

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

January 8, 2024

Members present: Jack Clark, Kade Hodges, Cliff Caldwell, and Wes Glass, General Manager; Diana Thomas and Technician; Ashley Masters.

Visitors present: Karen Hodges, accountant.

The meeting was called to order at 1:03 P.M. by Jack Clark, Chairman of the Board.

Kade Hodges moved to accept the minutes of the previous meetings. Wes Glass seconded the motion and it carried.

Accountant, Karen Hodges, presented the regular bills to the Board. After reviewing the bills as presented, Wes Glass moved to transfer \$6,000 from the MMDA to the checking account, and to pay all bills. Bills include regular monthly bills, chemical analysis from a certified lab, and annual PO box payment. Kade Hodges seconded, and the motion passed.

The Manager's Report included: WTWMA and Joint ICWCD meeting in San Angelo, TAGD virtual Executive Committee meeting, and TAGD/TWDB Webinar. WTWMA held their last meeting of the year and approved a 2024 budget with an unchanged bottom line and internal adjustments for increased insurance and utility costs. The project meteorologist has left and 2024 will start with a new meteorologist. The TAGD Executive Committee met to discuss and plan out the process for hiring a new Executive Director. TAGD and the TWDB held a webinar to assist GCDs in setting up a TDLR account to edit submitted well driller's logs. ICWCD and SCUWCD held their annual joint meeting over dinner in San Angelo to continue the interlocal-agreements.

Well Surveillance Report: Water levels within Sterling County monitor wells had 16 wells remaining at static levels, 9 wells that measured increased water levels, 7 wells that measured decreasing water levels, 6 well that were unable to be measured and one new well. Yearly averages for well levels compared to the previous year were also discussed with the board.

Rain gauge network data updates from the delayed 3rd quarter reading were given to board members. No Notice of Intent to Drill were received. Mineral water analysis and a Sulfur-Reducing Bacteria test was performed for Scooter McCaleb.

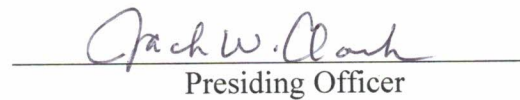
Wes Glass moved to accept the most recent drought index. Cliff Caldwell seconded, and the motion passed.

After presentation by Diana Thomas, manager, Wes Glass moved to accept the 2023 Q4 Investment Report. Cliff Caldwell seconded, and the motion passed. The Board was also informed of updates to the State compiled list of companies doing scrutinized business with Iran.

After presentation and discussion, Cliff Caldwell moved to accept the FY 22-23 Annual Report on Management Plan Achievement. The District met all its management goals in the previous fiscal year. Kade Hodges seconded, and the motion passed.

There being no further business Cliff Caldwell moved and Kade Hodges seconded to adjourn at 1:39 PM.


Attesting Signature


Presiding Officer

Date: 2-12-2024