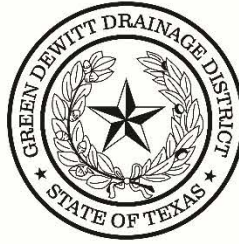


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Regular Meeting Minutes January 21, 2026 – 11:00 a.m.

1. Opening Prayer

A prayer was offered for the Board, staff, families, and community, including safety and preparedness ahead of the incoming cold front.

2. Quorum and Call to Order

All Directors were present. A quorum was established, and the meeting was called to order at 11:00 a.m.

3. Public Comment

One member of the public, **Robert Baker**, was present. No public comments were offered.

4. Approval of Minutes

A motion was made and seconded to approve the minutes from December 2025 as presented.
Motion passed unanimously.

5. Facilities, Maintenance, Improvements & Projects

6. General Manager's Report

Interlocal Agreement

- On **January 16**, the GM signed the **Interlocal Agreement** with the **North Cuero Watershed** following Board approval.

GLO Grant Project Schedule

- On **January 29**, Grant Project Manager Aaron Miller submitted a revised project schedule due to delays.
- The delay is tied to the engineering team's need to resubmit an exhibit defining work outside the **Ordinary High-Water Mark** to avoid impacts to endangered species.

Oil Mill Channel Clearing

- On **January 5**, the GM and Foreman began oversight of clearing work along the **Oil Mill Channel** between Alonzo Street and Highway 72.
- Lopez Tree Service cleared approximately **300 feet** on January 8.

Meeting with Southwest Engineers

- The GM and Director Sethness met with **Southwest Engineers** regarding watershed boundaries.
- Discussion included the need for an updated watershed study, noting that development and cross-channel modifications have altered drainage patterns.
- The District prefers to use the **original watershed boundaries** for planning and authority.

Quarterly and Administrative Filings

- **January 9:** Texas Association of Counties Unemployment Report for 4th quarter was filed..
- **January 13:** Renewed membership with the Texas Floodplain Management Association (TFMA).
- **January 16:** Registered for the TFMA full conference and Floodplain Manager 101 session.
- **January 20:** Filed the Eminent Domain Report with the Texas Comptroller; no changes required.

Internal Audit

- The **2025 internal audit** is ongoing.
- The Office Manager continued with the administrative workload of the internal audit, gathering and organizing records, preparing reconciliations, uploading documentation, and responding to auditors requests.

7. Engineering

Engineering Status

- The GM reported that **CivilCorp** has not submitted the updated scope of work or revised exhibits required for the GLO project.
- Multiple attempts to contact the engineer have not been successful.

Discussion on Engineering Procurement

- Directors discussed concerns about responsiveness from both CivilCorp and previous firms.

- Board President Doug Sethness suggested revisiting the prior practice of selecting a dedicated engineering firm through a competitive qualifications process. Staff will locate the previous public notice and procurement documents for informational purposes. The Board held no further discussion and took no action on the suggestion.

8. GLO Grant Updates

- No additional updates beyond those provided in the GM Report.
- The District is awaiting the revised exhibit from CivilCorp.

9. Personnel Matters

The Board President stated that the timeframe for the General Manager to obtain the Certified Floodplain Manager (CFM) credential had expired and asked that this be noted in the minutes. The Board held no further discussion and took no action on the matter

10. Financial Matters

Tax Revenue and Cash Flow

- The District currently holds:
 - Approximately **\$300,000** in the primary money market account.
 - Approximately **\$200,000** in the emergency reserve fund.
- The District is projected to receive the remaining **\$200,000+** in tax revenue over the coming months, with heavier deposits typically arriving in **June and July**.

Budget Discussion

- Directors discussed that the annual budget exceeds current cash on hand but is supported by anticipated annual revenues.
- This pattern has been consistent for many years.
- Directors agreed it is important to document these discussions for public transparency.

Appraisal Trends

- Directors discussed potential declines in property values and the impact on future revenue.
- Homestead exemption issues were also discussed, with several members noting recent removals requiring reapplication.
- No action was taken.

11. Scheduling of Next Meeting

The next regular meeting will be held on:

Tuesday, February 17, 2026, at 11:00 a.m.

12. Adjournment

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn.

With no further discussion, the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at **11:40 a.m.**

Director

Date

General Manager

Date