

**NORTH PLAINS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING
9:00 AM, Tuesday, June 20, 2017
North Plains Water Conservation Center
6045 W Road E, Dumas, TX 79029-7201 (Approximately 9 miles north of Dumas
Texas east of Highway 287)**

Revised

Call Meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum.

Opening Prayer

Pledge

1. Public Comment

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Review and approval of minutes of the board meetings held as follows:
 - Regular Board Meeting – April 11, 2017
 - AG Committee Meeting – April 10, 2017
 - Executive Committee Meeting - April 10, 2017
- b. Review and approval of District expenditures for April 1, 2017 through May 31, 2017.
- c. Consider approval of payment to Lemon, Shearer, Phillips & Good, P.C. for legal services.
- d. Consider approval of the Hansford County Tax Collection Contract for 2017-2018.

3. Action Agenda

- a. Recognize Pauletta Rhoades for twenty years' service to the District.
- b. Board review and determination that wells constructed during 150-day construction period but not equipped to produce water are properly located and constructed according to the permit.
- c. Consider approval of Water Well Permits as active and complete wells.
- d. Consider Resolution and Order proposed by Oslo Wind, LLC whereby the District would elect to become eligible to participate in property tax abatements and adopt guidelines and criteria for granting property tax abatements; and consider the formal adoption of the Resolution and Order.
- e. Consider Resolution and Order proposed by Oslo Wind, LLC ("Oslo") wherein the District approves and authorizes the execution of a tax abatement agreement with Oslo on wind turbines and related facilities and equipment proposed to be constructed and/or installed by Oslo in the Sherman County Reinvestment Zone and the Hansford County Reinvestment Zone; and consider the formal adoption of the Resolution and Order.
- f. Receive Hydrology and Groundwater Resources Report 2016-2017 and compare groundwater production for 2016 to Modeled Available Groundwater.

- g. Consider final adoption of Desired Future Conditions for the Ogallala, Rita Blanca and Dockum Aquifers.

Ogallala Aquifer (inclusive of the Rita Blanca Aquifer)

- At least 40 percent of volume in storage remaining in 50 years, for the period 2012-2062 collectively in Dallam, Hartley, Moore, and Sherman counties;
- At least 50 percent of volume in storage remaining in 50 years, for the period 2012-2062 collectively in Hansford, Lipscomb, and Ochiltree counties and that portion of Hutchinson County with North Plains GCD;

Dockum Aquifer

- At least 40 percent of the available drawdown remaining in 50 years for the period 2012-2062 collectively for Dallam, Hartley, Moore, and Sherman counties.

Questions or comments for this item may be directed to Steve Walthour, General Manager, North Plains GCD, PO Box 795, Dumas Texas 78056, or may contact Mr. Walthour at 806-922-7402. This Item is in partial fulfillment of Texas Water Code 36.108 for Groundwater Management Area 1 which also includes: Hemphill County Underground Water Conservation District, High Plains Underground Water Conservation District, and Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District.

- h. Consider General Manager's recommendation to amend the District's 2016-2017 budget.
- i. Consider action to approve TML-IEBP re-rate notice and benefit verification for Health Insurance.
- j. Consider action to develop 2017-2018 District Budget.
- k. Consider order allowing discounts from the amount of 2017 ad valorem tax due if paid before January.
- l. Receive report regarding Aquifer Science activities.
- m. Receive report and consider action as needed regarding agriculture water conservation demonstration program activities and the North Plains Water Conservation Center.
- n. Receive report regarding the 85th legislative session.
- o. Consider compliance matters before the District.
- p. Closed Session

The Board of Directors of the District may go into a closed session under the authority of the Government Code, Chapter 551, Texas Open Meetings Act, to discuss:

- i) Consultation with Attorney – Attorney/Client Privileged Consultations (§ 551.071).
 - ii) Consultation with legal counsel regarding pending compliance matters and attorney-client privileged communications exempt from the Open Meetings Act pursuant to § 551.071 of the Government Code.
- q. Consider action regarding recommendation(s) on matters discussed in closed session.

4. Discussion Agenda

- a. District director reports regarding meetings and/or seminars attended, weather conditions and economic development in each Director's precinct.

- b. Committee Reports
- c. General Manager's Report
 - i) Upcoming meetings and conferences.
 - ii) General Manager's Activity Summary
 - iii) Permits Issued in April and May 2017
 - iv) District Activity Summary

5. Discuss Items for Future Board Meeting Agendas and Set Next Meeting Date and Time

6. Adjournment

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 North Plains Groundwater Conservation District Board may meet in executive session for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071). Any subject discussed in executive session may be subject to action during an open meeting.

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the above Notice of Meeting of the Board of Directors of the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District, is a true and correct copy of said Notice; and that I posted a true and correct copy at a place convenient to the public at the District office, at 603 East First, Dumas, Texas, and the Notice was posted on **June 12, 2017**, on or before **5:00 pm** and will remain so posted continuously for at least 72 hours immediately preceding the day of said Meeting; a true and correct copy of the Notice was furnished to each county clerk of the county or counties in which the above District is located.

Additionally, I certify that the above Notice of Meeting was furnished to the Secretary of State on or before **5:00 pm June 12, 2017**.

Dated this the 12th day of **June 2017**

North Plains Groundwater Conservation District

By: _____

Kristen Lane Blackwell, Executive Assistant