



**REGULAR MEETING AGENDA
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2026, AT 6:00 P.M.
TO FOLLOW AFTER PERMIT HEARING
(TO BEGIN UPON ADJOURNMENT OF THE ABOVE LISTED PUBLIC HEARINGS)

Held In Person with the option for Public Comment
Remotely by Publicly Accessible Video Conference
(The video conference opens at 5:15 P.M.)

The Board of Directors may discuss, consider, and take action, including expenditure of funds, on any item or subject matter posted in this agenda.

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L. BRANDON STEINMANN, COUNTY CLERK
MONTGOMERY COUNTY, TEXAS

1. Call to Order and Declare Regular Meeting Open to the Public
2. Roll Call
3. Public Comment on any agenda item or any other matter (Public comment is limited to a maximum of 3 minutes per speaker); *See Comment Card for Other Guidelines and Procedures.*
4. Executive Session - The Board will recess for a closed Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code, §551.071, to consult with the District's attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation, settlement offers; or on matters in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code regarding any agenda item on any of the board meetings or hearings posted for today.

No action will be taken in Executive Session.

5. Re-convene in Open Session.
6. Discuss, consider, and take action as necessary concerning approval of Meeting Minutes:
 - A. September 8, 2026, Public Hearing on Permit and Permit Amendment Applications
 - B. September 8, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
7. Committee Reports:
 - A. Executive Committee – Jim Spigener, Chair
 - 1) Brief the Board on the Committee's activities since the last regular board meeting.
 - B. Budget & Finance Committee – Janice Thigpen, Board Secretary
 - 1) Brief the Board on the Committee's activities since the last regular board meeting.
 - 2) Review of unaudited financials for the month of September in 2026 – Sarah Kouba, General Manager
 - 3) Review of 3rd Quarter, 2026 Investment Report – Sarah Kouba, General Manager
 - 4) Discuss, consider, and possible action on approval of Resolution #26-005 adopting FY 2027 Operating and Capital Outlay Budget.



C. External Affairs Committee – Jim Spigener, Chair

- 1) Brief the Board on the Committee’s activities since the last regular board meeting.

D. DFC & Technical Committee

- 1) Brief the Board on the Committee’s activities since the last regular board meeting – Jim Spigener, Board President
- 2) Technical Consultants Update - Receive updates from Technical Consultants on ongoing projects and/or applicable information – Sarah Kouba, General Manager, and/or District’s technical consultant(s).
- 3) Groundwater Management Area 14 – update the Board on the issues related to joint planning activities and development of desired future conditions in GMA 14 – Sarah Kouba, General Manager, and/or District’s technical consultant(s).

E. Rules, Bylaws & Policies Committee – Jim Spigener, Chair

- 1) Brief the Board on the Committee’s activities since the last regular board meeting.
8. Discuss, consider and possible action on revisions to Employee Policy Handbook – Sarah Kouba, General Manager
 9. General Manager’s Report – The General Manager will brief the Board on pertinent operational and management issues that the District, its employees, or consultants have encountered since the last regular Board meeting. – Sarah Kouba, General Manager.
 10. General Counsel’s Report – The District's legal counsel will brief the Board on any pertinent legal issues and developments impacting the District since the last regular Board meeting, and legal counsel's activities on behalf of the District, including without limitation: waste injection well monitoring activities and injection well applications filed at the Railroad Commission of Texas or the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, including District protests or other actions regarding same; District Rules enforcement activities; District Rules and regulations, permitting and District Management Plan development or implementation issues; groundwater-related legislative activities; joint planning and desired future conditions development activities; contemplated and/or pending litigation involving the District; developments in groundwater case law and submission of legal briefs; legislation or legislative activities; contractual issues related to the District; open government, open records requests, policy, personnel, election matters and financial issues of the District; and other legal activities on behalf of the District. – Stacey V. Reese.
 11. New Business.
 12. Adjourn.



The above agenda schedules for the meetings and hearings of the District represent an estimate of the order for the indicated items and are subject to change at any time.

These public hearings and meetings are available to all persons regardless of disability. If you require special assistance to attend the meeting or hearing, please contact the Lone Star GCD at 936-494-3436 at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting.

At any time during one the above meetings or hearings and in compliance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes, Annotated, the Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District Board may meet in executive session on any of the above agenda items for consultation concerning attorney-client matters (§551.071); deliberation regarding real property (§551.072); deliberation regarding prospective gift (§551.073); personnel matters (§551.074); deliberation regarding security devices (§551.076); and deliberation regarding cybersecurity (§551.089). Any subject discussed in the executive session may be subject to action during an open meeting.

Certification

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that on October 13, 2026, at or before 5:00 p.m., I posted and filed the above notices of meeting(s) and hearing(s) with the Montgomery County Clerk's office and also posted a copy in the front window of the Lone Star GCD office in a place convenient and readily accessible to the general public all times and that it will remain so posted continuously for at least 3 days preceding the scheduled time of said meeting in accordance with the Texas Government Code, Chapter 551

/s/ Sarah Kouba

Sarah Kouba, General Manager
Lone Star Groundwater Conservation District