



**Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
January 8, 2024**

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 North High St., Henderson, Texas, on Monday, January 8, 2024.

Board Members Present:

Precinct #1: Will Roberson
Precinct #1: Ken Ragle
Precinct #2: Harry Hamilton
Precinct #3: Jody White
Precinct #3: John Langston
Precinct #4: Bobby Brown
At Large: Ryan Ellis

Board Members Absent:

Precinct #2: Roy Vannoy
Precinct #4: Emily Whitworth

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager & Diana Martinez, Office Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:03 pm by President, Bobby Brown, who asked Ken Ragle to lead the invocation.
2. Public Comment: No visitors were present for comment.
3. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action.
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for the regular meeting held November 13, 2023.
 - Monthly Treasurer's Report and pay bills for November 2023 and December 2023.
 - General Manager's Report for November 2023 and December 2023
 - 1st Quarter Investment Report for FY 2023/2024.
4. Ken Ragle moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. John Langston provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
5. Discussion and possible action to be a sponsor for the Texas 4-H Water Ambassadors Program: Ken Ragle made a motion to be a sponsor at the \$500 level and Ryan Ellis provided a second. The consent was unanimous.
6. Discussion and possible action on bids for a new work truck. After a short discussion Ryan Ellis made a motion to accept the bid from Yates GMC and authorize GM David Miley to contact Yates GMC to purchase the truck. John Langston provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
7. Establish date and time of next meeting, February 12, 2024 at 3pm:
8. The meeting was adjourned by unanimous consent at 3:40 pm.

Minutes approved by:


Bobby Brown – President



**Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District
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February 12, 2024**

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 North High St., Henderson, Texas, on Monday, February 12, 2024.

Board Members Present:

Precinct #1	Ken Ragle
Precinct #2:	Harry Hamilton
Precinct #2:	Roy Vannoy
Precinct #3:	Jody White
Precinct #3	John Langston
Precinct #4:	Bobby Brown
Precinct #4:	Emily Whitworth
At Large	Ryan Ellis

Board Members Absent:

Precinct #1	William Roberson
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District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager & Diana Martinez, Office Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:01 pm by President, Bobby Brown, who also led the invocation.
2. Public Comment: No visitors were present for comment.
3. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action.
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for the regular meeting held January 8, 2024.
 - Monthly Treasurer's Report and pay bills for January 2024.
 - General Manager's Report for January 2024.
 - 1st Quarter Budget Report for FY 2023/2024.
4. Harry Hamilton moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. Roy Vannoy provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
5. Establish date and time of next meeting, March 11, 2024 at 3pm:
6. Adjourn: There was unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting.

Minutes approved by:


Bobby Brown – President



**Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
March 11, 2024**

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 North High St., Henderson, Texas, on Monday, March 11, 2024.

Board Members Present:

Precinct #1 Ken Ragle
Precinct #2: Harry Hamilton
Precinct #2: Roy Vannoy
Precinct #3: Jody White
Precinct #3 John Langston
Precinct #4: Bobby Brown
Precinct #4: Emily Whitworth

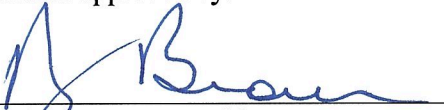
Board Members Absent:

Precinct #1 William Roberson
At Large Ryan Ellis

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager & Diana Martinez, Office Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by President, Bobby Brown, who also led the invocation.
2. Annual Financial Audit presented by Morgan LaGrone: A motion was made by John Langston and seconded by Ken Ragle to accept the report. There was unanimous consent.
3. Public Comment: No visitors were present for comment.
4. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action.
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for the regular meeting held February 12, 2024.
 - Monthly Treasurer's Report and pay bills for February 2024.
 - General Manager's Report for February 2024.
5. After discussion regarding a portable carport to house the District's vehicles, the Board gave General Manager Miley permission to have a carport purchased and installed as soon as possible. Ken Ragle moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. John Langston provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
6. Establish date and time of next meeting, April 8, 2024 at 3pm:
7. Adjourn: Ken Ragle made a motion to adjourn, Emily Whitworth provided a second. There was unanimous consent

Minutes approved by:


Bobby Brown – President



Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors Regular Meeting April 8, 2024

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 N High St. Henderson, Texas on Monday, April 8, 2024.

