

Administrative Committee Meeting
Minutes
July 18, 2019

I. Call to Order

The Administrative Committee of the Capital Area Ground Water Conservation Commission (CAGWCC) met for an administrative meeting at 8:30 a.m. on July 18, 2019 in the CAGWCC conference room at 3535 South Sherwood Forest Blvd., Suite 137, Baton Rouge, Louisiana. The meeting was called to order by the Administrative Chairman, Mr. John Jennings.

II. Roll Call

The following committee members were present: William Daniel, Barry Huggins, Mark Frey, John Jennings and Nelson Morvant.

Others attending the meeting were: Todd Talbot, Hays Town, Mark Walton & Joey Normand, CAGWCC Commissioners; David Mitchell, The Advocate; Su King, Louisiana House of Representatives; Hunter Odom, Kyle Marionneaux and Kara Kantro, Marionneaux Kantrow, LLC; Harry Vorhoff, Attorney General's Office and Anthony Duplechin and Shawn Scallan, CAGWCC staff.

III. Approval of Minutes

Mr. Daniel made a motion to accept the administrative minutes of June 13, 2019 with the following amendment under Public Comment, "Mr. Normand stated that he did not agree with the responses of some of the performance audit findings and that the full board should have reviewed the responses prior to the publication of the audit". Mr. Jennings seconded the motion. The vote was as follows: yeas: Daniel, Frey, Jennings & Morvant; nays: Huggins. The motion passed.

IV. Transfer of Well Ownership

Mr. Jennings stated that this was a request by Commissioner Hays Town to discuss the transfer of well ownership. Mr. Town stated that he is concerned with the wells currently owned by Georgia Pacific. He stated that some of the wells are in a sand reserved for public supply. These wells existed at the time of the resolution and were grandfathered in. Mr. Duplechin checked the Office of Conservation's rules and regulations concerning the transferring of well ownership and it is not addressed. However, Mr. Duplechin stated that the Office of Conservation does have a transfer of well ownership form. Mr. Duplechin stated that the Capital Area Ground Water Conservation Commission currently has a resolution stating that certain sands be limited to public supply for new production. Mr. Albritton stated that Georgia Pacific supports the best science to make these decisions. Mr. Albritton stated that Georgia Pacific's wells are registered and the wells that they are currently shutting down are on standby but will be used on a rotation basis for maintenance. Mr. Albritton stated that Georgia Pacific plans to plug and abandon five wells. He also stated that the models provide information that Georgia Pacific has very little impact on saltwater encroachment. This item will be placed on the September technical committee agenda for further discussion.

V. Hire Consultant to Develop Rules & Regulations for Field & Administrative Operations for the CAGWCC

Chairman Morvant stated that Mr. Vorhoff indicated that the Commission is regulated by their resolutions, Enabling Statue and Title 56. Mr. Morvant introduced Kara Kantrow, Kyle Marionneaux and Hunter Odom of Kantrow Marionneaux, LLC. Mr. Morvant asked the Administrative Committee to consider hiring them to review the CAGWCC law and put them together in an orderly fashion. Also, if any of the rules are in conflict, he requested that they make recommendations to correct them. Chairman Morvant requested that the firm recommend any rules that they think the Commission has not addressed. Mr. Daniel agreed that the Commission needs to be proactive and proceed. He made an alternate suggestion that the legislature aid the Commission with this process. Mr. Daniel stated that the legislature would allow Su King, Louisiana House of Representatives, to put together all of the Commission's rules and regulations and that there would be no charge. After discussion, Mr. Daniel made a motion requesting that Kantrow Marionneaux LLC present a formal proposal and a scope of services while including working with the legislature in their proposal at the next administrative committee meeting. Mr. Huggins seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

VI. Committee Member Comments

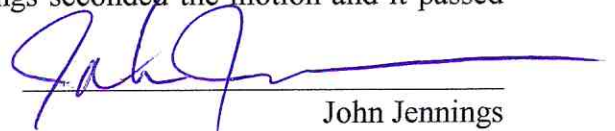
They were none.

VII. Public Comment

Public Comment was given by Commissioner Normand. He requested that the hiring of a full time Director be placed as an agenda item at the next administrative or full board meeting. Mr. Normand also requested that an Attorney General's opinion on the rule of capture as to whether or not this rule applies to the Commission be placed on the agenda for the full board meeting.

VIII. Adjournment

Mr. Huggins made a motion to adjourn. Mr. Jennings seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.



John Jennings
CAGWCC Administrative Committee Chairman