

MINUTES

CAPITAL AREA GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

November 19, 2020

I. Call to Order

The Capital Area Groundwater Conservation Commission met virtually at 2:00 p.m. on November 19, 2020. The meeting was called to order by the Chairman, Nelson Morvant.

II. Roll Call

The following members were present: Ronnie Albritton, William Daniel, Patrick Hobbins, Dennis McGehee, Nelson Morvant, Joey Normand, Matthew Reonas, "J.A." Rummeler, Ryan Scardina, and Mark Walton. The following members were absent: Kenneth Dawson, Mark Frey, Jesse Means, Thomas Perkins, Tom Stephens, Todd Talbot and Hays Town.

Others attending the meeting were: Gary Beard & Shawn Scallan, Capital Area Groundwater Conservation District; David Mitchell, The Advocate; Ryan Clark & Alyssa Dausman, The Water Institute; Hunter Odum; Marionneaux Kantrow, LLC; Tyler McCloud & Su King, Louisiana House of Representatives; Max Lindaman, U.S. Geological Survey; Dr. Frank Tsai, Louisiana State University; Roy Waggenpack, Owen & White; Tokesha Collins, Louisiana Chemical Association; Scott Bergeron, Professional Technical Support Services, Inc.; Douglas Carlson, Louisiana Geological Survey; Russell Honore, Green Army and Mary Lee Orr, Louisiana Environmental Action Network.

III. Public Comment (Agenda Items)

There was no public comment.

IV. Minutes

Mr. Daniel made a motion that the minutes of the October 19, 2020 be approved. Mr. Walton seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

V. Executive Director's Report

At the request of Chairman Morvant, Mr. Gary Beard gave a report on the items below. Following is a summary of items discussed at the meeting.

- Mr. Beard stated that the board must do an annual review and re-adoption of pumping limits. Mr. Walton made a motion that the current pumping limits of 25 million gallons per day for the "1,500-foot" sand and 23.5 million gallons per day for the "2,000-foot" sand be adopted for calendar year 2021. Mr. Daniel seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
- Mr. Beard reported that he has requested for capital outlay for fiscal year 2021-2022.
- The draft of the District's By-Laws were reviewed and modified by members of the Board. Mr. Daniel made a motion to approve the By-Laws as amended and to authorize the Assistant Executive Director to correct any grammatical errors. Mr. Normand seconded the motion. A roll call vote was taken: Yays-9; Nays - 0; Abstain - 0.
- The draft of the District's Rules of Order were reviewed and modified by members of the Board. Mr. Walton made a motion to approve the Rules of Order as amended and to authorize the Assistant Executive Director to correct any grammatical errors. Mr. Daniel seconded the motion. A public comment was given by Russell Honore. A roll call vote was taken: Yays - 10; Nays - 0; Abstain - 0.
- Mr. Beard presented the amended budget for fiscal year 2020-2021. The total expenditures remain the same. Mr. Walton made a motion to approve the budget. Mr. Normand seconded the motion. The motion passed.

VI. Old Business

Mr. Beard reported that there will be a virtual kickoff meeting for Phase 2 of the Capital Area Groundwater Conservation Commission Strategic Plan.

VII. New Business

There was no new business.

VIII. Announcements


There were no announcements.

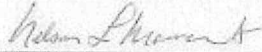
IX. Public Comment (Non-Agenda Items Only)

Mr. Russell Honore commented on what appeared to be an ethics violation. There was no further discussion on this topic. Mr. Normand, Mr. Walton and Mr. Daniel congratulated the Commission and thanked Su King and Marionneaux Kantrow on the completion of the By-laws and Rules of Order.

XI. Adjournment

Mr. Walton made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Daniel seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:35 p.m.


Mark Frey, Secretary/Treasurer


Nelson Morvant, Chairman