PECAN VALLEY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT 1009 N. ESPLANADE STREET CUERO, TX 77954 BOARD MEETING MINUTES AUGUST 12, 2025 – 9:00 A.M.

<u>Board Members Present:</u> Darnell Knippa, President (Pct. 2), Clem Waskow, Vice-President (At Large), Velinda Geffert, Secretary/Treasurer (Pct. 3), Tim Pennell, Director (Pct 1), Marvin Sager, Director (Pct. 4)

Also in attendance: Cindy Parma, General Manager, Carole Moore, Administrative Assistant, Johnny Dietze, Attorney

- 1. Call to Order.: The meeting was called to order by the President at 9:00 A.M.
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance.
- 3. Roll Call: Establish Quorum.: Quorum established.
- 4. Introduction of Guests and Virtual Visitors/Hearing Participants.: Kristen Fancher (PVGCD Water Law Attorney)
- 5. Public Comments.: None.

Closed Meeting: Executive Session was called at 9:01 A.M. by the President, Darnell Knippa, to discuss matters protected by private consultation with PVGCD attorney regarding matters protected by the attorney-client privilege (§ 551.071).

Return to Open Meeting: Open Meeting was resumed at 9:34 A.M.

- 6. Discussion of legislative changes to Chapter 36 of the Texas Water Code and possible rules amendments.: No action taken.
- 7. Approval of Minutes of July 15, 2025 Meeting (provided prior to meeting).: A motion to approve the minutes of July 15, 2025 as presented was made by Marvin Sager, seconded by Clem Waskow, which carried unanimously.
- Financial Report: Board Treasurer has reviewed July 2025 bank statement reconciliations and finds all in order.: A
 motion to approve the July 2025 Financial Report was made by Velinda Geffert, seconded by Tim Pennell, which
 carried unanimously.
- 9. July 2025 Investment Report (provided prior to meeting).: A motion to approve the July 2025 Investment Report was made by Tim Pennell, seconded by Velinda Geffert, which carried unanimously.
- 10. Consider and take action on budget amendment to FY 2025 On-Call Services Contract with Daniel B. Stephens & Associates.: A motion to approve the budget amendment to FY 2025 On-Call Services contract with Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, Inc for Fiscal Year 2025 was made by Velinda Geffert, seconded by Tim Pennell, which carried unanimously.
- 11. FY 2026 On-Call Services Contract with Daniel B. Stephens & Associates.: A motion to approve the On-Call Services contract with Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, Inc for Fiscal Year 2026 was made by Tim Pennell, seconded by Marvin Sager, which carried unanimously.
- 12. Discussion and possible action on 2026 Texas County and District Retirement System Employer Match Contribution Rate.: A motion to postpone the 2026 Texas County and District Retirement System Employer Match Contribution Rate was made by Velinda Geffert, seconded by Clem Waskow, which carried unanimously.
- 13. FY 2026 Budget Workshop.: GM presented Board with current financial statements along with projected income estimates for the upcoming fiscal year. A proposed budget was discussed with estimated expenses in each expense classification and further discussion and finalization of the budget will be made at the next Board meeting Tuesday, September 16, 2025, 9:30 A.M. No action taken.

- 14. Receive 2025 Certified Tax Appraisal Roll from DeWitt County Appraisal District and take appropriate action.: A motion to accept the 2025 Certified Tax Appraisal Roll as presented was made by Velinda Geffert, seconded by Tim Pennell, which carried unanimously.
- 15. Receive 2025 tax rate calculations required by Property Tax Code §26.04 from DeWitt County Tax Assessor.:

 General Manager Parma reviewed the 2025 Tax Rate Calculations with the Board. A motion to receive the 2025 tax rate calculations required by Property Tax Code §26.04 from DeWitt County Tax Assessor was made by Velinda Geffert, seconded by Marvin Sager, which carried unanimously.
- 16. 2025 Proposed Tax Rate: take Record Vote on proposed 2025 tax rate.: After discussion, a motion was made to set the district's 2025 tax year proposed tax rate at 0.00199 for maintenance and operating expenses and a debt tax rate of zero by Tim Pennell, seconded by Marvin Sager, which carried unanimously. Record Vote of 5 Ayes and 0 Nays.
- 17. Schedule date and time for adoption of FY 2026 Budget and 2025 Tax Rate (Sept. 16, 2025; 9:30 am): Tuesday September 16, 2025, 9:30 A.M. is scheduled Board Meeting for adoption of FY 2026 Budget and 2025 Tax Rate.
- 18. General Manager Report. The General Manager will brief the Board on operational and management matters of the District since the last Board meeting, including updates on registration and permitting, Groundwater Management Area matters, work of consultants, the District's database and website, monitoring wells and water levels, conferences, budget and personnel matters, and upcoming events.: General Manager Cindy Parma presented the report. (See attached report.)
- 19. Adjourn.: The meeting adjourned at 10:35 A.M. with a motion by Tim Pennell and seconded by Clem Waskow, which carried unanimously.

Velinda Geffert, Secretary/Treasurer

Recorded: Carole Moore, Administrative Assistant