Board Members Present:

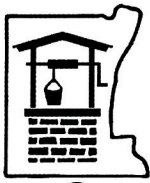
Precinct #1:	Ken Ragle
Precinct #1	William Roberson
Precinct #3:	Jody White
Precinct #4	Emily Whitworth
Precinct #4:	Bobby Brown

Board Members Absent:

Precinct #2	Roy Vannoy
Precinct #2	Harry Hamilton
Precinct #3	John Langston
At Large	Ryan Ellis

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager and Diana Martinez, Office Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:08 pm by Chairman Brown, who also led the invocation.
2. Public Comment: No visitors were present for comment.
3. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action. GM Miley reported on the following items:
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for Regular Board meeting – March 11, 2024.
 - Monthly Treasurer's Report and pay bills for March 2024.
 - General Manager's Reports for March 2024.
 - 2nd Quarter Budget Report for FY 2023/2024
 - 2nd Quarter Investment Report FY 2023/2024
 - Committed Funds Report
 - Ken Ragle moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. William Roberson provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
4. Discussion and possible action to sale District's 2007 Ford Escape and 2010 Ford F150. William Roberson made a motion to have GM David Miley, sale both vehicles by sealed bid. Included in the motion was to accept bids until end of business day on May 10, 2024 and the minimum bid for the Ford F150 be \$5000.00 and the minimum bid on the Ford Escape be \$1000.00. There was 4 Ayes and 1 Nay
5. Establish date and time of next meeting, May 13, 2024 at 3pm.
6. Adjourn: Ken Ragle moved to adjourn the meeting and Emily Whitworth seconded it. There was unanimous consent.



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Minutes approved by:

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Bobby Brown – Board Chairman



**Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
May 13, 2024**

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 N High St. Henderson, Texas on Monday, May 13, 2024.

Board Members Present:

Precinct #1: William Roberson
Precinct #2: Harry Hamilton
Precinct #2: Roy Vannoy
Precinct #3: Jody White
Precinct #3: John Langston
Precinct #4: Emily Whitworth
Precinct #4: Bobby Brown
At Large: Ryan Ellis

Board Members Absent:

Precinct #1: Ken Ragle

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager and Diana Martinez, Office Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:05 pm by Chairman Brown who also led the Invocation.
2. Public Comment: No visitors were present for comment.
3. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action. GM Miley reported on the following items:
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for Regular Board meeting – April 8, 2024.
 - Monthly Treasurer’s Report and pay bills for April 2024.
 - 2024 Estimated Tax Values.
 - General Manager’s Report for April 2024.
 - Roy Vannoy moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. John Langston provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
4. Discussion and possible action after reviewing bids on District’s 2010 Ford F150 and 2007 Ford Escape. GM David Miley opened the envelopes containing bids for the District’s vehicles. There were 8 bids for the 2010 Ford F150 with the highest bid being \$6,500 made by Jason Burluson and there were 9 bids for the 2007 Ford Escape with highest bid being \$2,850 made by Nathan Matter. John Langston made a motion to accept the two highest bids and Roy Vannoy provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
5. Appointment of Directors to the District’s Budget-Finance Committee: After discussion, it was decided by acclamation to appoint Harry Hamilton, John Langston and Ryan Ellis to be on the committee and Ken Ragle as an alternate to the committee.
6. Discussion and possible action of historic site properties all or part of assessed value, exempted from taxation by the District for qualified properties for the 2024 tax year: After discussion, John Langston moved to grant the exemptions and Ryan Ellis seconded it. There was unanimous consent.
7. Establish date and time of next meeting, June 10, 2024 at 3pm.
8. Adjourn: There was unanimous consent to adjourn the meeting.



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May 13, 2024**

Minutes approved by:

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Bobby Brown – Board Chairman



**Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
June 10, 2024**

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 North High St., Henderson, Texas, on Monday, June 10, 2024.

