

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

July 13, 2020

Members present: Jack Clark, Ruthe Foster, Ross McCrea and Cliff Caldwell
General Manager; Diana Thomas and Consulting Manager; Scott Holland
Visitors present: None

The meeting was called to order by Jack Clark, Chairman of the Board.

Cliff Caldwell moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Ruthe Foster seconded the motion and it carried.

After reviewing the bills as presented by the manager, Ruthe Foster moved to transfer \$7,500 from the MMDA to the checking and pay all bills. Cliff Caldwell seconded and the motion passed.

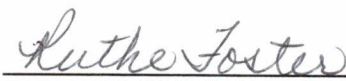
The Manager's report included: WTWMA in San Angelo, Truth in Taxation Webinar, TAGD Executive Committee Conference Call. The early weather modification season has been a busy one with more flares fired than any other season to date. However, the current dry spell is looking to hold due to a trending La Nina weather pattern. Both managers attended the Truth in Taxation webinar in order to better prepare for the SB2 taxing changes from last session to be implemented this coming tax season. The TAGD conference call made the difficult decision to move the annual summit to a virtual platform this year with varying registration options. Well surveillance included: water levels and L. Wilson and L. Horwood. Levels were down some.

After receiving the 2020 Q2 Investment Report as presented by the manager, Cliff Caldwell moved to accept the report. Ruthe Foster seconded and the motion passed. The board accepted the latest Drought Report as presented.

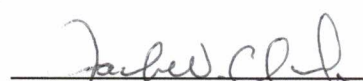
After analyzing the various recycling options available to the SCUWCD, staff drafted an exemption document explaining the hardships that would be incurred if the District were to adopt a recycling program under new TCEQ rules. After reviewing the hardships and documentation, Ruthe Foster moved to approve the Recycling Program Exemption. Ross McCrea seconded and the motion passed

The manager presented a draft amended 2019-2020 budget and proposed FY 2020-21 budget for discussion. With travel restrictions due to COVID-19 and those budgeted items not expended, there are predicted to be very little changes in the upcoming FY budget. In response to previous discussions on various needed office updates, the board was presented with several rug samples and two bids for front awning repairs. Following discussion on the items Cliff Caldwell moved to award the repair contract to Thomas Contracting for \$1711 and selected a replacement rug. Ross McCrea seconded and all voted in favor.

There being no further business, and after a lively discussion on goliath roosters and flying ants, Ross McCrea moved and Cliff Caldwell seconded to adjourn at 2:10 PM.



Attesting Signature



Presiding Officer

Date: 8-10-2020