

NORTH PLAINS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

BOARD MEETING

10:00 AM Tuesday, March 10, 2020

North Plains Water Conservation Center

6045 County Road E., Dumas, Texas

Call Meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum.

Opening Prayer

Pledge

1. **Public Comment:** Public comment may only be offered during this Agenda item and may either be general in nature, or, may address any specific item on this Agenda. General comments shall be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes, or comments on specific Agenda items shall be limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per Agenda item, not to exceed a total of 9 minutes.

2. Consent Agenda

- a. Review and approval of Minutes of meetings as follows:
 - Regular Board Meeting held January 21, 2020
 - Property Committee Meeting held January 27, 2020
- b. Review and approval of District expenditures for January 1, 2020 through February 29, 2020.
- c. Consider approval of payment to Lemon, Shearer, Phillips & Good, P.C. for professional services and out-of-pocket expenses from January 1, 2020 through February 29, 2020.

3. Action Agenda

- a. Consider resolution regarding optional personal property taxation in 2020 for the North Plains Groundwater Conservation District to property owners in Dallam, Sherman, Hansford, Ochiltree, Lipscomb, Hartley, Moore and Hutchinson Counties, Texas.
- b. Consider Homestead Exemptions for 2020.
- c. Consider action to extend contract between the District and Dr. Steve Amosson regarding professional services related to the Master Irrigator Program.
- d. Consider action to extend the contract between the District and Leon New regarding professional services for revising the Center Pivot Irrigation Manual and services related to technical support for the Master Irrigator Program.
- e. consider ongoing demonstrations lead by Dr. Jourdan Bell regarding cotton irrigation, cover crops and the cotton and conservation education program
- f. Receive report and consider action as needed regarding agriculture water conservation demonstration programs.
- g. Discuss district board and staff cybersecurity training requirement.
- h. Receive report regarding agriculture conservation loan program.
- i. Receive Report regarding Groundwater Management Area 1 Joint Planning
- j. Receive report regarding 2019 Annual Production Reporting.

- k. Receive report regarding Region A Water Planning Area.
- l. Receive report regarding annual water level measurements.
- m. Receive report regarding USGS water quality sampling in the District.
- n. Receive Investment Report for October 1, through December 31, 2019.
- o. Receive report and consider action regarding compliance and contested 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:
 - Consultation with Attorney – Attorney/Client Privileged Consultations (§551.071)
 - Consultation with general counsel regarding pending compliance matters before the District, exempt from the Open Meetings Act pursuant to §551.071 of the Government Code.
- q. Consider recommendation(s) regarding 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 January - February 2020
 - 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 **March 4, 2020**, 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 March 4, 2020.**

Dated this the **4^h** day of **March 2020**

North Plains Groundwater Conservation District

By: _____

Kristen L. Blackwell, Executive Assistant