Board Members Present:

Precinct #1: Ken Ragle
Precinct #1: William Roberson
Precinct #2: Roy Vannoy
Precinct #2: Harry Hamilton
Precinct #3: Jody White
Precinct #3: John Langston
Precinct #4: Bobby Brown
Precinct #4: Emily Whitworth

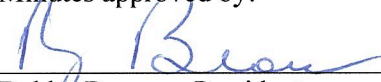
Board Members Absent:

At Large Ryan Ellis

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager and Diana Martinez, Office Manager

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:02 pm by President, Bobby Brown who also led the invocation.
2. Public Comment: No visitors were present for comment.
3. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action. GM Miley reported on the following items:
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for Regular Board meeting – May 13, 2024.
 - Monthly Treasurer’s Report and pay bills for May 2024.
 - 3rd Quarter Budget Report FY 23_24
 - General Manager’s Report for May 2024.
 - John Langston moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. Ken Ragle provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
4. Review and Possible Action on District’s Retirement Rate for 2025: After discussion, It was decided to take no action at this time.
5. Review and Possible Action on District’s TML Health Insurance Plan for FY 24_25: After Discussion it was decided to not take any action at this time.
6. Establish date and time of next meeting, July 8, 2024, at 3pm.
7. Adjourn: Ken Ragle moved to adjourn the meeting and Emily Whitworth seconded it. There was unanimous consent.

Minutes approved by:



Bobby Brown – President



**Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
July 22, 2024**

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 North High St., Henderson, Texas, on Monday, July 22, 2024.

Board Members Present:

Precinct #1: Ken Ragle
Precinct #2: Harry Hamilton
Precinct #3: Jody White
Precinct #3: John Langston
Precinct #4: Emily Whitworth
At Large: Ryan Ellis

Board Members Absent:

Precinct #1: William Roberson
Precinct #2: Roy Vannoy
Precinct #4: Bobby Brown

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:00 pm by Vice President, Harry Hamilton and Ken Ragle led the invocation.
2. Public Comment: No visitors were present for comment.
3. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action. GM Miley reported on the following items:
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for Regular Board meeting – June 10, 2024.
 - Monthly Treasurer’s Report and pay bills for June 2024
 - General Manager’s Report for June 2024.
 - Groundwater Production Report.
4. John Langston moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. Ken Ragle provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
5. Discussion and possible action to Order 2024 Elections for the District. Emily Whitworth made a motion to order a 2024 Election for the Director terms which were ending in 2024 and Ryan Ellis provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
6. Review and Possible Action on the District’s Health Insurance Plan for FY 24-25. GM David Miley provided the board information on the insurance plan and the plan rates. There was a short discussion and Emily Whitworth made a motion for the district to switch to the United Healthcare plan and Ryan Ellis provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
7. Establish date and time of next meeting, August 12, 2024, at 3pm.
8. Adjourn: Ken Ragle moved to adjourn the meeting and John Langston seconded it. There was unanimous consent.

Minutes approved by:



Harry Hamilton – Vice President



Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors Regular Meeting August 12, 2024

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 North High St., Henderson, Texas, on Monday, August 12, 2024.

Board Members Present:

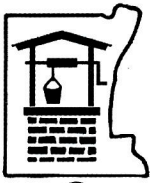
Precinct #1: William Roberson
Precinct #1: Ken Ragle
Precinct #3: Jody White
Precinct #3: John Langston
Precinct #4: Bobby Brown
Precinct #4: Emily Whitworth
At Large: Ryan Ellis

Board Members Absent:

