Calhoun County Groundwater Conservation District

Meeting Minutes for September 14, 2026

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CALHOUN COUNTY

The Board of Directors of the Calhoun County Groundwater Conservation District convened a meeting at 312 W. Live Oak, Port Lavaca, TX 77979, Calhoun County, Texas, on September 14, 2026, at 5:30 PM.

Item 1 - Convene Meeting to order, welcome guests and receive a report from the general manager.

Mr. Andruss explained that staff completed the necessary public notification requirements for the meeting.

Mr. May called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m. and called the roll of representatives:

Precinct 1: Mr. Steven Dierschke, Director: Present.

Precinct 2: Mr. Wesley (Clay) Brett, Vice-President: Absent.

Precinct 3: Mr. Galen Johnson, Secretary: Absent.

Precinct 4: Mr. Michael (Mike) Hahn, Treasurer: Present.

At Large: Mr. Harold (Danny) May, President: Present.

General Manager: Tim Andruss: Present.

General Counsel: Jim Allison: Absent.

Item 2 - Receive Public Comment

Representatives of the public were present and gave public comment.

Item 9 - Consideration of and possible action on matters related to administration and management including the minutes of previous meetings, amendments to the annual budget, the tax rates, certified tax roll, bank accounts, investments, financial reports of the district, bills and invoices of the district, general elections, management goals and objectives of the district, administrative policies, staffing, consultant agreements, interlocal cooperation agreements, the annual report of the District, and support services provided to and receive from other groundwater conservation districts.

Topic 9.1 - Budget for FY2027

Mr. Andruss explained:

Management developed a draft budget for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2027, that attempts to fund the operations of the District in a manner which provides for 1) the accomplishment of the management plan goals and objectives, and 2) the completion of

projects and tasks associated with the administration of the district, groundwater conservation, groundwater management and permitting, groundwater monitoring, groundwater policy development, groundwater protection, groundwater research, and groundwater resource planning.

To facilitate future comparisons of adopted budgets to financial audits and to simplify bookkeeping tasks, the draft budget has developed using a single fund referred to as the General Fund instead of developing a budget using two funds, Operating Fund and Reserve Fund.

The budget anticipates purchases and projects that are not routine in nature including funding for conducting an election, increased legal expenses, increased district fees, expanded water level assessment, increased legislative support expenditures, site-specific monitoring and assessments, CGCBGF Model improvements, expanded DFC modeling.

On August 24, 2026, the Board authorized the publication of a proposed a tax rate not exceeding the "Small Taxing Unit Tax Rate" for Tax Year 2026 of $0.0071/$100 of taxable value.

Board Action: Mr. Hahn moved to adopt the budget for Fiscal Year 2027 by order, as drafted. Mr. Dierschke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Topic 9.2 - Tax Rate for Tax Year 2026

Mr. Andruss explained:

On August 30, 2026, the public notice requirements were completed for the proposed tax rate for Tax Year 2026.

Board Action: The public hearing regarding the proposed tax rate was opened at approximately 5:40 PM.

Public comment was received.

Mr. Hahn moved to close the public hearing after accepting all public comment regarding the proposed tax rate. Mr. Dierschke seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed at approximately 5:54 PM. The motion passed unanimously.

Mr. Hahn moved to approve and adopt a tax rate of $0.0071/$100 of taxable value as the adopted tax rate by order. Mr. Dierschke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Topic 9.3 - Appraisal Roll for Tax Year 2025

Mr. Andruss explained:

On July 27, 2026, the Chief Appraiser of the Calhoun County Appraisal District submitted the certified 2026 Appraisal Roll to the District.

Board Action: Mr. Dierschke moved to accept the appraisal roll for Tax Year 2026 and adopt the Order Approving the 2026 Appraisal Roll. Mr. Hahn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Topic 9.4 - November 2026 General Elections

Mr. Andruss explained:

The terms of the following offices are scheduled to expire in 2026: Director, Precinct 2; (currently held by Mr. Clay Brett); Director, Precinct 4; (currently held by Mr. Michael Hahn); Director, At-Large; (currently held by Mr. Danny May).

The District did not received applications for a place on the ballot before 5:00 PM on August 17, 2026.

The District did not receive any write-in applications by 5:00 PM on August 21, 2026.

As a result of not receiving applications for a place on the ballot for each office up for election, it is appropriate for the Board to cancel the election for November 2026 by order after the certification of unopposed candidates are executed by the Mr. Johnson, Board Secretary.

Board Action: Mr. Hahn moved to cancel the election for all positions by order. Mr. Dierschke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Topic 9.5 - Investment Report

Mr. Andruss explained:

The investment reports for June, and July 2026 have been developed by Lisa Ramirez, Administrator Coordinator, and reviewed and approved by Caitlynn Davenport, Investment Officer of the District, and were sent to the directors prior to the meeting.

The balance of all funds of the district as of July 31, 2026, was $3,047,337.43.

Board Action: Mr. Hahn moved to accept the investment reports for June and July 2026. Mr. Dierschke seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item 11 - Adjourn.

Board Action: Mr. Dierschke moved to adjourn the meeting after concluding all business of the district at approximately 6:01 PM. Mr. Hahn seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING MINUTES WERE READ AND APPROVED ON THIS THE _____ DAY OF _____ A.D. _____.

_____ Director of the Calhoun County Groundwater Conservation District

ATTEST:

_____ Director of the Calhoun County Groundwater Conservation District