POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board of Directors Meeting
POSGCD District Offices
310 East Avenue C
Milano, TX 76556
July 8, 2025 – 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

POSGCD Board Members Present

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

Board Members Absent

Ed Savage
Brian Wallis
Buster Evers

POSGCD Staff Present

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

POSGCD Consultants Present

Kristen Fancher	Fancher Legal, PLLC (online)
Steve Young	Intera (online)

Public Attendance

Andy Wier	SAWDF
Alan Gardenhire	SLR
Kelsey Ede	Ede & Co.
Kevin Ede	Ede & Co.
Casey Cooper	Terrill & Waldrop

Public Attendance via online
Stefan
Clay
R Martin

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

President Jay called the Board Meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. and noted that seven Directors were present. Directors Ed Savage, Brian Wallis and Buster Evers were absent.

4. Public Comment

No public comments were made.

5. 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 May 13, 2025 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) 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 (GMA 8) Meeting of June 24, 2025

b. Groundwater Management Area 12 (GMA 12) Meeting of June 27, 2025
c. District Well Sampling Campaign July 7-17, 2025
d. Milam and Burleson Counties Groundwater Summit of August 7, 2025
e. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts Groundwater Summit of August 19-21, 2025
f. District actions concerning Applications filed with the Railroad Commission of Texas

GM Westbrook and Gregory Perry, POSGCD Water Resource Specialist, answered questions from the Board concerning bills paid and monitoring of production and water levels at larger wells to ensure accuracy of reporting to the District. Mr. Westbrook will ask Stefan Schuster of EPCOR to attend the August Board Meeting to answer questions. Following discussion, Director Kit Worley moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and was seconded by Director Becky Goetsch. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

6. Regular Agenda

a) Receive and accept 2024 Audit

Kevin Ede, Ede & Co., gave an overview of the 2024 POSGCD audit and answered questions from the Board. Mr. Ede stated the auditor's opinion was the best opinion that could be given. After discussion, Director John Redington moved to accept the 2024 audit and was seconded by Director Robert Jekel. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

b) Update on legislation filed during the 89th Legislature relating to Post Oak Savannah GCD and other groundwater conservation districts, and possible related topics for Special Session

Robby Cook, Riceland Consulting, gave an update on legislation filed during the 89th Legislature and answered questions from the Board.

c) Comprehensive overview of possible amendments to District Rules, including but not limited to Section 1.1 Definitions of Terms, Section 4.3 Monitoring Requirements, Section 5.1 Maximum Allowable Permitted Production, Section 5.3 Waivers and Variances, Section 5.5 Regulation of Production For Local Water Utilities, Section 7 .1 General Permit and Registration Provisions, Section 7.4 Application Requirement For All Permits, Section 7.6 Considerations For Granting Permits, Section 7.8 Amendment of a Permit, Section 7.11 Well Registration, Section 7.12 Drilling Permits, Section 7.14 Historic Use Permits, Section 12.4 Standards of Completion for Wells, Section 15.3 Rule Enforcement, Section 15.4 Penalties for Non-Compliance, Section 16.3 Monitoring of Groundwater, Section 16.4 Actions Based on Monitoring Results, Section 16.5 Five (5) Year Reviews, Section 16.8 Permit Limitations and Reductions, Section

16.9 Exceptions, and Section 18.2 Verification of Groundwater Availability Study
Michael Redman, POSGCD Regulatory Compliance Specialist, overviewed possible amendments to the District Rules. Mr. Redman and GM Westbrook answered questions from the Board. After discussion, Director Jeffrey Zgabay moved to set public hearings for the amendments to the District Rules. He was seconded by Director Worley. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

d) Review of possible amendments to District Management Plan, including but not limited to List Of Figures, Section 3.0, Section 4.0.2, Section 4.0.3, Section 4.0.4, Section 4.0.5, Section 5.0, Section 5.0.3, Section 5.0.4, Section 5.0.5, Section 5.0.6, Section 5.0.7, Section 5.0.8, Section 6.0, Section 7.0.1, Table 7-1, Section 7.0.3, Table 7-5, Section 8.0, Section 9.0, Section 10.0, Section 11.0, Section 12.0, New Section 13.0, Section 14.0, Section 15.0, Section 16.0, Section 21.1.1, Section 21.3.1, Section 21.3.3, Section 29.0
Mr. Redman overviewed possible amendments to the District Management Plan and answered questions from the Board. Directory Worley moved to set public hearings for the amendments to the District Management Plan and was seconded by Director Zgabay. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

e) Execute contract for internet services with Brightspeed Enterprise
GM Westbrook answered questions from the Board. After discussion, Director Jekel moved to approve execution of the contract for internet services with Brightspeed Enterprise. He was seconded by Director Zgabay. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

f) Declaration of Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer as Non-relevant in GMA 8 for current round of joint planning
GM Westbrook reviewed the need for this action and the recommendation from the District Hydrogeologist. Director Redington moved to approve declaring the Brazos River Alluvium Aquifer as non-relevant in GMA 8 for the current round of joint planning and was seconded by Director Jekel. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

g) Request from City of Snook to amend application and contract for 2024 Groundwater Conservation Grant
GM Westbrook reviewed the request from the City of Snook. After discussion Director Worley moved to approve this request and was seconded by Director Jekel. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

h) Amend Board Policies
Amendments to the Board Policies was recommended due to items being passed during this legislative session that would make it possible for POSGCD Board to act on those approved items. Mr. Redman overviewed the amendments to the Board Policies. Director Redington moved to approve the amendments to

the Board Policies and was seconded by Director Goetsch. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

i) Discussion of staffing, office space, and direction

GM Westbrook spoke about spacing issues for staff and future staff in the POSGCD office. He also discussed a near-future need for another field technician. He asked that the Board grant the Advisory Committee the authority to discuss and make changes to the POSGCD building as seen fit and address staffing changes. After discussion, Director Jekel moved to empower GM Westbrook to make modifications to the office space as needed to accommodate a new work station for field technicians. He was seconded by Director Worley. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

7. Dates, locations, and times of future meetings

The next Board Meeting will be held on August 12th, 2025 at 5:30 p.m. at the District office.

8. Adjourn Board Meeting

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

THE ABOVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD ON JULY 8, 2025 WERE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THAT BOARD ON Aug. 12, **, 2025**

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Jay Wilder, President

Attest:
________________________ Date 8-12-25
Gary Westbrook, General Manager