

**MINUTES
EVERGREEN UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
JUNE 27, 2025 - 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: Darrell Brownlow, President
Clayton Neal, Vice President
Amanda Wheeler, Secretary/Treasurer
Weldon Riggs
Thomas Moy III
Sherman Posey
Edward Griffin
Wes Shahan
Zachary Mann

Directors Absent: None

Employees Present: Aarin Teague, General Manager
Jaime Griffin, Business Coordinator
Steffinie Mannifield, Natural Resources Technician
Samantha Nicholson, Permit Coordinator

Contractors Present on Behalf of EUWCD: Monique Norman, Legal

Guests Present: Chloe Nieschwitz
Ross Nieschwitz
Sadie Hartmann
Erin Wright
Bob Ulrick
Blaine Schorp
Daniel Smith
Lisa Luna

Agenda: Attached.

1. Declaration of Quorum and Call to Order:

President Brownlow declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. The meeting was posted and filed as required by law.

2. Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Public Comments:

None.

4. Recognition of 2025 Scholarship Recipients

2025 winner, Sadie Hartmann, and Honorable Mention, Chloe Nieschwitz, were presented with their awards for the 2025 scholarship contest.

Recess to Public Hearing

Public Hearing – Water Well Drilling and Production Permit Applications

a. Call to Order

President Brownlow called the Public Hearing to order at 9:07 a.m.

b. Public Comments:

None

c. Drilling / Production Permits:

-Presented by Samantha Nicholson

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application Travis Lynch Estate (Drilling/Production Permit#3090) for a new well to be located in Karnes County for Irrigation use.

Director Posey moved to approve the drilling and production permit. Director Wheeler seconded the motion. Director Moy abstained. The board requested a follow up water sample after drilling was complete and there being no further discussion, the motion carried unanimously.

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for Frio County Paloma Partners LLC (Drilling/Production Permit#3314) for a new well to be located in Frio County for Irrigation use.

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

d. Drilling / Production Permits for P-13 Conversion Wells:

-Presented by Samantha Nicholson

-The Board was presented with a drilling and production permit application for Travis Lynch Estate (Drilling/Production Permit#3309) for a P-13 well conversion 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.

e. Amendment to Change Permitted Use on Existing Wells:

None

f. Amendment to Increase Production on Existing Wells:

-Presented by Samantha Nicholson

-The Board was presented with a permit amendment application for The City of Pearsall (Production Permit#1393) for a well located in Frio County for Public Supply use. The amendment adjusts the production allocation of the well to 503.22 acre ft based on number of connections, an increase of 259.22 acre ft per year.

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

-The Board was presented with a permit amendment application for The City of Pearsall (Production Permit#2422) for a well located in Frio County for Public Supply use. The amendment adjusts the production allocation of the well to 503.22 acre ft based on number of connections, an increase of 196.48 acre ft per year.

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

g. Amendment to Change Location of Wells:

-Presented by Samantha Nicholson

-The Board was presented with a permit amendment application for The City of Pearsall (Production Permit#1393) for a well located in Frio County for Public Supply use. The amendment adjusts the location of the well 1,081.55 ft.

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

-The Board was presented with a permit amendment application for The City of Pearsall (Production Permit#2422) for a well located in Frio County for Public Supply use. The amendment adjusts the location of the well 214 ft.

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

h. Amendment to Change Well Production Capacity:

None

i. Amendment to Change Well Proposed Aquifer and Depth:

None

j. Report on Activities of Permit on Existing Wells:

-Presented by Aarin Teague

The Board was presented with the following permits that were approved by staff under Rule 7.1:

Report on Permit on Existing Wells:

None

Report on Re-Permit of Wells:

Name	Production Permit	Well Location	Use
Leoncita Ranch LTD	1663	Atascosa County	Irrigation
Frio County Paloma Partners LLC	1777	Frio County	Irrigation
Frio County Paloma Partners LLC	1778	Frio County	Irrigation
Michael James Pawelek Living Trust	1852	Karnes County	Irrigation
Leoncita Ranch LTD	2703	Wilson County	Irrigation
Michael James Pawelek Living Trust	2771	Karnes County	Irrigation
Poncho Properties, LLC	2891	Wilson County	Irrigation
Leoncita Ranch LTD	3296	Wilson County	Irrigation
Stanley Tebbe	3312	Atascosa County	Irrigation

Report on Reduction Amendments:

Name	Production Permit	Well Location	Use
Poncho Properties, LLC	2488	Wilson County	Irrigation
Poncho Properties, LLC	2489	Wilson County	Irrigation

Report on Replacement Wells:

Name	Production Permit	Well Location	Use
Stanley Tebbe	3311	Atascosa County	Irrigation

k. Report on Activities of Permit Renewals:

The Board was presented the following permit renewals that were approved by staff on Existing Wells:

None

l. Adjourn:

President Brownlow called the Public Hearing adjourned at 9:23 a.m.

Reconvene to Regular Meeting

5. Presentation of Certificate of Election to Directors.

Re-elected Board members Thomas Moy III and Sherman Posey were presented with Certificates of Election.

6. Statement of Elected and Appointed Officers for Directors.

General Manager and notary Aarin Teague lead and administered the re-elected Directors through the Statement of Elected and Appointed Officers.

7. Oath of Office for Directors.

General Manager and notary Aarin Teague lead and administered the re-elected Directors through the Oath of Officers.

8. Approval of Minutes from May 30, 2025, Board of Directors Meeting:

The minutes of the May 30, 2025, meeting were presented to the board.

Director Riggs moved to approve the minutes with corrections to the guests present and the Board President name. Director Moy seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

9. Approval of Report of Bills Paid, Deposits, and Financial Statements for May 2025.

-Presented by Jaime Griffin.

