Panola County Groundwater Conservation District
Board of Directors Regular Meeting Minutes
September 22, 2026

A regular meeting of the Panola County Groundwater Conservation District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, September 22, 2026, at 5:30 pm. in the District Conference Room at 419 W. Sabine Street, Carthage, Texas 75633. The following were in attendance:

Board Members:

Precinct #1	Mike Pennington
	Danny Reed
Precinct #2	John Burgess
Precinct #3:	Toby Register
Precinct #4:	Ronny McMillan
	Charles Foster
At Large:	Johnny Parker

District Staff: Teresa Griffin, General Manager; David Waldrop, Field Technician/Inspector, Jeremy Green, Field Technician

Absent: Craig Harris, Precinct #2, Heath Hays, Precinct #3,

Public: None

1. The regular board meeting was called to order by Mike Pennington, Board President at 5:45 P.M.

2. Charles Foster conducted the invocation.

3. There were no public comments at the September 22, 2026, Regular Board Meeting.

4. The General Manager administered the Oath of Office to Toby Register, appointed to Precinct #3. There was no action to be taken.

5. The minutes from the August 25, 2026 Public Hearing-Permits were reviewed; Charles Foster made a motion to approve the minutes, Ronny McMillan seconded, and the motion carried.

6. After reviewing the August 25, 2026 Regular Board Meeting Minutes Charles Foster moved, and Ronny McMillan seconded the motion to approve the minutes. The motion passed unanimously of those present.

7. With all places on the board being unopposed; the Order of Cancellation for the 2026 Directors Election and Certificate of Unopposed Candidates was prepared. Johnny Parker made a motion approve these actions, Charles Foster seconded the motion, and the motion carried unanimously of those present.

8. The General Manager gave routine office updates. There was no action taken.

9. District staff provided updates on monitor well, rain gauges, and other District field work. The monthly monitor deep well readings showed a water level decrease of 0.505 feet in the last month. The shallow monitor well water levels showed a decrease of 0.770 feet in the last month. Panola County's recorded rainfall average for August was 1.17 inches. The historical precipitation average for August is 2.89 inches. The cumulative precipitation total for 2026 is 27.94 inches. As of September 15, 2026, Panola County's drought status is Severe, according to the U.S. Drought Monitor for Texas. In the last month, there have been no significant drawdowns near pumping monitored areas, and water levels have increased in other areas.

10. After reviewing the expenditures from August 21, 2026 to September 18, 2026, Danny Reed moved, and Charles Foster seconded the motion to approve the expenditures as presented. The motion passed unanimously of those present.

11. There was no need for executive session.

12. Since there was no executive session, there was no action to consider.

13. Next meeting date was set for October 20, 2026 at 5:30 P.M

14. With no further business Ronny McMillan moved, and Johnny Parker seconded the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously of those present, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:16 P.M.

Approved this 20th day of October 2026

Director

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