## STERLING COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

February 12, 2024

Members present: Jack Clark, Kade Hodges, and Cliff Caldwell; General Manager, Diana

Thomas and Technician, Ashley Masters.

Visitors present: Karen Hodges, accountant.

The meeting was called to order at 1:08 P.M. by Jack Clark, Chairman of the Board.

Cliff Caldwell moved to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Kade Hodges seconded the motion and it carried.

Accountant, Karen Hodges, presented the regular bills to the Board. After reviewing the bills as presented, Cliff Caldwell moved to transfer \$4,000 from the MMDA to the checking account and to pay all bills. Bills included regular monthly bills plus the annual joint planning invoice. Kade Hodges seconded, and the motion passed.

The Manager's report included: two TAGD Executive Committee Virtual Meetings, TAGD Bootcamp and Business meeting in Round Rock, and Region F in Big Spring. The TAGD Executive Committee met to discuss how Executive Director interviews will be held and finalize financials for the business meeting. The Executive Committee met in person and virtually to conduct Executive Director interviews. TAGD Bootcamp in Round Rock very informative session on lithology and aquifer formation and characterization. TAGD Business Meeting in Round Rock introduce new technology for brackish aquifers by utilizing Borehole Magnetic Resonance, the importance of workforce management and having plans in place for extended leave and in place in case of employment changes, Updates from TWDB, RRC, and TCEQ. Region F is over halfway through the joint planning cycle with Sterling and Irion counties looking to be categorized as MAG limited. Consultants anticipate hydrogen projects will fall under the mining category in the next planning cycle.

Well surveillance of the water level network was reported. It was noted that Wanda Foster's well is very sensitive to pumping in the area around her house.

A Notice of Intent to Drill was received for T. Wright for a livestock well, K. Hodges for an irrigation replacement well, W. Hodges for two irrigation wells, and R. Copeland for a livestock well.

Water Analysis was performed for T. Millican.

After review of the current Records Management Policy and discussion highlighting the need for a new officer designation, Cliff Caldwell moved to appoint the General Manager as the Records Management Officer. Kade Hodges seconded, and the motion passed.

There being no further business Cliff Caldwell moved and Kade Hodges seconded to adjourn at 1:46 PM.

Attesting Signature

Presiding Officer

Date: 4-8-2024