

MINUTES – DECEMBER 10, 2009
BIG BEND GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT #5
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The monthly board meeting of the Big Bend Groundwater Management District #5 was held at the District office in Stafford on Thursday, December 10, 2009. Board members present were Kent Lamb, John Janssen, Vernon Hirt, Curtis Tobias, Ed Shultz, Darrell Wood and Phillip Martin. Kraig Froetschner and Kevin Schultz were absent. District staff present was Sharon Falk, Orrin Feril and Juan Uribe. Guests present were David Barfield, Jeff Lanterman, Alan Crane, Ron Ashworth, Aaron Wheaton, Chris Beightel, and Burke Griggs.

President Phillip Martin called the meeting to order at 1:35 p.m.

John Janssen moved and Darrell Wood seconded to approve the November minutes as mailed. Motion carried 4-1.

Darrell Wood moved John Janssen seconded to accept the treasurer's report. Motion carried 4-1.

Ed Shultz arrived at approximately 1:55 p.m. Vernon Hirt arrived at approximately 2:17 p.m.

David Barfield, Chief Engineer, Division of Water Resources was in attendance at the meeting to discuss potential scenarios from the model being developed by Balleau Groundwater Inc. Pete Balleau was present for the discussion by telephone. John Janssen moved, Vernon Hirt seconded to develop three scenarios sharing the cost with DWR, KDA. Motion failed 3-3-1.

Vernon Hirt moved, John Janssen seconded to have Balleau Groundwater develop three scenarios: 1) Impacts of the declines from the west 2) A five percent reduction in acreage and 3) Water right priority to Minimum Stream Flow laws of April 12, 1984. Motion carried 6-1.

Manager Falk gave an update on the District's AWEP application referencing modifications needed to the proposal. Falk will keep the board apprised to the progress and modifications of the District's application process. Falk also gave an update of the District's activities for the last month.

With no further business to discuss Ed Shultz moved and Darrell seconded to adjourn the meeting at 4:55 p.m.