

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

May 11, 2020

Members present: Jack Clark, Ruthe Foster and Ross McCrea  
General Manager; Diana Thomas and Consulting Manager; Scott Holland  
Visitors present: Amy Bush and Ray Brady of RMBJ Geo

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

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

After reviewing the bills as presented by the accountant, Ross McCrea moved to transfer \$6,000 from the MMDA to the checking and pay all bills. Ruthe Foster seconded and the motion passed.

The Manager's report included: WTWMA in San Angelo, TWDB Stakeholders, TCEQ Commissioners and TAGD Executive Committee Video Conferences. WTWMA had a successful 2019 season with a target area rainfall increase of 17.7% or 1.82 inches on average but only 15.4% or 1.28 inches increase for Sterling County. The 2019 weather patterns were more advantageous for the southern target area. Looking forward, a La Nina is being predicted for a hot and dry end of 2020 through 2021. The TWDB is in the process of updating the Edwards Trinity Regional Aquifer Model and held a stakeholders virtual meeting to discuss planned updates and data needs. Most of the substantial changes will be farther east than Sterling and Irion counties in the modeled area, although they may be interested in some Irion spring water quality data. One of the numerous items on the TCEQ Commissioners agenda was adopting rule changes for the implementation of HB 720 on ASR projects affecting GCDs through required notification. A few additional grammatical changes and one substantial change were implemented, but nothing that would affect the notification that GCDs are required to receive. The TAGD Executive Committee discussed budget, operational, and business meeting changes happening due to COVID-19 pandemic related orders. Notice of Intents for D&L wells were received from Yarbar Ranch, G. Munoz and Cope Ranch. Well surveillance included: Water levels, rain gauges and R. Stewart, C. Caldwell, Reed Arena, Highway Dept., A. Potts, S. Cole, M. Blanek, K. Davis Duncum, J. Durham, M. Reed, J. McEntire and S. Foster. Levels were mainly static and the board was presented with the district recorded 2020 rainfall totals through April. The Board was presented with the latest drought index and new graphs from the updated TWDB drought monitor webpage.

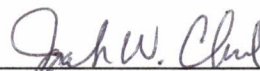
The board received a presentation from RMBJ Geo highlighting their efforts to convert our water level monitoring program to a DFC tracking program per task 1 from their proposal. The full report will be forthcoming upon completion of some final edits identified from the presentation and communications with Directors and Managers.

The board received the Q1 2020 Investment report from Diana Thomas, Investment Officer.

There being no further business Ruthe Foster moved and Ross McCrea seconded to adjourn at 2:40 PM.



Attesting Signature

  
Presiding Officer

Date: 0-8-2020