

POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting & Public Hearings
POSGCD District Offices
310 East Avenue C
Milano, TX 76556
January 13, 2026 – 5:30 p.m.

MINUTES

POSGCD Board Members Present

Jay Wilder
Becky Goetsch
Robert Jekel
Lee Pelzel
Kit Worley
Jeffrey Zgabay
Ed Savage - online
Buster Evers
Brian Wallis

Board Members Absent

John Redington

POSGCD Staff Present

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

POSGCD Consultants Present online

Kristen Fancher Fancher Legal

Public Attendance

Charles Small	Landowner
Amy Casas	Landowner
Billy Ogea	Landowner
Joyce Bayless	Landowner
Landis Bayless	Landowner
David Smith	4-H/AgriLife
Ryan Cupps	Lauren Concrete
Blodgett	SLR
Jay Lea	Lauren Concrete

Nathan Ausley	Landowner
Bill Whitmire	Milam County
Andy Holcombe	Milam County 4-H

Public Attendance via online

Stefan Schuster	EPCOR
Alan Gardenhire	SLR
Andy Weir	SAWDF
Casey Cooper	
Steven Thoreson	
Jennifer Windscheffel	
Preston Martin	

Board Meeting

1. Pledge of Allegiance

Director Brian Wallis led the pledges to the flags of the United States and Texas.

2. Invocation

Director Buster Evers gave the invocation.

3. Oath of Office for Appointed Directors

Assistant General Manager, Michael Redman, administered the Oaths of Office for Directors Jay Wilder, Becky Goetsch, Buster Evers, Kit Worley and Brian Wallis.

4. Call to Order and establish quorum

Board President Jay Wilder called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and noted that nine directors were present with Director John Redington absent.

5. Public Comment

No public comments were made.

6. Election of Board Officers

Director Worley nominated that President Wilder continues as Board President, Director John Redington continues as Board Vice-President and Director Becky Goetsch continues as Board Secretary/Treasurer, and that all be elected by acclamation. He was seconded by Director Roby Jekel. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

7. Public Hearing on application submitted on November 18, 2025, by Lauren Concrete, 2454 W Hwy 79, Rockdale, Texas 76567, to produce 50 gallons per minute, not to exceed 12.56 Acre Feet per year from the Hooper Aquifer for Industrial Purposes on property at the same address.

President Wilder opened the Public Hearing at 5:35 p.m. POSGCD Regulatory Compliance Specialist, Jeff Fisher, overviewed a presentation entitled Lauren

Concrete LLC Permit Hearing. Mr. Redman clarified that this property is within the ETJ of the City of Rockdale. The applicant did receive permission from the City of Rockdale to put in this well.

Landis Bayless made public comment regarding the effects of this well on his family's groundwater. Mr. Redman answered questions from Mr. Bayless about the details of this permit. The Board thanked him for his comments.

The Public Hearing was closed at 5:50 p.m.

8. Discussion and possible action on application submitted on November 18, 2025, by Lauren Concrete, 2454 W Hwy 79, Rockdale, Texas 76567, to produce 50 gallons per minute, not to exceed 12.56 Acre Feet per year from the Hooper Aquifer for Industrial Purposes on property at the same address.

After discussion, Director Wallis moved to approve the permit and was seconded by Director Evers. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

9. 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 November 18, 2025 Board Meeting and Public Hearings
- b) Draft 2025 Annual Report
- c) Execute Contract with Riceland Consulting for Legislative services for 2026
- d) Execute Contract with Ede and Company for 2025 Auditing Services
- e) Update on Aquifer Conservancy Program (ACP) enrollments
- f) Water Well Monitoring Update: Number of wells and frequency of measurements
- g) Groundwater Well Assistance Program (GWAP) Update: investigations and corrective actions taken
- h) Bills received, current financial status, Investment Officer Report.
- i) Review of Recent Education Efforts and Activities
- j) Report of Protests of Applications filed with Railroad Commission of Texas
- k) 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. 2026 Groundwater Conservation Grant Packets mailed out January 5, 2026
 - b. Tri County Crops Committee Winter Crops Program of January 13, 2026

c. Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts Meetings of January 20-21, 2026

d. Groundwater Management Area 12 Meeting of January 23, 2026

e. Texas Groundwater Association Conference of January 27-30, 2026

f. Groundwater Management Area 8 Meeting of January 28, 2026

Director Goetsch moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented and was seconded by Director Ed Savage. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

10. Regular Agenda

a) Report from David Smith, Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors

David Smith overviewed a presentation and gave an overview of the activities of the 2025 4-H Water Ambassadors. He introduced Milam County's 4-H Ambassador, Luke Holcombe.

b) Consider sponsorship for 2026 of Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors

After discussion, Director Worley moved to continue support for the Texas 4-H Water Ambassador program at the \$5,000 level and was seconded by Director Pelzel. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

c) Discussion and possible action on request from Burleson County AgriLife Extension Service for funding to install rainwater harvesting equipment and system on Burleson County AgriLife Extension Building for use in District Education efforts

POSGCD Education Coordinator, Jaclyn Wise, overviewed a presentation on behalf of John Grange with AgriLife Extension out of Burleson County. AgriLife is requesting funding to install a rainwater harvesting system at the Burleson County AgriLife Extension office. The tank would be a 6,100-gallon, galvanized steel, dome top tank. Installing this tank would make the Burleson County AgriLife office a permanent teaching site for the District's Rainwater Harvesting Education efforts. This tank would collect approximately 4,000 gallons per inch of rain and could save up to half an acre-foot of water per year. The cost to fund this project would be \$48,985. GM Westbrook answered questions concerning District Budget for this request and agreements with AgriLife. After discussion concerning oversight and cost, Director Worley moved to approve the request and proceed with the project allowing District Staff to manage oversight of installation. He was seconded by Director Jekel. The motion passed unanimously of all present.

d) Appoint Enforcement Committee

President Wilder noted this Committee would review and discuss permittees requesting hearings and provide reports on these discussions to the Board. He

appointed Directors Evers, Zgabay, Pelzel and Redington to serve on this committee.

e) CONVENE INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION; Pursuant to Sec. 551.071, Tex. Gov. Code. **CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY** to receive advice of the attorney about pending or contemplated litigation or a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governing body under Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct conflicts with this chapter.

a. Update on nonsuit of SLR Property I, LP v. Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District, et. al, Cause No. CV-42669, Milam County District Court.

b. Final judgment by the District against Roy David Crush, Jr. and related collection action and procedures.

President Wilder convened the Board into Executive Session at 6:32 p.m.

President Wilder reconvened the Board into Regular Session at 6:52 p.m. He noted that no action was taken during Executive Session.

11. Dates, locations, and times of future meetings

The next Board Meeting will be held on February 10th at 5:30 p.m.

Director Worley requested to discuss a satellite office at a future Board Meeting.

12. Adjourn Board Meeting

The Board Meeting was adjourned at 6:55 p.m.

THE ABOVE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE POST OAK SAVANNAH GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT HELD ON JANUARY 13, 2026 WERE APPROVED AND ADOPTED BY THAT BOARD ON 2-10-2026, 2026



Jay Wilder, President

Attest: 

Gary Westbrook, General Manager

Date 2-10-2026