## PECAN VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 1009 N. ESPLANADE STREET CUERO, TX 77954 BOARD MEETING MINUTES - B SEPTEMBER 19, 2023 – 9:30 A.M.

<u>Board Members Present</u>: Darnell Knippa, Chairman (Pct. 2), Clem Waskow, Vice-Chairman (At Large), Velinda Geffert, Secretary/Treasurer (Pct. 3), Marvin Sager, Director (Pct. 4), Tim Pennell, Director (Pct. 1)

Also in attendance: Cindy Parma, General Manager, Carole Moore, Administrative Assistant, Johnny Dietze, Attorney

- 1. Call to order: The meeting was called to order by the Chairman at 9:30 A.M.
- 2. Roll Call to establish a Quorum: All board members present, quorum established.
- 3. Introduction of Guests and Virtual Visitors/Hearing Participants: Robert Egg
- 4. Public comment: Mr. Egg stated he would like to see Pecan Valley Groundwater Conservation District keep vigilant so that DeWitt County doesn't face critical water issues like other parts of the state.
- 5. Discussion and action on Proposed FY 2024 Budget and Order Adopting Budget; take record vote.: A motion to approve the FY 2024 Budget and Order Adopting Budget as presented was made by Clem Waskow, seconded by Velinda Geffert, which carried unanimously with 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Record Vote: Director Precinct No. 1 "Aye"

Director Precinct No. 2 "Aye" Director Precinct No. 3 "Aye" Director Precinct No. 4 "Aye" Director At-Large "Aye"

6. Discussion and action on 2023 Tax Rate; consider approval of Order setting the 2023 tax rate that does not exceed the No-New-Revenue Rate; take record vote.: Motion made: I move that the tax rate for 2023 be approved and adopted at a rate of \$0.00221 per \$100 valuation. This year's proposed tax rate does not exceed the No-New Revenue tax rate. This year's tax levy to fund maintenance and operations expenditures does not exceed last year's maintenance and operations tax levy made by Tim Pennell, seconded by Marvin Sager, which carried unanimously with 5 ayes and 0 nays.

Record Vote: Director Precinct No. 1 "Aye"

Director Precinct No. 2 "Aye" Director Precinct No. 3 "Aye" Director Precinct No. 4 "Aye" Director At-Large "Aye"

7. Approval of Minutes of August 15, 2023, August 29-31, 2023 Texas Groundwater Summit, and Minutes of September 19, 2023 Meeting A. (provided prior to meeting): A motion to approve the minutes of August 15, 2023, the minutes of August 29-31 2023 Texas

- Groundwater Summit, the minutes of September 19, 2023 Meeting A as presented was made by Marvin Sager, seconded by Velinda Geffert, which carried unanimously.
- 8. Financial Report: Board Treasurer has reviewed August 2023 bank statement reconciliations and finds all in order.: A motion to approve the August 2023 Financial Report was made by Velinda Geffert, seconded by Tim Pennell, which carried unanimously.
- 9. August 2023 Investment Report (provided prior to meeting): A motion to approve the August 2023 Investment Report was made by Tim Pennell, seconded by Marvin Sager, which carried unanimously.
- 10. Budget Amendments for FY 2023 Budget: A motion to approve the budget amendments for FY 2023 as presented was made by Marvin Sager, seconded by Velinda Geffert, which carried unanimously. (See attached report)
- 11. Review and possible action on Internal Control Policy.: A motion to approve as presented, the Internal Control Policy was made by Clem Waskow, seconded by Velinda Geffert, which carried unanimously.
- 12. Review and possible action on Capitalization Policy.: A motion to approve as presented the Capitalization Policy was made by Marvin Sager, seconded by Clem Waskow, which carried unanimously.
- 13. Discussion and possible action on 2024 Texas County and District Retirement System Employer Contribution Rate.: A motion to drop the TCDRS Employer Contribution Rate to 5% for 2024 was made by Tim Pennell, seconded by Velinda Geffert, which carried unanimously.
- 14. General Manager Report. The General Manager will brief the Board on operational and management matters of the District since the last Board meeting, including updates on registration and permitting, Groundwater Management Area matters, work of consultants, the district's database and website, monitoring wells and water levels, conferences, and upcoming events.: General Manager Cindy Parma presented the report. (See attached report.)
- 15. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 10:11 A.M. with a motion by Clem Waskow and seconded by Tim Pennell, which carried unanimously.

Velinda Geffert, Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded: Carole Moore, Administrative Assistant