
KIMBLE COUNTY GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Board Meeting
August 24, 2026 – 6:00 PM
Kimble County GCD Office
731 Main Street Suite B / P.O. Box 31
Junction Texas 76849

MINUTES

Directors Present: Reginald Stapper, Gary Lewis, Clint Smith, Mike Carter, and Joe Jones
District Staff Present: Meredith Allen and Katy Meador
Visitors Present: David Gibson and Brandon Gartrell

The Texas Legislature recently amended Tex. Gov't Code § 551.043 (House Bill 1522, 2025) to require governmental bodies to include in the notice of an open meeting at which its budget will be discussed or adopted, a taxpayer impact statement showing, for the median-valued homestead property, a comparison of the property bill in dollars pertaining to the property for the current fiscal year to an estimate of the property tax bill in dollars for the same property for the upcoming fiscal year.

2025-2026 Value of Median-Valued Homestead Property in the District: \$157,272

2026-2027 Value of Median Valued Homestead Property in the District: \$167,743

2025-2026 Property Tax Bill for the Current Fiscal Year: \$12.27 (\$0.0078 per \$100 of value).

Estimated 2026 Property Tax Bill for the Upcoming Fiscal Year if the District Adopts the Proposed Budget and Tax: \$13.21

Estimated 2026 Property Tax Bill for the Upcoming Fiscal Year if the District Adopts a Balanced Budget Funded at the No-New-Revenue Tax Rate: \$12.6

Public Hearing on the Proposed FY 2026-2027 Budget

1. **Call Meeting to Order, establish a quorum.**
Reginald Stapper established a quorum and called the public hearing to order at 6:05 pm.
2. **Public Comment Period-** No public was present; no public comment was given.
3. **Close Public Hearing –** After no public comments, Mike Carter made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 6:15pm, and Clint Smith seconded. The motion carried.

Regular Board Meeting

1. **Call Meeting to Order, establish a quorum.**
Reginald Stapper called the regular business meeting to order at 6:07 pm.
2. **Public Comment Period-** David Gibson and Brandon Gartrell were present via teleconference to present a brief demonstration of their Hydros program as it pertains to our recently posted RFQ.
3. **Consider, possible action to Approve Minutes of the July 13, 2026 meeting.**
Mike Carter made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2026 meeting and Gary Lewis seconded the motion. The motion carried.
4. **Consider, possible action to approve financial report & payment of bills**
Clint Smith made a motion to approve the financial report and pay the pending bills and Butch Lewis seconded. The motion carried.
5. **Consider, possible action to approve and adopt the Proposed 2025-2026 Budget**
Meredith Allen presented the proposed budget. Clint Smith made a motion to approve and adopt the proposed 2026-2027 Budget and Gary Lewis seconded. The motion carried.
6. **Consider, possible action to approve the proposed 2026 tax rate and set for public hearing**
After reviewing the Certified Estimate of Values for 2026, and the tax rate calculation worksheet, Clint Smith made a motion to propose a tax rate of \$0.0078 per \$100 of value, and set for public hearing on September 28, 2026 at 6pm. Joe Jones seconded and the motion passed.

7. Consider, possible action to accept response for Professional Services relating to water well database systems that can incorporate Groundwater Availability Models and host water level data.

After discussion, Clint Smith made a motion to accept Collier Consulting for their Hydros system, as it was the most responsive statement of qualifications. Mike Carter seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

8. Consider, possible action on TWDB Groundwater Science Grant

After discussion, it was determined that no action is required as the grant has already been awarded to us as we requested, and there are no updates from Meredith Allen.

9. Consider, possible action on the South Llano State Park public water supply application.

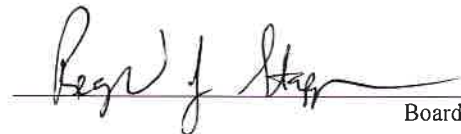
Meredith updated the Board on the status of the parks compliance, and it was determined that no further action is required at this time.

10. Manager's Report/Directives to Staff

- a. GMA 7 DFC report will be held in October.
- b. Water Level & Rain Report-Meredith reported she had completed quarterly water levels and had taken Katy along to introduce her to the process.
- c. Educational activities of the District-Meredith recently hosted the 4H Water Ambassadors to an event held at the South Llano River State Park.
- d. Meredith announced she will be attending the State Groundwater Summit in San Antonio, TX on Sept 1-3, 2026.

11. Consider possible action meeting adjournment.

Clint Smith made the motion to set the next meeting and public hearing for September 28, 2026, and adjourn the meeting at 7:40 pm. Joe Jones seconded, and the motion carried.


Board Representative