

Minutes from the July 19th, 2011 PCCD regular scheduled meeting  
to be presented on August 16th, 2011 for Board approval and  
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Notices of this regular meeting were posted in the Hays and Caldwell County Courthouses at least 72 hours prior to the meeting. Receipts of the notices are on file in the office of Plum Creek Conservation District.

Checks were reviewed and signed, just prior to the call to order, by Vice President, James O Lipscomb.

- 1:00 PM The meeting was called to order by Vice President of the Board, James Lipscomb, with the following Board members present: James Holt (President), Peter Reinecke (Secretary/Treasurer), Lucy Knight (Director), Ben Twidwell (Director) and Fred Rothert (Director). Also present were Johnnie Halliburton (Executive Manager), Bob Wilson (PCCD Attorney) Feathergail Wilson (PCCD Geologist) and PCCD staff Karen Bassett, Korey Schuelke and Dan Meyer. Minutes were taken by Karen Bassett and transcribed by Korey Schuelke.
- 1:00PM Vice-President Lipscomb requested motions or comments regarding the minutes of the Plum Creek Conservation District Regular Meeting held on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Mrs. Knight made a motion to approve the minutes of the Plum Creek Conservation District Regular Meeting held on June 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011 as circulated. Mr. Twidwell provided the second and the motion was approved unanimously.
- 1:00PM Vice-President Lipscomb requested discussion of Item III on the agenda. Mr. Halliburton then discussed the partial release of an easement on lots 26 and 27 of the Four Seasons Farm subdivision in Hays County at the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site 2. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed the exact language with the partial easement vacation for lots 26 and 27 of the Four Seasons Farm subdivision and the reason for the partial easement vacation. Mr. Twidwell made a motion to approve the partial easement vacation for lots 26 and 27 of the Four Seasons Farm subdivision. Mrs. Knight provided the second and the motion was approved unanimously.
- 1:05PM Vice-President Lipscomb requested discussion of Item IV on the agenda. Mr. Halliburton then discussed a request by the City of Lockhart for a replacement well for water well #10, which is now defunct. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed the specifics of the request and the specifics of the well itself. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed the City of Lockhart's plans for the replacement well now and into the future. Mr. Feather Wilson then discussed the well and its possible performance in depth, describing multiple processes used to determine its probable performance. Mr. Feather Wilson also gave the Board of Directors a presentation on information discovered during the analysis of the City of Lockhart's replacement well. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed different scenarios which may require the City of Lockhart to request an increase in pumpage. Mr. Twidwell also discussed the rule regarding surface acres of land versus acre feet of water, as it pertains to an increase in pumpage. The Board of Directors then posed questions to Mr. Bob Wilson and Mr. Feather Wilson. Mrs. Knight made a motion to approve the replacement well for the City of Lockhart. Mr. Twidwell provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.
- 1:24PM Vice-President Lipscomb requested discussion of Item VI on the agenda. Mr. Halliburton then discussed the planning of a possible rehabilitation project at the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site 6. Mr. Halliburton then introduced Mr. Ronnie Skala and Mr. David Strakos with the Natural Resources Conservation Service, as well as Mr. Johnny Cosgrove with the Texas Com-

mission on Environmental Quality. Mr. Skala then gave the Board of Directors a presentation of the options of rehabilitation at the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site 6 and the decommissioning of the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site 6. Mr. Skala also discussed the current performance of the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site 6 and the performance of the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site 6 after rehabilitation. Mr. Skala then discussed the effects of decommissioning Site 6 and gave the Board of Directors a timeline on the possible rehabilitation of the Plum Creek Conservation District's Site 6. Mr. Halliburton then asked Mr. Johnny Cosgrove of the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality to discuss the liability issues involved with both alternatives, the rehabilitation of Site 6 and the decommissioning of Site 6. Mr. Cosgrove then explained the liabilities involved with leaving the Site 6 structure as it is, the decommissioning of the Site 6 structure, and rehabilitating the Site 6 structure. The Board of Directors then posed questions to Mr. Cosgrove.

1:52PM President Holt then took charge of the meeting.

1:52PM President Holt then requested discussion of Item V on the agenda. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed the status of the land purchase from the City of Lockhart and issues that needed to be resolved prior to the purchase.

