POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting & Public Hearings
POSGCD District Offices
310 East Avenue C
Milano, TX 76556
April 14, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

POSGCD Board Members Present

Jay Wilder
John Redington
Becky Goetsch
Robert Jekel
Kit Worley
Lee Pelzel
Jeffrey Zgabay
Buster Evers

Board Members Absent

Ed Savage
Brian Wallis

POSGCD Staff Present

Gary Westbrook
Michael Redman
Kelli Timmerman
Jeff Fisher – online
Travis Wood – online
Jaclyn Wise
Gregory Perry
Craig Andrews – online

POSGCD Consultants Present

Kristen Fancher	Fancher Legal- online
Steve Young	Intera

Public Attendance

Jesse Corona	
Kathleen McGowan	Landowner
Mike McGowan	Landowner
Collin Brodgen	Knife River
Jeet Sadhwari	Knife River
Shelly Stautz	Landowner
George Stautz	Landowner

Vicky Svetlick	Landowner
Roxanne Proudley	Landowner
Victor Svetlick	Landowner
Bill Proudley	Landowner
Mary Lou Loehr	Landowner
Dan Fischer	Landowner
Maryland Templeton	Landowner
Darla Cox	Landowner
Steve Thoreson	LWS
Alan Gardenhire	SLR

Public Attendance via online

Kristen Fancher
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19796352095
Blaire Parker
Casey Cooper
Jim
L Bevis
Michael
Stefan

Board Meeting

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Director John Redington led the pledges to the flags of the United States and Texas.

2. Invocation

General Manager Gary Westbrook gave the invocation.

3. Call to Order and establish quorum

Board President Jay Wilder called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m. Directors Brian Wallis and Ed Savage were absent.

4. Public Comment

Board President Jay Wilder invited public comment. No public comments were made.

5. Public Hearing on application submitted on March 16, 2026, by Knife River Concrete, 272 Western Hills Rd., Rockdale, Texas 76567, to produce 35 gallons per minute, not to exceed 5.7 Acre Feet per year, from the Hooper Aquifer for Industrial Purposes on property at the same address.

President Wilder opened the Public Hearing at 5:34 pm.

Michael Redman, POSGCD Assistant General Manager, overviewed a presentation regarding the application submitted by Knife River Concrete. He answered questions from the Board. Jeet Sadhwari and Collin Brogden, Knife River, also answered questions from the Board regarding this permit application.

Mary Loehr made public comment on the permit application submitted by Knife River.

President Wilder closed the Public Hearing at 6:21 p.m.

6. Discussion and possible action on application submitted on March 16, 2026, by Knife River Concrete, 272 Western Hills Rd., Rockdale, Texas 76567, to produce 35 gallons per minute, not to exceed 5.7 Acre Feet per year, from the Hooper Aquifer for Industrial Purposes on property at the same address.

Board Counsel, Kristen Fancher, recommended tabling this agenda item based on feedback received. After discussion, Director Jeffrezy Zgabay moved to table this agenda item and was seconded by Director Kit Worley. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

7. Consent Agenda

All of the following items on the Consent Agenda are considered to be self-explanatory by the Board and will be enacted with one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board Member requests.

a) Minutes of March 10, 2026 Board Meeting
b) Update on Aquifer Conservancy Program (ACP) enrollments
c) Water Well Monitoring Update: Number of wells and frequency of measurements
d) Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken
e) Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report
f) Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities
g) Report of Protests of Applications filed with Railroad Commission of Texas
h) Receive report from General Manager on recent District activities and take appropriate actions

1. Permit applications filed with the District and Hearing Dates; Emergency Permits Granted
2. Well Drilling activities: registrations, applications, completions, plugging, inspections
3. Recent and future District presentations and activities

a. Groundwater Management Area 8 Meeting of March 31, 2026
b. Groundwater Management Area 12 Meetings of April 2, 2026, April 16, 2026, and April 27, 2026
c. Milam and Burleson Counties Groundwater Summit of August 6, 2026
d. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts Groundwater Summit of September 1-3, 2026

GM Westbrook requested to pull item 7.h.3.b from the Consent Agenda and discussed during agenda item 8.i. Director Redington moved to approve the

Consent Agenda as presented with item 7.h.3.b. being moved to discuss during item 8.i. and was seconded by Director Becky Goetsch. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

8. Regular Agenda

a) Award 2026 Groundwater Conservation Grants

GM Westbrook gave a brief report and presented recommendations to the Board from the Grant Committee:

