

**MINUTES OF THE JULY 21, 2015  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING OF  
NORTH PLAINS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT**

The Board of Directors of North Plains Groundwater Conservation District met in regular session July 21, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. in the Conference Room of the North Plains Water Conservation Center, 6045 County Road E., Dumas, Texas 79029. The following persons were present:

**Members Present at 9:11 a.m.:**

Bob B. Zimmer, President;  
Danny Krienke, Secretary;  
Gene Born, Director;  
Harold Grall, Vice-President;  
Mark Howard, Director; and  
Zac Yoder, Director.

**Staff Present during part or all of the meeting:**

Steve Walthour, General Manager;  
Dale Hallmark, Assistant General Manager/Hydrologist;  
Kirk Welch, Assistant General Manager/Outreach;  
Casey Tice, Compliance Coordinator;  
Laura West, Production Monitoring Coordinator; and  
Lynsey Meharg, Conservation Outreach Assistant.

**Others present during part or all of the meeting:**

Leon New;  
Stan Spain;  
Taylor Brown;  
Dr. Charles Hillyer;  
C. C. Sysombath, City of Amarillo;  
F. Keith Good, Attorney;  
Jessica McCallie, Attorney; and  
Ellen Orr, Paralegal.

President Zimmer declared a quorum present and called the meeting to order at 9:11 a.m. Director Yoder gave the invocation. President Zimmer led the pledge.

**1 – Public Comment**

President Zimmer asked if there were persons present who desired to make a public comment. No public comments were received.

**2 – Consent Agenda**

The Consent Agenda, consisting of the review and approval of the Minutes of the April 14, 2015 Board Meeting; the review and approval of the Minutes of the May 12, 2015 Board Meeting; the review and approval of District expenditures for May 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015; and considering approval of payment to Lemon, Shearer, Phillips & Good, P.C. for professional services and out-of-pocket expenses from May 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 was discussed by the Board. Zac Yoder moved to remove the Minutes of the April 14, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting and the review and approval of District expenditures for May 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015 from the Consent Agenda. Danny Krienke seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

Harold Grall moved to approve the Minutes of the May 12, 2015 Board Meeting and payment to Lemon, Shearer, Phillips & Good, P.C. for professional services rendered and out-of-pocket expenses in the amount of \$10,780.09 for May 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015. Danny Krienke seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

Director Justin Crownover arrived to participate in the meeting at 9:15 a.m.

Director Zac Yoder stated that there was an error in the draft Minutes of the April 14, 2015 Board Minutes that were in the Board packet on page 12 in the roll-call vote regarding the Conservation Reserve. Mr. Yoder stated that the Minute draft reflected the following:

President Zimmer called for a roll-call vote:

Harold Grall – No  
Gene Born – Yes  
Justin Crownover – No  
Mark Howard – No  
Zac Yoder – No  
Danny Krienke – Yes  
Bob Zimmer – No

The motion failed with four (4) Board members opposing the motion.

Mr. Yoder stated that his roll-call vote on the Conservation Reserve motion was Yes, rather than the No reflected in the draft of the Minutes.

The General Manager stated that the blanks before the last names of Messrs. Baumann and Smulders in the draft Minutes under Others present during part or all of the meeting should be completed to reflect Mike Baumann and Joost Smulders.

Danny Krienke moved to approve the Minutes of the April 14, 2015 Board of Directors Meeting as amended. Mark Howard seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

President Zimmer stated that he wanted to see the detail and numbers on the District's payroll data and wanted the data to be consistently reported to the Board.

President Zimmer moved to approve the summary and detail of the un-audited District expenses from May 1, 2015 through June 30, 2015, including the General Manager's expense and activity report. Danny Krienke seconded the motion and it was unanimously approved by the Board.

**Action Agenda 3a - Consider Request of Johnny Valenzuela d/b/a Jesus Victory Welding to Waive Penalty and Interest of Moore County Delinquent Taxes.**

The General Manager stated:

In June, the Moore County TAC and the District received a request to waive penalty and interest from Johnny Valenzuela dba Jesus Victory Welding. According to the Moore County TAC, The Moore County Appraisal District (MCAD) has received correspondence from Mr. Valenzuela or representative as follows:

- *Correspondence from James Allen's office stating that Jesus Victory Welding was out of business December 31, 2007.*