

Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District Meeting
700 Kennedy Court
Belton, TX
Wednesday, May 10, 2023
Minutes

The Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District (CUWCD) held a Workshop at 10:00 a.m. and the Regular Board meeting at 1:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 10, 2023, at the Clearwater UWCD Building, located at 700 Kennedy Court, Belton, Texas.

Board Members Present:

Leland Gersbach, President, Pct 1
Gary Young, Secretary, Pct 2
Jody Williams, Vice President, Pct 3
Scott Brooks, Director, Pct 4
James Brown, Director, At-Large

Absent:

Staff:

Dirk Aaron, General Manager
Tristin Smith, Education/Compliance Coord.

Guests

Sandra Blankenship – WCID#1
Bryon Thaler
Peter DiLillo

Tammy Hubnik - Bell CAD
Billy White – Bell CAD
Dr. Joe Yelderman – Baylor

Toluwaleke Ajayi – Baylor
Wayne Hamilton – Baylor

Executive Session convened with President, Leland Gersbach at 1:33 p.m.

Executive Session closed and Workshop reconvened with President, Leland Gersbach, at 1:57 p.m.

Workshop item #1: Receive presentation from Bell County Tax Appraisal District.

Received presentation from Billy White, Chief Appraiser, Bell County Tax Appraisal District. Went over how the Tax Appraisal District is assessing all of the properties within Bell County via aerial imaging and discussed why the value of properties are on the rise.

Workshop item #2: Receive update from Baylor Geology on current research effort related to the Edwards BFZ Aquifer.

Received a presentation from Baylor Student, Toluwaleke Ajayi, related to his current research project involving using a hydrogeophysical approach to investigate recharge pathways to Robertson Spring in Salado, TX.

Dr. Joe Yelderman with Baylor University also presented a potential project idea for FY24 involving reservoir and aquifer interactions in Bell County.

Workshop item #3: Receive update from LRE Water related to DMS water levels and water quality analytics.

Will postpone until June Board Meeting.

Workshop item #4: Receive baseline FY24 Budget.

Will postpone until June Board Meeting.

Workshop item #5: Receive information related to the 88th Legislative Session and Greywater Legislation.

Leland noted for the record that the Board would enter into Executive Session with the legal team for attorney/client privilege for the presentation from Attorneys with Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle Townsend. Executive Session convened at 1:33 p.m. and closed at 1:57 p.m.

Workshop item #6: Receive information related to Groundwater Management Area 8, per the Joint Planning and Development of the Round 4 Desired Future Conditions.

Nothing new to report at this time.

Workshop closed at 3:31 and Board meeting opened with President, Leland Gersbach, at 3:40 p.m.

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

Director, Jody Williams, gave the invocation.
Secretary, Gary Young, led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. Public Comment.

None.

3. Approve minutes of the April 12, 2023, Board meeting.

Board members received the minutes of the April 12, 2023, Board meeting and workshop in their Board packet to review prior to the meeting.

Secretary, Gary Young, moved to approve the minutes of the April 12, 2023, Board meeting and Workshop.
Vice President, Jody Williams, seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

4. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action, if necessary, to accept the monthly Financial Report for April 2023 (FY23) as presented.

Financial Reports for April were not available at this meeting.

Secretary, Gary Young, moved to table the April 2023 financial reports until the June 13, 2023 meeting.
Director, Jim Brown, seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

5. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action, if necessary, to accept the monthly Investment Fund account report for April (FY23) as presented.

Investment Fund account report for April 2023 were not available at this meeting.

Vice President, Jody Williams moved to table the April 2023 investment fund account report until the June 13, 2023 meeting. Director, Scott Brooks, seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

6. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action, if necessary, to approve the FY23 line-item budget amendments as requested.

Dirk presented a request for line-item budget amendments to cover legal expenses related to the ACA petition for annexation.

Vendor	Line Item	Invoice Amount	Available Funds	Amount Requested	New Balance	From	Available Funds	New Balance
Lloyd Gosseink	53703-General	\$402.50	\$0.00	\$402.50	\$402.50	50250-Contingency Fund	\$40,354.74	\$39,952.24
	(Rules & Accountability)							

Director, Scott Brooks, moved to approve the line-item budget amendments as requested. Vice President, Jody Williams, seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

7. Discuss, consider, and take appropriate action, if necessary, to set Board meeting calendar dates for June, July and August 2023 related to the FY24 budget development process.

Dirk laid out the timeline for FY24 budget development process and touched on some items of interest for the upcoming fiscal year.

Director, Scott Brooks, moved to set the Board meeting calendar dates for June, July, and August as suggested related to the FY24 budget development process. Director, Jim Brown, seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5-0.

8. General Manager's report concerning office management and staffing related to District Management Plan.

- Meeting with City of Temple and CUWCD about permitting process
- Drought Stage 1
- BelCor RHCP update will be next month
- Potential permits
- Texas Groundwater Summit
- Staff vacations
- ASR project
- Possible TWON project in July along with Blackland Research

9. Review monthly report and possible consideration and Board action on the following:

- a) Drought Status Reports***
- b) Education Outreach Update***
- c) Monitoring Wells***
- d) Rainfall Reports***
- e) Well Registration Update***
- f) Aquifer Status Report & Non-exempt Monthly Well Production Reports***

(Copies of the Monthly Staff Reports were given to the Board Members to review. No action is required. Information items only.)

10. Director's comments and reports.

- **Leland Gersbach:** None
- **Jody Williams:** None
- **Gary Young:** Met with Congressman August Pfluger's group and stated what an asset it is to have him representing Bell County.
- **Scott Brooks:** None
- **James Brown:** None

11. Discuss agenda items for the next meeting.

- April 2023 financial and investment reports
- Budget timeline
- Potential FY24 project updates
- Update on investments (data analytics tools, DMS, groundwater availability model)
- Possible permit application for domestic use

12. Set the time and place of the next meeting.

Tuesday, June 13, 2023, at 1:30 p.m. at the CUWCD office.

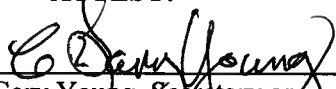
13. Adjourn.

Board meeting closed with President, Leland Gersbach, at 4:30 p.m.



Leland Gersbach, President

ATTEST:



Gary Young, Secretary or
Dirk Aaron, Assistant Secretary