**Minutes of**

**Regular Business Meeting**

**TEXAS ALLIANCE OF GROUNDWATER DISTRICTS**

August 30, 2022

Hyatt Hill Country Resort, Hill Country Ballroom

These minutes are a record of the items discussed, including motions on any matters that involve the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD) Membership. The minutes mostly follow the order on the previously distributed agenda, but may not have been discussed in that order, as noted in the Minutes.

**A.** **Call to Order and Welcome Address.** TAGD President Amber Blount called the meeting to order at 9:31 AM on August 30, 2022 and welcomed members.

**B. Roll Call.** Secretary Bobby Bazan called the roll and informed the President that 61 District Members were in attendance, comprising a quorum. A list of Groundwater Conservation Districts (GCDs) represented at the meeting is included as Attachment 1.

**C. Membership Update and Announcement of New Members.** President Amber Blount reported that TAGD currently had 91 groundwater district members and 39 associate members. New members since the last business meeting were recognized: Saratoga Underground Water Conservation District and John Shomaker & Associates. President Amber Blount asked for introductions of first-time business meeting attendees. Those recognized include: Haley Davis (Culberson County GCD), Whitney Curry (Prairielands GCD), Esteban Lopez (Kenedy County GCD), George Cofran (Blanco-Pedernales GCD), Ken Bullington (Middle Trinity GCD), Billy Barron (High Plains Water District), Stephanie Brady (High Plains Water District), Jennifer McClendon (High Plains Water District), Taylor Rankin (High Plains Water District), and Gray Sanders (High Plains Water District).

**D. Discussion and Possible Action on Minutes of Prior Meeting.** President Amber Blount presented the minutes of the last meeting. Kathy Turner Jones made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Leon Braden seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously without discussion.

**E. Discussion and Possible Action to Approve FY22 Q3 Finances.** Treasurer David Bailey and Executive Director Leah Martinsson presented the FY22 Q3 financial report. Jacob Hernandez made a motion to approve the report as presented. Kathy Turner Jones seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously without discussion.

**F. Discussion and Possible Action on FY23 budget.** Treasurer David Bailey presented the proposed budget for FY23, as recommended by the Finance and Budget Committee and Executive Committee. Britney Britten made a motion to adopt the proposed budget. Dirk Aaron seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

**G. Executive Director and Committee Reports.** Leah Martinsson provided a report on TAGD activities and President Amber Blount asked for the following committee reports:

1. Executive Committee – Amber Blount provided a report on activities.
2. Legislative Committee – Drew Satterwhite provided a report on activities.
3. Bylaws Committee – Andy Garza provided a report on activities.
4. Information & Education Committee – Bobby Bazan gave a report on activities.
5. Finance Committee – David Bailey provided a report on activities.
6. Texas Groundwater Protection Committee – Leah Martinsson gave an update on activities.

**N. Member and GMA Reports.** President Amber Blount invited members to provide updates from each GMA.

**O. Other TAGD Business.** President Amber Blount recognized Janet Adams who announced that she would like to nominate Scott Holland for a TAGD Honorary Membership. Amber requested that the Executive Committee stand to show their approval. All members of the Executive Committee stood and the majority of district members followed with a standing ovation to show approval. Motion carried unanimously. Scott Holland thanked the members for their support and recognition. Amber asked members if there was any other TAGD business to discuss. None was raised.

**P. Adjournment** President Amber Blount adjourned the meeting at 10:17 AM.

Prepared and submitted by Leah Martinsson, Executive Director, and Bobby Bazan, Secretary.

Approved by the Members on \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Amber Blount, President Bobby Bazan, Secretary

Attachment 1

Voting GCD Members Present at August 2022 TAGD Business Meeting

1 Bandera Co. River Authority and Groundwater District

2 Barton Springs Edwards Aquifer Conservation District

3 Bee Groundwater Conservation District

4 Blanco-Pedernales Groundwater Conservation District

5 Bluebonnet Groundwater Conservation District

6 Brazoria County Groundwater Conservation District

7 Brush Country Groundwater Conservation District

8 Central Texas Groundwater Conservation District

9 Clearwater Underground Water Conservation District

10 Coastal Bend Groundwater Conservation District

11 Coastal Plains Groundwater Conservation District

12 Cow Creek Groundwater Conservation District

13 Crockett County Groundwater Conservation District

14 Culberson County Groundwater Conservation District

15 Duval County Groundwater Conservation District

16 Evergreen Underground Water Conservation District

17 Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District

18 Gateway Groundwater Conservation District

19 Glasscock Groundwater Conservation District

20 Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District

21 Guadalupe County Groundwater Conservation District

22 Hemphill County Underground Water Conservation District

23 High Plains Underground Water Conservation District No. 1

24 Irion County Water Conservation District

25 Jeff Davis County Underground Water Conservation District

26 Kenedy County Groundwater Conservation District

27 Kinney County Groundwater Conservation District

28 Lipan-Kickapoo Water Conservation District

29 Live Oak Underground Water Conservation District

30 Llano Estacado Underground Water Conservation District

31 Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District

32 Lone Wolf Groundwater Conservation District

33 McMullen Groundwater Conservation District

34 Medina County Groundwater Conservation District

35 Mesa Underground Water Conservation District

36 Mesquite Groundwater Conservation District

37 Mid-East Texas Groundwater Conservation District

38 Middle Trinity Groundwater Conservation District

39 North Plains Groundwater Conservation District

40 North Texas Groundwater Conservation District

41 Northern Trinity Groundwater Conservation District

42 Panhandle Groundwater Conservation District

43 Pecan Valley Groundwater Conservation District

44 Permian Basin Underground Water Conservation District

45 Plum Creek Conservation District

46 Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District

47 Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District

48 Real-Edwards Conservation and Reclamation District

49 Red River Groundwater Conservation District

50 Reeves County Groundwater Conservation District

51 San Patricio County Groundwater Conservation District

52 Sandy Land Underground Water Conservation District

53 Santa Rita Underground Water Conservation District

54 Saratoga Underground Water Conservation District

55 South Plains Underground Water Conservation District

56 Southeast Texas Groundwater Conservation District

57 Starr County Groundwater Conservation District

58 Sterling County Underground Water Conservation District

59 Trinity Glen Rose Groundwater Conservation District

60 Upper Trinity Groundwater Conservation District

61 Wintergarden Groundwater Conservation District