

MINUTES – OCTOBER 8, 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, October 8, 2009. Board members present were Kent Lamb, John Janssen, Vernon Hirt, Curtis Tobias, Ed Shultz, Kevin Schultz, Darrell Wood and Phillip Martin. Kraig Froetschner was absent. District staff present was Sharon Falk. Guest present was Jan Stryker.

President Phillip Martin called the meeting to order at 7:33 p.m.

The agenda was amended to include review of an application to change the place of use for water right file #32,958.

Darrell Wood made a motion and John Janssen seconded to approve the September minutes as mailed. Motion carried 7-0.

Vernon Hirt moved John Janssen seconded to accept the October treasurer's report. Motion carried 7-0.

The board reviewed water right file No. 32958. The applicant has filed an application to change the place of use and add 50 acres. The well would have to be monitored by the GMD as it falls within the guidelines of the place of use monitoring program and memorandum of understanding between the Division of Water Resources and GMD #5. The water right had been entered into this program in the past but the agreement had been violated. No action was taken by the board.

The board reviewed the District's check valve regulation. The regulation requires a check valve be installed on all wells within the District meeting DWR specifications. Curtis Tobias moved Kent Lamb seconded to recommend the revocation of the District's check valve regulation since the Division of Water Resources regulation and the Kansas Chemigation Safety Law addresses the injection of chemicals or other foreign substances into the water pumped from the diversion works. Motion carried 7-0.

The Board discussed water right file #46630. The water right owner is requesting a waiver to the District's check valve regulation for a check valve installed in the submersible pump. Darrell Wood moved Ed Shultz seconded to recommend to DWR that a waiver be granted. Motion carried 7-0.

With no further business to discuss, Ed Shultz moved, John Janssen seconded to adjourn the meeting at 9:45p.m.. Motion carried 7-0.