

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

August 9, 2021

Members present: Kade Hodges, Ross McCrea and Ruthe Foster  
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 \$22,000 from the MMDA to the checking and pay all bills. Ruthe Foster seconded and the motion passed.

The Manager's report included: The Manager's report included: WTWMA, Tom Green CAD and West Texas Legislative Summit in San Angelo, Sutton Co UWCD in Sonora and WTRGA virtual meeting. Scott Holland joined a WTWMA delegation to the Sutton Co UWCD board meeting to provide an update on program activities and encourage continued participation. WTWMA has been busy with the wetter than average July but are still predicting a drier than average outlook for the rest of the year. The Tom Green CAD has created a website to meet tax code requirements and held a training seminar for taxing entities on how to utilize and upload information to the new site. The WTRGA met virtually with our consultant to discuss the captive special session and rumors on additional subject matter to be added to the call. The group also voted to extend another two year contract to the current consultant beginning Jan. 1, 2022 under the same terms. The West Texas Legislative Summit put on by the San Angelo Chamber of Commerce was well attended by federal and state legislative members. Infrastructure was a dominating topic, as well as party politics. Although water was on the agenda, it got very little spotlight throughout the event.

Notice of Intent for domestic wells were received from Lee Puckitt. Well surveillance included: water levels, and rain gauges. Levels are static overall.

A brief budget workshop was held discussing the FY 21-22 Budget and 2021 Tax Rate. Ruthe Foster moved to propose a FY 2021-22 Budget of \$165,800. Ross McCrea seconded and the motion carried. Ross McCrea then moved to propose a 2021 Tax Rate of \$0.01681 which is the No New Revenue Rate. Ruthe Foster seconded and all voted in favor.

There being no further business, Ruthe Foster moved and Ross McCrea seconded to adjourn at 1:55 PM.

Ruthe Foster

Attesting Signature

Joshua P. Clark

Presiding Officer

Date: 10-13-21