

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

May 9, 2022

Members present: Ruthe Foster, Ross McCrea, and Cliff Caldwell
 General Manager; Diana Thomas and Technician; Ashley Masters.

Visitors present: Karen Hodges, accountant

The meeting was called to order at 1:05 pm by Ross McCrea, Secretary 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, Cliff Caldwell moved to transfer \$6,500.00 from the MMDA to the checking account and to pay all bills. Ruthe Foster seconded and the motion passed.

The Manager's Report included the following meetings: WTWMA in San Angelo, Irion County ISD Spring Creek Camp and Frankie Limmer in Mertzon. Glasscock County Groundwater Conservation District in Garden City, Jeff Glass in Sterling County, TAGD Bootcamp and Executive Committee virtually, and GMA 7 in Wall. WTWMA has been low on operational days so far this season, but is up and flying when conditions are right. La Nina conditions are holding strong and look to continue through August. The new website is still under construction but is viewable online. District staff provided edible aquifers to 4th thru 6th graders at the Irion Co. ISD Spring Creek Camp. Geology, water cycles, and local aquifer conditions were all discussed over individually served ice cream float aquifer models! Frankie Limmer spent the morning driving staff around his property to catalogue wells, update permits, and discuss options and limitations on a new O&G supply well. Diana Thomas visited the Glasscock County GCD board meeting to discuss bit coin mining facility water use and potential projects slated along shared county lines. Jeff Glass is taking over the Lacy Creek Ranch for the late Larry Glass in which the District maintains two monitor wells. Staff notified Jeff Glass of monthly activities, provided maps and historical information on our monitor wells, and provided contact information should any access gates be moved or have combination locks changed. TAGD Bootcamp covered the legal open government requirements, best practices, board liability, and necessary postings for Ground Water Districts. The TAGD Executive Committee met virtually to review documents in preparation of the upcoming business meeting and to discuss Senate Interim hearing changes. GMA 7 met in Wall to review management plans as required by law, to vote on continuing with our current consultant, Bill Hutchison, for the next planning cycle,

and to discuss the current status of the TWDB in updating the Edwards-Trinity model. Water quality analysis was run for L. Pitcock, S. Cole, and M. Blanek.

Water level through out the county remain overall static with slight variations in certain wells.

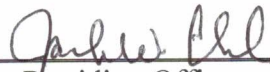
Six (6) Intent to Drill forms were received, livestock for Reed Stewart, livestock for Mims Reed, livestock for OWI Ranch Properties, office supply for Lacy Creek Wind LLC, domestic for Hunter Hughes, and domestic for Jason Cox.

Cliff Caldwell motioned to grant the application of Lacy Creek Wind LLC's Office Water Supply Permit Located at Section 3, Abstract 561 for no more than 0.4 acre feet of water per year. Ruthe Foster seconded the motion and it carried.

There being no further business Ruthe Foster moved and Cliff Caldwell seconded to adjourn at 2:08 PM.



Attesting Signature



Presiding Officer

Date: 6-13-2022