The report of bills paid, deposits, and financial statements for May 2025 were presented to the Board.

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

10. Finance and Budget Committee Report

The Board was presented with the June Budget & Finance Committee Discussions including:

- Review Estimated Rolls- Formulate Recommendation for Tax Rate
- Review Audit Recommendations
 - Determine if bank accounts should be simplified
 - Determine strategy for Committed/Assigned Funds
 - Review of Fund Balance Policy
- Review Permit Processing Cost Estimates
 - Develop proposed fee schedule

The Budget and Finance Committee is scheduled to meet next on July 02, 2025 at 9:00 AM

11. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action Regarding Closure of Underutilized Financial Accounts

The Board of Directors was presented with a request to close underutilized bank accounts with the nickname Scholarship and Weather Modification Program.

Director Posey moved to approve the closing of the bank accounts. Director Wheeler seconded the motion, and there being no further discussion the motion carried unanimously.

12. Presentation and Discussion Regarding District Activities Including Groundwater Models, Studies, and Planning.

-Presented by Aarin Teague.

General Manager Aarin Teague presented an overview of how previous District investments can be built upon to develop ground water flow simulation models to be used to achieve requirements outlined in the District Rules. Applications, scope, schedule, and budget of potential future projects were presented.

The board discussed the desire to move forward with a significant investment in data and models. The Directors concluded that with inadequate state investment in groundwater models and planning tools, it was necessary for the district to make investments to meet the District's need for data and tools to manage groundwater resources within the District.

13. Briefing Regarding Status of Drought in the District

-Presented by Steffinie Mannifield.

14. Set Date and Time for the Next Board of Directors Meeting

The board set the next board of directors meetings to occur on July 25, 2025 and August 29, 2025 at 9:00 AM at the offices for Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District.

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

The board requested a presentation by South Texas Weather Modification Association on the new management and current operations of the 501(c)(3)

16. General Manager's Report:

-Presented by Aarin Teague, Steffinie Mannifield.

- Website Update
 - a. Current website has 324 Unique Views
- Permit Activities

The following permit activity was reported:

- 06 Amendment of Existing Permits
- 134 Exempt Well Registrations
- 03 New Well Drilling Permits
- 01 Permits on Existing Wells
- 04 Production Permits
- 01 Permit Renewals
- 04 Re-permit of Expired Production Permits
- Transport Permit Application in Review

- Report on observed water levels in the month of June 2025
Staff Activity Reports:

July work plan:

- GMA 15 GAM comments
- Audit of deeds/lease agreements for re-permit of industrial accounts
- Facilities Maintenance
 - Electrical, IT
- Monitoring Improvements
 - West Frio Telemetry Site, Transducer Maintenance

Staff discussed upcoming meetings which impact District business including:

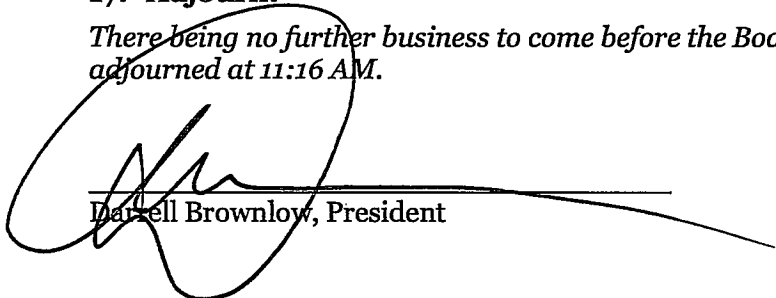
- GMA 15- July 10th 9:30am @ Victoria (Dates Tentative)
- GMA 13- August 15th 10:00am @ EUWCD

Other Notable Dates

- July 31st Comments on the Central & Southern Gulf Coast GAM due to TWDB
- Aug 19th - 21st TAGD Summit@ San Antonio
- Aug 12th Texas Well Owner Network Water Quality Screening (Wilson & Karnes Counties)
- Sept 5th South Texas Environmental & Conservation Symposium, Floresville


17. Adjourn:

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Brownlow declared the meeting adjourned at 11:16 AM.



Darrell Brownlow, President

ATTEST:



Amanda Wheeler, 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, June 27, 2025, 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.
4. Recognition of 2025 Scholarship Recipients

Recess to Public Hearing

Public Hearing- Water Well Drilling and Production Permit Applications

- a. *Call to Order.*
- b. *Public Comments.*
- c. *Drilling/Production Permits.*
- d. *Drilling/Production Permits for P-13 Conversion Wells*
- e. *Amendment to Change Permitted Use on Existing Wells*
- f. *Amendment to Increase Production on Existing Wells*
- g. *Amendment to Change Location of Wells*
- h. *Amendment to Change Well Production Capacity*
- i. *Amendment to Change Well Proposed Aquifer and Depth*
- j. *Report on Activities of Permit on Existing Wells*
- k. *Report on Activities of Permit Renewals*
- l. *Adjourn.*

Reconvene to Regular Meeting



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6. Statement of Elected and Appointed Officers for Directors
7. Oath of Office for Directors
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11. Presentation, Discussion, and Possible Action Regarding Closure of Under-utilized Financial Accounts
12. Presentation and Discussion Regarding District Activities Including Groundwater Models, Studies, and Planning.
13. Briefing Regarding Status of Drought in the District.
14. Set Date and Time for Future Board of Directors Meetings.
15. Consider and Take Appropriate Action on Items to be Placed on the Next Agenda
16. General Manager's Report.
 - a. Legislative and Legal Updates
 - b. Groundwater Level Status Updates
 - c. Permit Activities
 - d. Staff Activity Reports
17. 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 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.