agreed to set the next meeting date for Friday, January 26, 2024 at 9 a.m. at the District Office in Pleasanton, TX 78064.

# Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Schorp declared the meeting adjourned at 9:49 a.m.

Blaine Schorp, President

ATTEST:

Clayton Neal, Secretary/Treasurer