

# Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District



## Directors:

Mark Meek  
*President*

Jerry Hroch  
*Vice-President*

Barbara Dietzel  
*Secretary*

Thurman Clements  
Kenneth Eller

## THE STATE OF TEXAS VICTORIA COUNTY

The Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors convened in the Pattie Dodson Health Center Classroom A #108, 2805 N. Navarro St., Victoria, Texas on Friday, December 21, 2007 at 9:00 a.m.

Present: Mark Meek, Chairman, Precinct No. 4  
Jerry Hroch, Vice Chairman, Precinct No. 1  
Barbara Dietzel, Secretary, Precinct No. 3  
Thurman Clements, Precinct No. 2  
Kenneth Eller, Precinct No. 3, At Large  
Tim Andruss, General Manager  
James Allison, Attorney

## CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Mark Meek called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

## WELCOME GUESTS

Chairman Meek welcomed guests: Judge Don Pozzi-Victoria County, Gary Middleton-Region L, Johnnie Haliburton-Victoria Central Appraisal District, Jerry James-City of Victoria, James Dodson-Goliad Sands and Dr. Venkatesh Uddameri-Texas A&M – Kingsville.

## MINUTES

Secretary Barbara Dietzel presented the minutes of VCGCD November 9, 2007 and December 13, 2007 meetings for review.

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Hroch, move to approve the minutes of VCGCD November 9, 2007 and December 13, 2007 meetings. Motion carried five (5) ayes for and zero (0) nays against.

## FINANCIAL REPORT

General Manager Tim Andruss presented the financial reports of VCGCD Monthly and Operating Budget for November 2007.

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Hroch, move to approve the financial reports of VCGCD Monthly and Operating Budget for November 2007. Motion carried five (5) ayes for and zero (0) nays against.

## PUBLIC COMMENT

Jerry James thanked Dr. Uddameri for holding the Stakeholders Forums meetings,

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giving a lot of opportunity for everyone to have input into the process. Mr. James said the City appreciates the process and thanked for it being an open process. Mrs. Jan Eager, VCGCD Secretary, was introduced to the group and welcomed by the VCGCD Board of Directors.

## **PUBLIC HEARING – EXPANSION OF FREEPORT INVENTORY EXEMPTION BY HB 621**

President Mark Meek opened the Public Hearing at 9:07 a.m. Mr. Allison explained the Expansion of Freeport Inventory Exemption by HB 621. Mr. Middleton asked if a dollar amount was known. Mr. Halliburton commented was not able to arrive at a figure. No other discussion.

**Motion** by Mr. Hroch and seconded by Mrs. Dietzel, move to **ADOPT A RESOLUTION OF VICTORIA COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT TO TAX TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY IN TRANSIT WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE EXEMPT PURSUANT TO TEXAS TAX CODE, SECTION 11.253.** Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

Mr. Meek closed the Public Hearing at 9:11 a.m.

## **AUTHORIZATION OF PURCHASES AND PAYMENTS**

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Clements, move to authorize Mr. Andruss to pay the four B Environmental Invoices for Water Sampling in the amount of \$3,132.01. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

**Motion** by Mrs. Dietzel and seconded by Mr. Eller, move to authorize Mr. Andruss to pay the Victoria Central Appraisal District – 2008 Invoice in the amount of \$7,995.60. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Clements, move to authorize Mr. Andruss to pay the ESRI Invoice in the amount of \$1,116.60. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Clements, move to authorize Mr. Andruss to pay the Gregory M. Ellis Invoice in the amount of \$3,820.00. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Clements, move to authorize Mr. Andruss to purchase a Laptop for the District, not to exceed \$2,500. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Clements, move to execute the exhibitor's contract for the Victoria Jaycees Livestock Show Booth and authorize Mr. Andruss to pay for the registration fee in the amount of \$350. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mrs. Dietzel, move to authorize Mr. Andruss to register and pay for following: seminar registration, hotel accommodations, mileage reimbursement and meal expenses to attend 2008 TWCA/TRWA Water Law Seminar in Austin, TX. on January 31, 2008 thru February 1, 2008. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

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**REPORT ON VICTORIA COUNTY TECHNICAL WORKGROUP BY DR. UDDAMERI**  
See Attached Report.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS**

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mrs. Dietzel, move to add General Manager, Tim Andruss, as a voting delegate of VCGCD in GMA 15, on the GMA process, along with all the VCGCD board members. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays. A letter will be sent to Neil Hudgins, General Manager Coastal Plains and Coastal Bend, GMA 15, authorizing addition of Mr. Andruss as delegate, with a copy of minutes.

## **GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT**

Mr. Andruss reported on the TAGD Meeting in Austin, TX. on Nov. 28, 2007, which he and Mr. Eller attended. Mr. Andruss volunteered to be on the TAGD Legislative Committee.

Mr. Eller, Mr. Andruss and Mr. Clements, attended the TWDB 2007 Water Summit in San Antonio on Dec. 2 thru 4, 2007. Mr. Andruss also attended the Water Law Conference in Austin on Dec. 5 thru 7, 2007.

Mr. Andruss, Mr. Eller and Mr. Clements attended a meeting in Bay City on Brackish Groundwater, with presentations by TWDB and URS.

Mr. Andruss stated will have Audit Report at January 2008 meeting. He also mentioned the announcement of future Excelon Nuclear Plant to be built in Victoria County.

## **CLOSED MEETING**

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Clements, to move for the VCGCD Board of Directors to go into Closed Meeting at 11:45 a.m., pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code 551.071 to conduct private consultation with VCGCD attorney regarding matters protected by the Attorney-Client privilege. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Hroch, to move for the VCGCD Board of Directors to return to Open Meeting at 4:27 p.m., pursuant to V.T.C.A. Government Code 551.102 return to open meeting and take any action necessary based upon discussion in closed meeting. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Hroch, to move to authorize General Manager, Tim Andruss, to send letter to T.C.B., Inc. terminating contracts and services, pay the two outstanding invoices in the amount of \$2,937.24, and to negotiate possibility of hosting the website at no extra cost. Motion carried five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

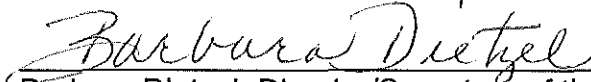
## **ADJOURN**

**Motion** by Mr. Eller and seconded by Mr. Hroch, to move for the Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors to adjourn the VCGCD meeting at 4:30 p. m. Motion passed five (5) ayes and zero (0) nays.

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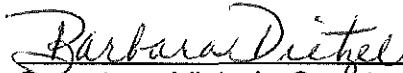
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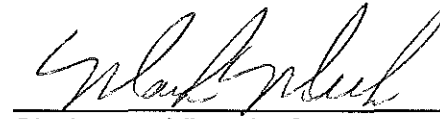
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Barbara Dietzel, Director/Secretary of the Victoria  
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Board of Directors

THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING MINUTES WERE READ AND APPROVED ON  
THIS THE 11th DAY OF January A.D., ~~2007~~ 2008 B.D.

ATTEST:

  
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Secretary, Victoria County  
Groundwater Conservation  
District

  
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Chairman, Victoria County  
Groundwater Conservation  
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