

**GMA-16 Joint Planning Committee
Brush Country GCD Building
732 W. Rice St.
Falfurrias, TX
July 28, 2020**

Minutes

1. Scotty Bledsoe(Live Oak) declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 1:05 p.m. Attendees attended in person or via virtual conference.

Members present: Kenedy County(Andy Garza), Brush Country(Felix Saenz, Louie Pena), McMullen(Lonnie Stewart), Bee(Lonnie Stewart), San Patricio County(Lonnie Stewart), Starr County(Reyna Guerra), Duval County(George Gonzalez) and Corpus Christi ARSCD(Steve Ramos).

Guests present: See attached sign-in sheet

2. Andy Garza moved and Felix Saenz seconded the motion to approve minutes of the January 28, 2020 meeting as presented. Motion carried.

3. Lonnie Stewart presented the Treasurer's report and stated that the current balance is \$37,590.92. Stewart also reported that GMA-16 had received a bill from Intera for consultant services in the amount of \$5,365.00 and recommended that it be paid.

Lonnie Stewart moved and Felix Sarnz seconded the motion to approve the Treasurer's report as presented and pay the bill from Intera in the amount of \$5,365.00. Motion carried.

4. Jean Perez, TWDB representative, reported that the TWDB had been compiling a checklist for Desired Future Condition packets that will be submitted by the GMA regions between now and May, 2021.

Kathleen Jackson, TWDB board member, reported that the TWDB was doing as much as can be done despite the pandemic.

5. Consultant Report: Consideration of factors for Explanatory Report

Jevon Harding, hydrologist with Intera, described, in detail, the hydrological conditions, including for each aquifer in the management area the total estimated recoverable storage as provided by the executive administrator, and the average annual recharge, inflows and discharge. In another report, Harding described the water supply needs and water management strategies included in the state water plan as they apply to each GCD in GMA-16.

Steve Young, hydrologist with Intera, reviewed the causes of land subsidence, measurement of land subsidence, factors affecting land subsidence, aquifer compressibility, simplified equations for predicting land subsidence, TWDB reports on land subsidence predictions and evidence of land subsidence in GMA-16. In another report, Young reviewed chapters 36.002 and 36.108 of the Texas Water Code as they relate to ownership of groundwater and private property rights.

6. Reyna Guerra gave a report on the status of Starr County GCD as it relates to the petition that was approved by the TCEQ. Due to technical difficulties, it was hard to understand everything that was reported.

7. There was nothing to report under this item.

8. The next meeting tentatively will be held on October 27, 2020.

9. Future agenda items should be submitted to Lonnie Stewart.

10. Andy Garza moved and Lonnie Stewart second the motion to adjourn meeting at 3:00 PM. Motion carried.