

**NORTH PLAINS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
BOARD MEETING  
9:00 AM, Tuesday, July 18, 2017  
Richard S. Bowers Learning Center  
North Plains Water Conservation Center  
6045 County Road E., Dumas, Texas  
(Approximately 9 miles north of Dumas Texas east of Highway 287)**

**Call Board 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 – June 20, 2017
  - Property Committee Meeting – July 6, 2017
  - Agriculture Conservation Committee Meeting – July 6, 2017
  - Finance Committee Meeting – July 6, 2017
- b. Review and approval of district expenditures for June 1, 2017, through June 30, 2017.
- c. Consider approval of payment to Lemon, Shearer, Phillips & Good, P.C. for legal services.

**3. Action Agenda**

- a. Receive presentation by Executive Director Mike Running of the Dumas Economic Development Corporation on the advantages and disadvantages of political subdivisions granting property tax abatements for economic development.
- b. 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.
- c. 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.
- d. Consider final compliance approval of Water Well Permits as active and complete wells.
- e. Receive report from Agriculture Committee regarding the District’s Agricultural Water Conservation Program and the North Plains Water Conservation Center.
- f. Receive report from Property Committee regarding the District’s facilities and development plan.
- g. Receive report from Budget and Finance Committee.

- h. Consider approval of district public funds investment policy.
- i. Review and consider approval of District's depository institutions.
- j. Receive district investment report for the period April 1, 2017 to June 30, 2017.
- k. Receive District Annual Report for 2016.
- l. Consider legal and compliance matters before the District.
- m. 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.
- n. 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 June 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 July 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 July 12, 2017.**

Dated this the 12<sup>th</sup> day of **July 2017**

North Plains Groundwater Conservation District

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Kristen Lane Blackwell, Executive Assistant