

Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District

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VICTORIA COUNTY

The Board of Directors of the Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District convened a meeting at the Dr. Pattie Dodson Health Center, 2805 N. Navarro St., Victoria, Victoria County, Texas, 77901 on September 9, 2022, at 9:00 AM.

Meeting Attendance:

Precinct 1:	Mr. Jerry Hroch, Vice President	Absent
Precinct 2:	Mr. Thurman Clements, Jr., Director	Present
Precinct 3:	Mrs. Barbara Dietzel, Secretary	Absent
Precinct 4:	Mr. Mark Meek, President	Present
At Large:	Mr. Kenneth Eller, Director	Present
General Manager:	Mr. Timothy Andruss	Present
Legal Counsel:	Mr. James Allison	Absent

Agenda Items -

1. Call the meeting to order and welcome guests.

Meeting Discussion: Mr. Meek called the meeting to order at 9:02 AM.

Board Action: None.

2. Receive public comments.

Meeting Discussion: None.

Board Action: None.

3. Consideration of and possible action on matters related to Financial Management including the annual budget of the district, the hearing on the proposed tax rate for tax year 2022, and the adoption of a tax rate for tax year 2022.

3.0 – Adopted Budget for FY2023

Meeting Discussion: Mr. Andruss explained on August 29, 2022, the Board adopted the budget recommendation developed for fiscal year 2023. The recommendation forecasted a surplus of \$12,701 at the end of the fiscal year.

Based on current fund balances and a prorated schedule of monthly expenditures until September 30, 2022, the District anticipated the following fund balances at the end of the fiscal year:

- Operating: \$70,677.52
- Reserve: \$3,233,312.03

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The recommendation was based on the following:

- The tax revenue was budgeted based on the adoption of the “No-New-Revenue Tax Rate” of \$0.00755 per \$100 value for Tax Year 2022. The tax rate for Tax Year 2021 is \$0.008 per \$100 value.
 - The tax levy for Tax Year 2022 was estimated to be \$696,388. The tax levy for Tax Year 2021 was \$666,888. The difference is \$29,500.
- The district fee revenue from the cooperating districts is budgeted at \$255,985.
 - The fees for management services represented a 5% rate increase to monthly fee (the % increase corresponds to the recommended wage adjustment for employees) and assumes a credits of \$20,000 to RGCD for office closures.
 - The fees for lobbying cost-sharing were estimated to be \$18,000 which is 45% of the estimated cost of \$40,000.

Board Action: None.

3.1 – Hearing on Proposed Tax Rate for Tax Year 2022

Meeting Discussion: Mr. Andruss explained based on current fund balances and a prorated schedule of monthly expenditures until September 30, 2022, the District anticipates the following fund balances at the end of the fiscal year:

- Operating: \$70,677.52
- Reserve: \$3,233,312.03

On August 1, 2022, the VCTAC submitted a tax rate calculation worksheet.

The VCTAC calculated the following tax rates for tax year 2022:

- The 2022 No-New-Revenue Tax Rate: \$0.00755/\$100
- The 2022 Voter-Approved Tax Rate: \$0.00817/\$100

On August 2, 2022, a copy of the Notice about 2022 Tax Rates was posted to the district's website.

On August 19, 2022, the board moved to set the proposed tax rate for tax year 2022 at \$0.00800/\$100.

On August 26, 2022, a copy of the Notice of Public Hearing on Tax Increase was posted to the district's website.

On August 31, 2022, the public notice regarding the proposed tax rate for tax year 2022 was published in the Victoria Advocate.

As of September 8, 2022, the District had received the following comments on the proposed tax rate for tax year 2022:

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Comment	Phone Number	Email	Description	Is Owner	Date Submitted	Sentiment	Property Id
I need to file for a homestead exemption. How do I do that?	+1 (830) 279-0507	mmccu tc803@gmail.com	7 TONTO CIR VICTORIA, TX 77904	true	2022-08-04T12:29:43.Z	0	54848

Board Action: Mr. Clements moved to open a hearing on the tax rate for Tax Year 2022 at 9:04 AM, to accept public comment. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Board Action: Mr. Clements moved to close the hearing at 9:05 AM after receiving no public comment on the tax rate for Tax Year 2022. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

3.2 – Adopt Tax Rate for Tax Year 2022

Meeting Discussion: None.

Board Action: Mr. Clements moved to adopt a tax rate of \$0.008/\$100 value as the tax rate for Tax Year 2022 by order. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following votes:

Ayes: Mr. Clements, Mr. Eller, and Mr. Meek.

Nays: None.

Absent: Mrs. Dietzel and Mr. Hroch.

4. Adjourn.

4.0 – Adjourn Meeting

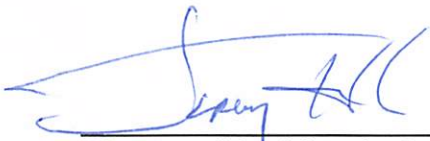
Meeting Discussion: None.

Board Action: Mr. Clements moved to adjourn the meeting after concluding all business of the District. Mr. Eller seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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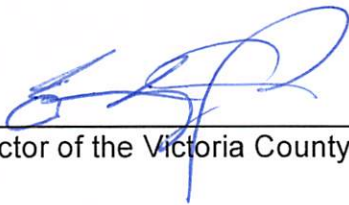
THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING MINUTES WERE READ AND APPROVED ON THIS

THE 21 DAY OF OCTOBER A.D. 2022.



Director of the Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District

ATTEST:



Director of the Victoria County Groundwater Conservation District