

MINUTES – AUGUST 08, 2013  
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, August 8, 2013. Board members present were Darrell Wood, John Janssen, Tom Taylor, Fred Grunder, Phillip Martin, Justin Gatz and Kent Lamb. Board members not present were Curtis Tobias and Bob Standish. District staffs present were Orrin Feril and John Hildebrand. Guests present were Cameron Conant, Richard Wenstrom and Duane Johnson.

The August regular board meeting was called to order at 7:59 p.m.

John Janssen moved and Kent Lamb seconded to accept the July minutes as written. Motion carried 6-0-1.

Phil Martin moved and Tom Taylor seconded to accept the August treasurer's report. Following discussion, the motion carried 6-0-1.

The first item up for discussion was a change application on Water Right File No. 37348. The application proposes to convert the current battery of four wells to a battery of three wells and move it approximately 700 feet east. The proposed move is within 1320 feet to Water Right File No. 38747. Phil Martin moved and John Janssen seconded to waive K.A.R. 5-25-2 and recommend approval of the change application. Motion carried 6-0-1.

Manager Feril discussed the progress on pending projects in the District including the Rattlesnake Creek impairment investigation, temporary permit offsets and revised MYFA program. The upcoming Governor's Conference on the Future of Water in Kansas was discussed to determine which board members would be attending. Recent pumping activity in Kiowa County was discussed briefly. In addition, a draft report on the Walnut Creek subbasin was discussed briefly as well.

Cameron Conant, representing the Division of Water Resources, was on hand to update the board on current issues. DWR is continuing its enhanced enforcement and compliance investigations in Southeastern Edwards County. Compliance checks are being completed for multi-year flex accounts as well as the drought term permits that were overpumped.

Richard Wenstrom, President of WaterPACK, was on hand to discuss setting up a meeting with the board of WaterPACK to discuss the Rattlesnake Creek impairment.

With no further items to discuss, the board adjourned at 9:25 p.m.