1:57PM President Holt then requested discussion of Item VII on the agenda. Mr. Halliburton then introduced Mr. Matt Warren, with Creekside Rural Investments, Inc., and their request regarding an unhindered passageway through the auxiliary spillway on the west side of the property. Mr. Halliburton then showed the Board of Directors on a map the areas that Mr. Warren and Mr. Jay Dickens, also of Creekside Rural Investments, Inc., would like to travel unencumbered by gates to open and close. Mr. Halliburton then described Mr. Dickens' request for cattle guards to be placed next to each gate in that area to prevent him and his staff from having to open gates. Mr. Warren then informed the Board of Directors that they requested cattle guards at each end of the area and a base of gravel be placed along the path. Mr. Halliburton, Mr. Warren, and the Board of Directors discussed the request in depth. Mr. Reinecke made a motion that a gate be installed at each end of the area along the west side of the auxiliary spillway. Mr. Twidwell provided the second and the motion was approved unanimously.

2:12PM President Holt requested discussion of Item VIII on the agenda. The Office Building Committee provided the Board of Directors with their top three architectural firms to possibly hire for services. Mrs. Knight named the committee's top three architectural firms as Thom Earnest Architect, Southwest Engineers, and Gomillion Kester Zimmerman Inc. The Office Building Committee was instructed to receive proposals from at least the top two architectural firms to present to the Board of Directors.

2:19PM President Holt requested discussion of Item IX on the agenda. Mr. Halliburton then discussed the possible approval and execution of an audit-engagement letter for the 2010-2011 audit services of Jansen and Gregorczyk. Mr. Twidwell made a motion to approve and execute an audit-engagement letter for the 2010-2011 audit services of Jansen and Gregorczyk. Mr. Rothert provided the second and the motion was approved unanimously.

2:21PM President Holt requested a report from the Plum Creek Conservation District's Geologist, Mr. William Feathergail Wilson. Mr. Feather Wilson first discussed the City of Lockhart's replacement well. Mr. Feather Wilson then shared different maps that he had constructed with the Board of Directors and gave explanations regarding each map and its components. Mr. Feather Wilson then discussed the Hosston aquifer with the Board of Directors.

- 2:39PM President Holt requested a report from the Natural Resources Conservation Service's District Conservationist, Mr. Isidro Morales. Mr. Morales stated that he had nothing to report at this time.
- 2:40PM President Holt requested a report from the Plum Creek Conservation District's Assistant Manager, Mr. Daniel Meyer. Mr. Meyer first discussed a recent Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts' meeting that he had attended. Mr. Meyer then discussed a recent Groundwater Management Area-13 meeting that he had attended. Mr. Meyer discussed an upcoming Groundwater Management Area-10 meeting that he would be attending. Mr. Meyer also discussed the disannexation forms necessary for SB 1225, regarding the dually annexed land in the southeastern portion of Caldwell County.
- 2:56PM President Holt requested a report from the Plum Creek Conservation District's Executive Manager, Mr. Johnnie Halliburton. Mr. Halliburton discussed the status of the Site 5 rehabilitation. Mr. Halliburton stated that Mr. Danny Green had signed the agreement with the Plum Creek Conservation District regarding his building a flood protection berm around his property. Mr. Halliburton discussed the status of the inter-local agreement between the Plum Creek Watershed Partnership and the Plum Creek Conservation District, as a financing party. Mr. Halliburton stated that the Plum Creek Conservation District had changed well log providers from Balcones Geological Services to Cambe Geological Services. Mr. Halliburton informed the Board of Directors that the materials had been purchased and the Plum Creek Conservation District was awaiting a service rig to install the monitoring station at the Nohra Well. Mr. Halliburton informed the Board of Directors that the Plum Creek Conservation District and the Gonzales County Underground Water Conservation District had agreed upon a letter and a form regarding SB 1225 and they would be mailed to the landowners in the dually annexed area in southeastern Caldwell County in a few days time and that Senator Hegar had been updated as to this status. Mr. Halliburton gave the Board of Directors the status of the new fence construction occurring at Site 16. Mr. Halliburton informed the Board of Directors that Mr. Schuelke continues to treat brush and fix damaged fences as they occur. Mr. Halliburton then showed the Board of Directors before and after photos regarding the recent brush removal at Site 6.
- 3:08PM President Holt requested a report from the Plum Creek Conservation District's Attorney, Mr. Bob Wilson. Mr. Bob Wilson discussed the status of the compliance with SB 1225 and issues that he had encountered during this process. Mr. Bob Wilson then discussed new legislation that may have an effect on the Plum Creek Conservation District. Mr. Bob Wilson also discussed upcoming work on mitigation rules.
- 3:12PM President Holt requested any other business including public comments. President Holt also stated that all of Item XV on the agenda had been discussed earlier during Item V.
- 3:14PM Mr. Twidwell made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Rothert provided the second and the motion passed unanimously.

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