

**Notice of Open Meeting/Public Hearing of the
Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors**



The Board of Directors will meet at **6:00 pm** on **Wednesday, July 31, 2013** at the Dripping Springs City Hall, 511 Mercer St., Dripping Springs, TX, 78620. Agenda items may be taken in any order at the discretion of the Board. HTGCD agendas, approved meeting minutes and any available backup materials have been posted on the District website, www.haysgroundwater.com under Quick Links/Agendas/Meeting Minutes

Executive Session

The Board of Directors of the Hays Trinity Conservation District reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time during the course of this meeting to discuss any of the matters listed on this agenda, as authorized by the Texas Government Code Chapter 551 including Section 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney) and Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters). No final action or decision will be made in Executive Session.

- Call to Order
- Roll Call
- General Comments from Board & Staff with no discussion or possible action

Public Comments Concerning Non-Agenda Items only limited to 3 minutes each. To address the Board of Directors, please complete and submit a Public Comment Card to the District staff. No action may be taken by the Board of Directors during Public Comments.

Consent Items The following agenda items may be considered and approved as one motion. A Board Member or a citizen may request any item be removed from the consent agenda for Discussion and Possible Action as a separate item.

1. Approval of Bank Reconciliations & Monthly Invoices..... **Mark Hastings**
2. Approval of Monthly Financial Report and Budget to Actual Report..... **Mark Hastings**
3. Approval of June 19, June 21 & June 26, 2013 Board Meeting Minutes..... **Skipton / Hastings**

Discussion and Possible Action: Agenda Items Public Comments will be heard prior to Board review, 3 minutes each

4. Update on Contested Case Lawsuit: Plaintiffs vs. HTGCD..... **Jimmy Skipton**
 - o **Wimberley Valley Watershed Association**
 - o Johanna L. Smith, H.K. Acord, Janet Acord, James R. McMeans and David Glenn
5. Status of Drought Briefing..... **Rick Broun**
 - o Monitoring Run well level averages
 - o Trigger status days of flow on the Pedernales and Blanco Rivers
 - o Recommend drought stage
 - o U.S. Drought Monitor maps
 - o Palmer Drought Severity Index maps
 - o Texas Drought Preparedness Council Situation Report
 - o Table of Water Levels Measured
6. HTGCD November 5, 2013 General Election..... **Tressy Gumbert**
 - o Board positions for Single Member Districts 2 and 4
 - o Deadline date to submit an application is 5:00 pm August 26, 2013

Discussion Only: Agenda Items Public Comments will be heard prior to Board review, 3 minutes each

7. Update on Monthly Water Balance Report to include applications for: Pending Permits, Renewals and Amendments..... **Rick Broun**
 - o **Hays MUD#5** – Highpointe Subdivision Storm Water Ponds (New Operating Permit Application)
 - Requesting 50 acre feet per year to fill 8 ponds
 - Meetings with applicant continues
 - o **Epic Communications** (New Operating Permit Application)
 - Requesting 250,000 gallons per year
 - Deadline date to submit public comments prior to staff recommendations, Monday, July 29, 2013
8. HTGCD Geological Data..... **Al Broun**
 - o Interpreted geophysical logs and completion logs
 - o Interpreted State Well Reports
 - o Outcrop and Literature data
9. Wimberley Springs Partners Conservation Efforts..... **Rick Broun**
 - o Second quarter reporting in 2013 is 9% less than in second quarter 2012
 - o 2013 year-to-date production, 19 acre feet
 - o 82% of water used to irrigate in 2012 was treated effluent

Hearing Items: Public Comments will be heard prior to Board review, 3 minutes each

10. Discussion and Possible Action to review, amend and approve draft District Rules..... **Rick Broun**
 - o Review newly passed House Bill 3903 concerning fees that the District may now collect for: Water Service Connections, Well Construction, and Operating Permit Renewals
 - o Review and approve District Resolution 20130731, Fees
 - o Review additional draft Rule edits submitted by District Staff, Board Members and the Public.
 - o Review and approve Board ORDER 162, Adoption of District Rules
11. Discussion and Possible Action concerning formal contested case letter submitted by Howard Land & Cattle regarding District Staff recommendation of a one-year permit for 2.75 acre feet to supply groundwater to commercial business Twisted X Brewery.....**Rick Broun**
 - o Applicant requesting a three-year permit for 6 acre feet
 - o Staff recommendation based on the April 30th email submittal of the applicant's five-year business plan for the production of 5,000 barrels per year. According to the applicant's submittal provided to the District, 5 barrels of water produce 1 barrel of beer with 31 gallons of water per barrel.
 - o According to the applicant's new business plan submitted to the District on July 1st it indicates production of 10,000 barrels per year. Using the calculations provided to the District, the total annual production amount would be 4.75 acre feet per year. Staff recommendation based on this new business plan projection would be a one-year permit for 5 acre feet once the water service connection form and \$300 fee for Twisted X Brewery has been completed and submitted to the District office.

The Hays Trinity Groundwater Conservation District is committed to compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA). Reasonable accommodations and equal opportunity for effective communications will be provided upon request. Please contact the District office at 512-858-9253 at least 24 hours in advance if accommodation is needed.

The District will accept written comments two (2) days prior to the scheduled Board meeting. Hearing item proposals may be reviewed or copied at the District office.

This notice has been posted on a bulletin board at a place convenient to the public in the Hays County Courthouse and outside the main entrance to the District offices not less than three (3) days prior to the scheduled meeting in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code.

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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

The above Notice of Meeting was posted at _____ o'clock on Friday, June 14, 2013 at a place convenient to the public on a bulletin board at the Hays County Government Center in San Marcos, Texas.

By: _____ Hays County Clerk's Office