

Minutes of Meeting  
8-17-09  
GCGCD

Mr. Dohmann called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. at the Water District office. Everyone stood and recited the Pledge to the United States flag and the Water District Pledge.

Mr. Dohmann introduced guests Wanda Duke and Martha Mullinex of the Texan Express. Roll call of directors found Raulie Irwin absent. Also in attendance was Michelle Shelton, GCGCD office assistant.

**Item 1 – Public Comment on Operations of the District** – Hearing none, the Board proceeded to *Item 2* of the agenda.

**Item 2 - Action on Minutes of August, 3, 2009** – The Board reviewed the minutes of August 3, 2009. Mr. Duke moved to approve the minutes as written. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion carried.

**Item 3 - Financials** –

**a. Monthly Reports** – The Board reviewed the District financial reports for the month of July, 2009. Mr. Duke moved to approve the financial reports. Mr. Dreier seconded and the motion carried.

**b. Pay Bills – Director’s Reimbursements, Rob Baiamonte bill, USGS bill for Coletto Creek and San Antonio River Study** – The Board reviewed Director’s reimbursement expense reports for John Duke in the amount of \$138.60 for mileage; Ms. Smith in the amount of \$142.49 for mileage and reimbursable expenses; and Mr. Kozielski in the amount of \$695.40 for mileage and reimbursable expenses. Mr. Dohmann moved to approve the expense reimbursements. Mr. Ball seconded and the motion carried. The Board reviewed the invoice submitted by Baiamonte Law Firm for the month of July in the amount of \$6,600.00. Ms. Smith moved to approve the invoice as submitted. Mr. Duke seconded and the motion carried. The Board reviewed the bill submitted by the USGS for the San Antonio River Study and Coletto Creek Watershed Study in the amount of \$25,000. Mr. Duke moved to pay USGS \$15,000. \$10,000 for the balance of the completed San Antonio River Study and \$5,000 for the portion of the Coletto Creek Watershed Study that has been completed to-date. Mr. Kozielski seconded and the motion carried.

**c. Discussion and action on line item adjustments** – This agenda item is not necessary due to the action of Item 3B.

**Item 4 - Well Reports** –

**a. New exempt wells** – The Board reviewed the new well registrations for the period 7-27-09 through 8-20-09. There are 4 new exempt well registrations, 2 permitted well registrations, 1 registration that is scheduled for the end of the week and 1 registration pending. No further action was required.

**b. Monitor wells** – The Board reviewed the monitoring report for the level measurements taken with USGS for the Coletto Creek Watershed Study. No further action was required.

**Item 5 - Discussion and action on meetings attended and upcoming meetings** –

**a. Region L – August 6, 2009** – Mr. Kozielski, Mr. Duke, Mr. Dohmann and Mrs. Shelton attended the Region L meeting in San Antonio. Tim Andruss was appointed to the planning board in the water districts slot. The revised 2006 plan was approved. The big issue now will be the 2011 Plan that is due to be approved, by Region L in March 2010. Region L is going to have a workshop on the Gonzales projects on September 15<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 p.m. at the SARA offices. The Guadalupe Basin workshop will be August 28<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 p.m. at the SARA offices and will include a multitude of surface water projects on the Guadalupe River to include the Exelon Project and a new project of a diversion of the Guadalupe

River in Gonzales County. There are some new projects on the horizon to include storage above Canyon. No further action was required.

**b. USGS Meeting – August 28, 2009 – GCGCD offices** – The meeting will take place at 10:00 a.m. at the GCGCD offices and will update all participants on the progress of the Coletto Creek Watershed Study. No further action was required.

**c. Tax Rate Hearing – August 31, 2009** – The tax rate hearing has been scheduled for August 31, 2009. This will be considered the first meeting in September because of the Labor Day Holiday. No further action was required.

**d. Other meetings - None**

#### **Item 6 - Discussion and action on Correspondence –**

**a. Discussion and action on any correspondence** – The Board reviewed an e-mail from Garrett Engelking of Refugio County regarding the weather stations. GCGCD has budgeted \$1,000 for the weather station project for the upcoming fiscal year. No further action was required.

#### **Item 7 - Old Business –**

**a. Discussion and action on contested case hearing preparations** – Mr. Dohmann notified the Board that there are new developments occurring in the contested case. Mr. Dohmann passed out GCGCD draft responses to Executive Director's Interrogatories. Mr. Dohmann advised that there has been contact by UEC regarding combining the PAA-1 into the current contested case. The official request was mailed on August 14, 2009. The combination will be subject to the ALJ agreement and completion of a new schedule. No further action was required.

**b. Discussion and action on move to 118 Market Street** – The move discussion will be deferred until the meeting on August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**c. Discussion and action on paint color and contractor for Market Street Office** – Mr. Ball moved to leave the office white or eggshell and paint one coat in a satin finish, GCGCD purchase the material ourselves and get new bids with just one coat and no material. John Duke seconded. Motion carried. Mr. Ball moved to allow Mr. Dohmann and Ms. Smith make the final decision on the paint contractor and permit Mr. Kozielski to negotiate and purchase the carpet and paint from Lowes. John Duke seconded and the motion carried.

**d. Discussion and action on Rules Revisions** – This agenda item is tabled until the meeting on August 31<sup>st</sup>.

**e. Discussion and action on USGS Study** – No action required on this agenda item.

**f. Discussion and action on District policies** – Mr. Baiamonte provided the District with some recommendations for revisions to the District policies. The Board is instructed to review the recommendations and make a final decision at the next meeting. Ms. Smith investigated the overtime situation with regard to salaried employees. Workforce sent someone over to discuss with her. The mandated guidelines are that you have to meet certain requirements in order to not be paid overtime or comp time, of which no one in the office meets at this time. Mr. Ball stated as long as the District was in compliance as allowing comp time in lieu of overtime pay at the mandated "time and a half", the policy should remain standard. No further action was required.

#### **Item 8 - New Business –**

**a. Discussion and action on personnel matters** – *Chapter 551.074 Government Code allows for executive session on this item.* Ms. Smith moved to adopt the policy statement presented, reverse the last two paragraphs and have available as needed in the office. Mr. Dreier seconded and the motion carried.

**Item 9 - GCGCD Calendar and Agenda Items for next meeting** – The Board reviewed the calendar for the months of August and September. No further action was required.

**Item 10 - Executive Session –**

**RECONVENE IN OPEN SESSION TO TAKE ACTION**

**Item 11 - Public Comment - None**

**Item 12 - Adjourn** – Mr. Kozielski moved to adjourn the meeting. John Duke seconded and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 7:14 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Barbara Smith, Secretary GCGCD  
Michelle Shelton, Office/Field Assistant  
APPROVED BY BOARD 8-31-09