

**Minutes of the Headwaters Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors Regular Meeting on Wednesday April 8, 2026 at 1:30 PM at the Guadalupe Basin Natural Resources Center – Boardroom 125 Lehmann Dr., Kerrville, Texas.**

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**1. Call to Order, Pledge of Allegiance, Roll Call, and Certification of Quorum in Compliance with Texas Open Meetings Law.**

**Directors Present:** Laurie Lowe – Precinct 4, President  
Chris Childs – Precinct 2  
Jeffrey Wendling – Precinct 1

**Staff Present:** Monica Thibodeaux, Deneise Harris

**Directors Absent:** Kenneth Wilke, John Elliott

**2. Public Comment - Any person may address the Board at any time on any agenda item of this meeting. Non-agenda items may only be addressed during the Public Comment section of this meeting; no formal action will be taken on the non-agenda items.**

N/A

**3. Consent Agenda**

- a. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes** (March 11, 2026)
- b. Approval of the Workshop Meeting Minutes** (March 26, 2026)
- c. Receiving the Treasurer's Report** (Mar 2026)
- d. Public Funds Investment Policy Reporting** (Mar 2026)
- e. Receiving the Groundwater Report**

Director Wendling motioned to Approve the Consent Agenda. Director Childs seconded the motion. Director Lowe, Director Childs, and Director Wendling all voted in favor. Director Wilke and Director Elliott were absent. The motion passed.

**4. Discussion and Possible Action, to Receive the Annual Groundwater Report for Year 2025.**

Director Childs motioned to Receive the Annual Groundwater Report for Year 2025. Director Wendling seconded the motion. Director Lowe, Director Childs, and Director Wendling all voted in favor. Director Wilke and Director Elliott were absent. The motion passed.

**5. Discussion and Possible Action, to Accept the HGCD Desired Future Conditions Tracking Report through Year-End 2025.**

Director Wendling motioned to Accept the HGCD Desired Future Conditions Tracking Report through Year-End 2025. Director Childs seconded the motion. Director Lowe, Director Childs, and Director Wendling all voted in favor. Director Wilke and Director Elliott were absent. The motion passed.

**6. Discussion and Possible Action, to Adopt the Headwaters Groundwater Conservation District Annual Report for Achieving the Management Plan Goals for Year 2025.**

Director Wendling motioned to Adopt the Headwaters Groundwater Conservation District Annual Report for Achieving the Management Plan Goals for Year 2025. Director Childs seconded the motion. Director Lowe, Director Childs, and Director Wendling all voted in favor. Director Wilke and Director Elliott were absent. The motion passed.

**7. Discussion and Possible Action, to nominate Headwaters GCD General Manager, Monica Thibodeaux to Represent “Water Districts – Kerr County” Interests for the Plateau Region Water Planning Group.**

Director Childs motioned to nominate Headwaters GCD General Manager, Monica Thibodeaux to Represent “Water Districts – Kerr County” Interests for the Plateau Region Water Planning Group. Director Wendling seconded the motion. Director Lowe, Director Childs, and Director Wendling all voted in favor. Director Wilke and Director Elliott were absent. The motion passed.

**8. Monitor Well Report and Summary for Monitor Wells in the East Kerr Management Zone, comparison with Middle Trinity and Lower Trinity DFC.**

The Monitor Well Report and Summary for Monitor Wells in the East Kerr Management Zone, comparison with Middle Trinity and Lower Trinity DFC was tabled. It will be presented at the next scheduled Board Meeting.

**9. Discussion Only, Enforcement Procedures on Over Production.**

The Discussion on Enforcement Procedures on Over Production was tabled. It will be presented at the next scheduled Board Meeting.

**10. Discussion Only, Consider a Proposed Amendment to the District's By-Laws to Establish a Standardized Time Limit for Public Comments during Board Meetings.**

Jerry Wolff, 509 N Buckboard Dr, Kerrville (Precinct 4) – Stated that he felt that time limits for public comment are inappropriate for Headwaters GCD Board Meetings, that as a voting citizen of Kerr County he has the right to speak his mind under the First Amendment. He feels that most comments are coming from a heartfelt concern or a personal interest, or they are comments presented in the interest of the public on a topic they have researched or feel that they have information to share. He feels that time limits should only be imposed when multiple speakers could unnecessarily extend a meeting with repetitious comments. Suggested that 30 minutes out of every month is not a huge constraint and that if it is, maybe the Directors should consider not serving on the Board.

Monica Thibodeaux (HGCD General Manager) presented examples of other entities public speaking time constraints:

Kerr County – maximum limit of 3 minutes (not usually enforced) up to 30 minutes per agenda item (multiple speakers)

City of Kerrville – maximum limit of 3 minutes

Cow Creek GCD – maximum limit of 5 minutes posted on their agenda

Central Texas GCD – their bylaws state “The Board may place reasonable limitations on such public comment, including time limitations, prohibiting unduly repetitious comments or improper conduct.”

Ronnie Buchert, 625 Dove Valley, Center Point (Precinct 2) – Feels that the example set in Central Texas GCD is most accommodating as it allows for presentations and overall time constraints to be set by the Board of Directors.

The discussion to Consider a Proposed Amendment to the District's By-Laws to Establish a Standardized Time Limit for Public Comments during Board Meetings was tabled to be re-visited in the future, when additional Directors are present and further study has been completed.

### 11. General Managers Report

- Drought Conditions Report
- Update – New Well Registrations (March)
- Update – Permitting Specialist Job Posting
- Update – TWDB Grant Application

No Action Taken.

### 12. Directors Request for Agenda Items for Next Meeting.

#### Tabled Items to be addressed:

Monitor Well Report and Summary for Monitor Wells in the East Kerr Management Zone, comparison with Middle Trinity and Lower Trinity DFC.

Discussion Only, Enforcement Procedures on Over Production.

Discussion Only, Consider a Proposed Amendment to the District's By-Laws to Establish a Standardized Time Limit for Public Comments during Board Meetings.

### 13. Adjournment

Director Wendling motioned to Adjourn. Director Childs seconded the motion. Director Lowe, Director Childs, and Director Wendling all voted in favor. Director Wilke and Director Elliott were absent. The motion passed.

#### APPROVED:



Laurie Lowe  
Board of Directors, President



Monica Thibodeaux, HGCD General Manager  
Assistant Secretary/Treasurer