

**STERLING COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

January 11, 2016

Members present: Josh Gaines, Ruthe Foster, Frank Price and Herbert McCaleb  
Manager; Scott Holland, Assistant Manager/Technician; Diana Thomas and  
Accountant; Karen Hodges.

Visitors present: None

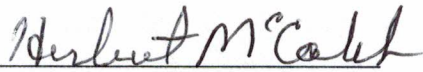
The meeting was called to order by Josh Gaines, Vice-Chairman.

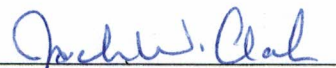
Ruthe Foster moved to accept the minutes of the previous meetings. Frank Price seconded the motion and it carried.

After reviewing the bills as presented by the accountant, Frank Price moved to pay all bills. Ruthe Foster seconded and the motion passed.

The Manager's report included: Meetings attended: WTWMA and two WTRGA in San Angelo, Hobo and Records Management webinars and the Sterling Christmas Stroll. WTWMA concluded the 2015 season with 38 operational days. El Nino activity indicates an early and active 2016 season with above average rainfall predicated. WTRGA met to discuss retaining Bob Turner as Legislative Consultant and discuss concern with TWDB delays in providing required data for GMA 7 to adopt DFC's by the May 2016 deadline. The Hobo webinar gave information on their newest transducer with blue tooth capability and the Records Management webinar provided information on updating the Records Retention Policy. Diana gave an overview of the House Interim Charges which included examining sufficiency of safety standards of disposal and injection wells, monitoring regional and state water planning procedures, studying if the current drought of record remains appropriate and evaluating water sources, delivery methods and conservation in agricultural use. Also presented was a law paper on the ability of GCD to integrate water quality concerns into rules, management and permits from the law conference she attended in October. With the aid of Ruthe Foster the Sterling Christmas Stroll was a fun success. Well surveillance included: Water levels and Frank Price. Water levels for 2015 are up 2-3' over 2014 levels.

There being no further business, Herbert McCaleb moved to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Ruthe Foster and the meeting adjourned at 9:10 A.M.

  
Attesting Signature

  
Presiding Officer

Date: 2-8-16