Precinct #2: Harry Hamilton
Precinct #2: Roy Vannoy

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager and Diana Martinez, Office Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:06 pm by President, Bobby Brown, who also led the invocation.
2. Public Comment: No visitors were present for comment.
3. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action. GM David Miley reported on the following items:
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for Regular Board meeting – July 22, 2024.
 - Monthly Treasurer’s Report and pay bills for July 2024
 - 3rd QTR Investment Report for FY 2023/2024
 - Committed Funds Report
 - General Manager’s Report for July 2024.
4. John Langston moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. Ken Ragle provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
5. Review and Possible Action on District’s Retirement Rate for 2025. There was a short discussion and John Langston then made a motion to adjust the District’s payment to 7.0% to get the District closer to being 100% funded. Ken Ragle provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
6. Discussion and possible action to review and amend the FY 2023/2024 Budget. GM David Miley provided an overview of the proposed amendments and after a short discussion, Emily Whitworth made a motion to amend the FY 2023/2024 Budget by moving \$3000 from Consultant (6130) to Insurance (6180) and moving \$2000 from Computer and Software (6135) and adding \$1000 of it to Travel (6350) and \$1000 of it to Rusk County Appraisal District (6300). Also adding \$49,000 to Automobile (6110). Ryan Ellis provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
7. Review and possible approval of the Proposed FY 2024/2025 Budget as recommended by Budget Committee: After an overview by GM David Miley, a motion was made by Ken Ragle to approve the proposed budget and Jody White provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
8. Review and possible approval of the Proposed Tax Rate of \$.004931/\$100.00 assessed property value for FY 2024/2025 as recommended by Budget Committee: After a brief discussion, Will Roberson moved to



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approve the proposed tax rate of \$.004931/\$100.00 assessed property value for FY 2024/2025. A second was given by Emily Whitworth. There were 6 ayes and 1 nays.

9. Establish date and time of tax rate hearing, August 26, 2024, at 3pm: There was consensus for the date.
10. Ken Ragle moved to adjourn. Emily Whitworth provided a second. Ther was unanimous consent.

Minutes approved by:

Bobby Brown – President



**Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Special Meeting & Public Hearings
August 26, 2024**

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a special meeting and public hearings at the District Boardroom at 500 North High St., Henderson, Texas, on Monday, August 26, 2024.

Board Members Present:

Precinct #1: Ken Ragle
Precinct #1: William Roberson
Precinct #2: Roy Vannoy
Precinct #3: Jody White
Precinct #3: John Langston
Precinct #4: Emily Whitworth
Precinct #4: Bobby Brown
At Large: Ryan Ellis

Board Members Absent:

Precinct #2: Harry Hamilton

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager and Diana Martinez, Office Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:03 p.m. by Board President, Bobby Brown who asked Ken Ragle to lead the invocation.
2. A public hearing to consider the proposed FY 2024/2025 Budget.
3. A public hearing to consider the proposed tax rate of \$0.004931 per \$100.00 of appraised taxable value for FY 2023/2024.
4. Public Comments. There was no public present for comments.
5. Consider adoption of the proposed FY 2024/2025 Budget. A motion was made by William Roberson to adopt the proposed Budget and Roy Vannoy provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
6. Consider adoption of the proposed tax rate of \$0.004931 per \$100.00 of appraised taxable value for FY 2024/2025 via Resolution 2024-01. Emily Whitworth made a motion to adopt the proposed tax rate and Roy Vannoy provided a second. There were 7 Ayes, 0 Neighs and 1 Abstained.
7. Establish date and time of regular meeting and Public Hearing for District Rules amendment, October 14, 2024, at 3pm: There was consensus for the date.
8. Adjourn: Ken Ragle made a motion to adjourn, Ryan Ellis seconded. There was unanimous consent.

Minutes approved by:

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Bobby Brown - President



**Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting
October 14, 2024**

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 North High St., Henderson, Texas, on Monday, October 14, 2024.

