

Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District

Board of Directors Agenda Minutes

Wednesday, August 18, 2021

The Board of Directors convened at 6:10 p.m. in an in person/telephonic/video conference meeting pursuant to public notice having been given, pursuant to the Office of the Governor's temporary suspension of certain open meetings act laws due to the novel coronavirus. The following members of the Board attending in person were: President Michael Talbot; Secretary-Treasurer Michael Simmang; Directors: Herbert Cook, Phil Cook, David Fleming, Billy Sherrill and Carl Steinbach. Vice-President Smith and Directors Kathryn Rogers and Larry Schatte attended virtually.

Staff members present: Jim Totten, General Manager; and Peggy Champion.

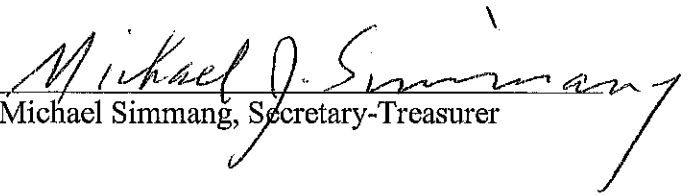
Consultants present: Natasha Martin, District Counsel and Andy Donnelly, Hydrogeologist.

1. President Talbot called the meeting to order.
2. Welcome and introductions.
3. *Public Comments.* President Talbot explained the process in which public comments would be heard. The Board heard comments from the public on non-agenda items.
4. *Public hearing to receive public comments on the proposed Desired Future Conditions for the area aquifers that were recently adopted by Groundwater Management Area 12 (GMA 12) under Texas Water Code 36.108. GMA 12 includes the groundwater conservation districts as follows: Brazos Valley Groundwater Conservation District, Fayette County Groundwater Conservation District, Lost Pines Groundwater Conservation District, Mid-East Texas Groundwater Conservation District, and Post Oak Savannah Groundwater Conservation District.* President Talbot opened the public hearing and called for public comments. The Board heard comments from Linda Curtis, Judith McGeary, Steve Chamberlain, Nancy McKee, Hugh Brown, Ernest Bogart, Andrew Weir, Kermit Heaton, Barbara Bogart, Allison Jones, John DeGomez, Bill Rhodes and Terry Wilson. At the conclusion of public comments, Linda Curtis asked if public comments could be submitted in writing after the Board meeting. Based on advice from District Counsel, President Talbot said the deadline to submit written comments was the close of the public hearing. General Manager Totten also stated that all written comments would be sent to the Board members. Director Fleming then moved to close the public hearing. Director Steinbach seconded the motion, which carried unanimously.
- 5) *Discussion and consideration of agenda calendar and events.* There were none at this time.

President Talbot adjourned the meeting at 7:19 p.m.

Approved:


Sheril Smith, President


Michael Simmang, Secretary-Treasurer