- Cade Lakes WSC $176,620: extending water lines, elimination of dead-end flush points
- Centerline WSC $252,750: installation of new pipe and isolation valves
- Southwest Milam WSC: $14,500 replacement of obsolete meters
- Clay WSC: $253,000 engineering analysis to reduce manganese
- City of Somerville: $250,000 replacement of obsolete meters

Director Buster Evers moved to approve the Grant Committee's recommendations for award of the 2026 Groundwater Conservation Grants and was seconded by Director Lee Pelzel. The motion passed unanimously with Director Worley abstaining from discussion and voting on this agenda item.

b) Request to amend application and contract for Groundwater Conservation Grants

1) 2024 Tunis WSC
2) 2024 City of Caldwell #1
3) 2024 City of Rockdale
4) 2022 Marlow WSC

After brief discussion, Director Redington moved to approve granting 6-month extensions of time for the above-mentioned Groundwater Conservation Grants. He was seconded by Director Pelzel. The motion passed unanimously with Directors Zgabay and Jekel abstaining from discussion and voting on this agenda item.

c) Review of topics for Milam and Burleson Counties Groundwater Summit of August 6, 2026

GM Westbrook reported that staff had sent out a survey to request input from the public on topics for the Milam and Burleson Counties Groundwater Summit for 2026. He then overviewed the draft topics for the Summit. Directors discussed the topics and were pleased with the effort by staff and the topics for the Summit.

d) Employment of District Staff- Field Tech position

Gregory Perry, POSGCD Water Resource Specialist, introduced the new Field Technician, Jesse Corona. Mr. Corona introduced himself and thanked the Board for the opportunity to work at the District.

e) Discussion and possible action on Contracts with Texas A&M AgriLife for services for education and water conservation programs

GM Westbrook discussed the current contracts with AgriLife. After discussion, he asked the Board to allow him to terminate the current AgriLife contracts with 60-day notice and enter into agreements with the individual specialists and/or their departments who meet the needs of POSGCD's continuing education.

After discussion, Director Worley moved to accept the recommendation from GM Westbrook and give him the authority to terminate AgriLife contracts with appropriate timing and move forward with working with individuals specialists and/or their departments for continuing education efforts. He was seconded by Director Redington. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

f) Review District Aquifer Conservancy Program

GM Westbrook gave an update on success of the Aquifer Conservancy Program. He noted the budget will be exceeded this year due to this success.

g) Review District 2026 Budget and possible adjustments to fees to support 2027 Budget

GM Westbrook reviewed the 2026 Budget and possible adjustments needed to support and balance the 2027 Budget. This included additional funding to support the Aquifer Conservancy Program. He answered questions from the Board. After discussion, direction was given to Staff to gather ACP enrollment percentage, leased percentages and compare to total acres in the District. Direction was also given to provide a cost increase comparison of 1 cent, 2 cents and 3 cents rate increases for production fees charged by the District. Discussion will continue at future meetings.

h) Review progress of 5-Year Review

Kristen Fancher gave a brief update on the 5-year review.

i) Review of water level changes in 22 Hills Area of Milam County and instructions to staff

Dr. Steve Young, Intera, provided a presentation entitled Overview of GMA 12 and Hydrology of 22 Hills. GM Westbrook and Dr. Young provided discussion and answered questions from the Board.

GM Westbrook also reviewed and discussed a report presented recently to GMA 12 on behalf of the Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District by WestWater Research entitled, Socioeconomic Impact Study of Simsboro Aquifer Desired Future Conditions.

After discussion, President Wilder convened the Board into Executive Session at 8:15 p.m.

President Wilder reconvened the Board into Regular Session at 8:37 p.m. and noted that no action was taken during Executive Session.

j) Consider contracts for electricity and instructions to staff

GM Westbrook asked for guidance on how to proceed with an electricity contract for the POSGCD office. After discussion, it was decided GM Westbrook would look into Public Power Pool and bring more information back to the May Board meeting.

9. Dates, locations, times, and agenda items of future meetings

The next Board Meeting is scheduled for May 12th at 5:30 p.m.

10. Adjourn Board Meeting

The meeting was adjourned at 8:41 pm.

THE ABOVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD ON APRIL 14, 2026 WERE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THAT BOARD ON 5-12-26, 2026

Jay Wilder, President

Attest:

Gary Westbrook, General Manager

Date 5-12-26