Board Members Present:

Precinct #1: Will Roberson
Precinct #1: Ken Ragle
Precinct #2: Harry Hamilton
Precinct #3: Jody White
Precinct #3: John Langston
Precinct #4: Bobby Brown
Precinct #4: Emily Whitworth

Board Members Absent:

Precinct #2: Roy Vannoy
At Large: Ryan Ellis

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager and Diana Martinez, Office Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:03 pm by President, Bobby Brown, who also led the invocation.
2. Public Comment: Janet Clifton, Olivia Clifton, and Abigail Clifton were present but did not wish to make any comments.
3. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action.
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for the regular meetings held August 12, 2024 and Special meeting and Public meeting held August 26, 2024.
 - Monthly Treasurer's Report and pay bills for August 2024 and September 2024.
 - General Manager's Report.
 - 4th Quarter Investment Report for FY 23_24.
 - 4th Quarter Budget Report FY 23_24.
4. Ken Ragle moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. John Langston provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
5. Discussion and possible action to cancel Elections for the District & Certify Candidates are Unopposed and declare the elected candidates. After discussion John Langston made a motion to cancel Elections for the District & Certify Candidates are Unopposed and declare the elected candidates. Emily Whitworth provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
6. Discussion and possible action to review the District's Rule's concerning large production wells as well as possible changes to export fees. There was a short discussion, and it was decided to not take any action at this time and have GM David Miley continue to work with District's legal counsel, Monique Norman, to come up with recommendations.
7. Discussion and possible action to start a Rusk County GCD Scholarship program. There was a short discussion and Ken Ragle made a motion for GM David Miley and Emily Whitworth to start the process of a scholarship program by developing a set of Rusk County GCD scholarship policies.
8. Establish date and time of next meeting, November 11, 2024, at 3pm:
9. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 4:02 pm.



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Minutes approved by:

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November 11, 2024**

The Rusk County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors held a regular meeting at the District Boardroom at 500 North High St., Henderson, Texas, on Monday, November 11, 2024.

Board Members Present:

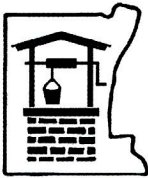
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Precinct #4: Emily Whitworth
At Large: Ryan Ellis

Board Members Absent:

Precinct #2: Roy Vannoy
Precinct #2: Harry Hamilton

District Staff Present: David Miley, General Manager and Diana Martinez, Office Manager.

1. The board meeting was called to order at 3:01 pm by President, Bobby Brown, who asked Ken Ragle to lead the invocation.
2. Public Comment: Janet Clifton, Olivia Clifton, and Abigail Clifton were present but did not wish to make any comments.
3. Oath of Office for elected Directors. Bobby Brown, Jody White, Ryan Ellis, William Roberson and Ken Ragle were sworn in as Board Directors of their appropriate precincts.
4. Consent Agenda: There were no requests to remove a Consent Agenda item for separate discussion and action.
 - Review and consider approval of minutes for the regular meeting held October 14, 2024.
 - Monthly Treasurer's Report and pay bills for October 2024.
 - Review of FY 23-24 Annual Report
 - General Manager's Report
5. John Langston moved to accept and approve consent agenda items. Ken Ragle provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
6. Discussion and possible action to add to District's Equipment Replacement Fund. There was a short discussion and Ken Ragle then made a motion to add \$30,000 to the equipment replacement fund bringing it to \$60,000. Ryan Ellis provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
7. Discussion and possible action to start a Rusk County GCD Scholarship program. There was a short discussion and Ken Ragle made a motion to form a scholarship selection committee made up of Emily Whitworth, Ryan Ellis and GM David Miley to finalize the policies for the scholarship program which would consist of one scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00. Will Roberson provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
8. The Board went into Executive Session at 3:52 pm to discuss personnel matters. The session ended at 4:44 pm. After returning to open public session, Ken Ragle made a motion to authorize District General Manager, David Miley and District Office Manager, Diana Martinez a one-time net payment of \$500.00



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- each as a performance bonus and three additional days off prior to December 31st. Will Roberson provided a second. There was unanimous consent
9. Consider and act on personnel evaluations in accordance with District Rule 3.1. There was a short discussion and Ryan Ellis made a motion to accept the evaluation of GM David Miley which was covered in Executive Session. Emily Whitworth provided a second. There was unanimous consent.
 10. Reorganization of Board and Election of Board Officers. There was a short discussion, and it was decided to not take any action at this time.
 11. Establish date and time of next meeting, January 13, 2025, at 3pm:
 12. Adjourn: The meeting adjourned at 4:56 pm.

Minutes approved by:

Bobby Brown – President