

# PRAIRIELANDS GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

December 20, 2021

## MINUTES OF PUBLIC HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR OPERATING PERMIT

The Board of Directors of the Prairielands Groundwater Conservation District (“District”) met in special session, open to the public, within the boundaries of the District at 208 Kimberly Dr, Cleburne, TX, on December 20, 2021.

President Charles Beseda presided and called the public hearing to order at 11:50 a.m., announcing the meeting open to the public.

The roll was called of the members of the Board of Directors, to wit:

Charles Beseda  
John Curtis  
Randy Kirk  
Paul Tischler

Maurice Osborn  
Brad Daniels  
Marty McPherson  
Barney McClure

All members of the Board were in attendance, thus constituting a quorum of the Board of Directors. Also attending said meeting were Kathy Turner Jones, General Manager; Brian Sledge, General Counsel; District staff; and members of the public. *Copies of the public sign-in sheets are attached hereto as Exhibit “A” to the December 20, 2021 Regular Board Meeting minutes.*

### RECEIVE PUBLIC HEARING REPORT FROM GENERAL MANAGER, ANY PUBLIC COMMENT(S), REQUESTS TO CONTEST AND CONSIDER GRANTING, DENYING, OR AMENDING APPLICATIONS FOR THE FOLLOWING APPLICATION FOR OPERATING PERMIT(S)

- 1) Chatt WSC, for a proposed Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 5MG annually for 2021→2026; 588 HCR 3111 E, Hillsboro, TX, Hill County; Municipal use; Ms. Jones stated Chatt WSC is a water supply corporation with one well providing potable water in Hill County and serves a population of 927 individuals with 318 residential connections and is purchasing surface water from Aquilla WSD through an interconnection. She added the applicant is requesting an Operating Permit for an existing well (PGCD-000762) to increase production allocation in an amount not to exceed 5,000,000 gallons annually for 2021 through 2026. She explained the applicant is requesting additional groundwater to avoid overpumpage of their existing HUP application, as they are already purchasing the maximum amount of surface water available from Aquilla WSD. She added the applicant exceeded their maximum

authorized amount in 2019 by 15.5%, in 2020 by 4.5% and has exceeded in 2021 through November. Based on District staff's review, she recommended the Board to consider authorizing the additional groundwater production to the applicant. Director Tischler made a motion to approve OP-21-016 not to exceed 5,000,000 gallons annually for a maximum combined authorized production of 29,622,000 gallons per year. Director Kirk seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

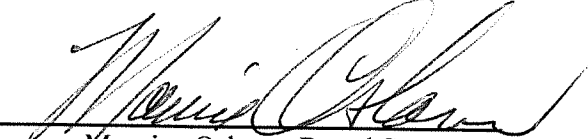
- 2) South Ellis County Water Supply, for a proposed Operating Permit for a new well (#2645) to be drilled in Ellis County at 401 LR Campbell Road, Italy, TX; Municipal use; (Driller of record: TBD); Ms. Jones explained South Ellis County WSC is a municipal public water system located in Ellis County which has applied for registration and authorization to begin construction of a new well to be drilled at a depth of 2,760 feet in the Trinity aquifer with the proposed depth to first screen at 2,640 feet. She stated the applicant is requesting to drill this new well with the intention of amending the Operating Permit in 2023 to increase production authorization and making the well part of an established aggregate system. She confirmed that based on the well spacing analysis summary, the proposed well will meet spacing requirements with a maximum designed production capacity of 600 gpm. Director Osborn made a motion to approve OP-21-017 for the registration, drilling, and construction of the new well. Director McPherson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.
- 3) Undine Texas, LLC (Crowley II Acre Subdivision), for a proposed Operating Permit for a new well (#2620) to be drilled in Johnson County at 11155 CR 1015, Crowley, TX, and additional groundwater production; not to exceed 3,000,000 gallons annually for 2021→2026; Municipal use; (Driller of record: Central Texas Water Well); Ms. Jones stated the applicant is requesting an Operating Permit to drill a new non-exempt well (PGCD-002620) in Johnson County to provide municipal/public water supply for Crowley II Acre Subdivision and to increase system production in an amount not to exceed 3 MG annually for 2021 through 2026. She explained the applicant plans to plug existing well (PGCD-001080) and is requesting registration of and authorization to begin construction of a new non-exempt well with an increased maximum designed production capacity to meet TCEQ's minimum requirement per connection served. She also stated that based on the well spacing analysis summary, the proposed well will meet spacing requirements with a maximum designed production capacity of 56 gpm. Director McClure made a motion to approve OP-21-015 to authorize the registration of and allow construction to commence on the new well contingent upon applicant plugs the existing well (PGCD-001080) within thirty (30) days once the new well is online and operational; and for additional production not to exceed 3,000,000 gallons annually for a maximum combined authorized production of 10,562,000 gallons per year. Director Osborn seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- 4) Undine Texas, LLC (Sanders View Subdivision), for a proposed Operating Permit for a new well (#2678) to be drilled in Johnson County at 2010 Tepar Ln, Cleburne, TX, and additional groundwater production; not to exceed 1,021,000 gallons annually for 2021→2026; Municipal use; (Driller of record: Central Texas Water Well); Ms. Jones stated the applicant is requesting an Operating Permit to increase system production

allocation in an amount not to exceed 1,021,000 GPY annually for 2021 through 2026. She added the system has a population of 114 individuals with 38 residential service connections, as well as a surface water connection with Johnson County SUD that is inactive. She explained the applicant is requesting additional groundwater authorization to avoid overpumpage of the existing HUP application. Director Kirk made a motion to approve OP-21-018 not to exceed 1,021,000 gallons annually for a maximum combined authorized production of 3,936,000 gallons per year. Director Tischler seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

- 5) Monarch Utilities I LP (Nolan River Estates), for a proposed Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 4.6MG annually for 2021→2026; 4215 CR 1219, Cleburne, TX, Johnson County; Municipal use; Ms. Jones stated the applicant is requesting an Operating Permit to increase system production allocation in an amount not to exceed 4,600,000 GPY annually for 2021 through 2026. She explained the system has a population of 294 individuals with 98 residential service connections and no interconnections with other water providers, however the applicant has been experiencing growth within the subdivision and is requesting additional groundwater authorization to avoid overpumpage of the existing HUP application. Director Osborn made a motion to approve OP-21-019 not to exceed 4,600,000 gallons annually for a maximum combined authorized production of 22,758,000 gallons per year. Director Curtis seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.
- 6) Monarch Utilities I LP (White Bluff Community Water System), for a proposed Operating Permit for an increase in production authorization in the amount of 10MG annually for 2021→2026; 20022 Misty Valley Circle, Whitney, TX, Hill County; Municipal use. Ms. Jones explained the applicant is requesting an Operating Permit to increase system production allocation in an amount not to exceed 10,000,000 GPY annually for 2021 through 2026. She stated the applicant has been experiencing growth within the subdivision and is requesting additional groundwater authorization to avoid overpumpage of the existing HUP application. Director Osborn made a motion to approve OP-21-020 not to exceed 10,000,000 gallons annually for a maximum combined authorized production of 136,958,000 gallons per year. Director McPherson seconded the motion and it carried unanimously.

There being no further discussion, Director Curtis made a motion to adjourn the public hearing. Director McPherson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. The public hearing was adjourned at 12:02 p.m.

**PASSED, APPROVED, AND ADOPTED THIS 18<sup>TH</sup> DAY OF JANUARY 2022.**

  
Maurice Osborn, Board Secretary