

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

July 12, 2021

Members present: Kade Hodges, Ross McCrea, Ruthe Foster and Cliff Caldwell
General Manager; Diana Thomas, Consulting Manager; Scott Holland and
Accountant; Karen Hodges

Visitors present: None

The meeting was called to order by Kade Hodges, Vice-Chairman of the Board.

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

After reviewing the bills as presented, Ross McCrea moved to transfer \$8,500 from the MMDA to the checking and pay all bills. Ruthe Foster seconded and the motion passed.

The Manager's report included: a quick update on the legislative special session currently meeting. No water related issues have been put on the call so we are only lightly monitoring Austin. Well surveillance included: water levels, K. Howard/K.Guy, K.D. Duncum, Mims Reed M. Blanek, Davis Water Station, and S. Bryan. Levels are static overall. A Notice of Intent for a domestic well for Kenneth Gray was received.

The Board accepted the Drought Index and 2021 Q2 Investment Report as presented. Following brief discussion on renewing the Recycling Program Exemption Declaration Cliff Caldwell moved to renew the exemption. Ross McCrea seconded and the motion carried.

Following the Personnel Evaluation, Ross McCrea moved to give the General Manager a 2% raise and leave the Consulting Manager at the current salary beginning FY 2021-22. Cliff Caldwell seconded and all voted in favor. Cliff Caldwell then moved to award both the General Manager and Consulting Manager merit pay for the FY 2020-21. Ross McCrea seconded and all voted in favor.

A brief budget workshop was held discussing the FY 21-22 Budget and 2020 Tax Rate. Due to misinformation and confusion on when the board should propose a budget and tax rate and the lack of certified values, no action was taken on proposing a FY 21-22 Budget or 2020 Tax Rate.

There being no further business, Cliff Caldwell moved and Ruthe Foster seconded to adjourn at 2:30 PM.



Attesting Signature



Presiding Officer

Date: 8/19/2021