



**Minutes
August 8, 2017**

Call Regular Meeting to Order –The regular meeting was held on Tuesday, August 8, 2017, beginning at 9:00 a.m. in the conference room of the Edwards-Plateau SWCD Building; 301 S. Crockett; Sonora, Texas. Robert Sol Mayer called the meeting to order; present were Directors: James Archer, Max Howorth, and Joe David Ross. District Staff present included Jacqui Thomas, Meredith Allen, and Jim Polonis.

1. **Call Regular Meeting to Order** – Chairman Robert Sol Mayer called the meeting to order at 9:08 with a quorum present.
2. **Recognize Visitors—Any person or group wishing to speak to the Board on any item on the Agenda will be allowed 5 minutes** – Dr. Ronald Green, SwRI and Susana Canseco from Branscomb were present and did not comment.
3. **Recognize Pump Installers & Drillers—Any person or group wishing to speak on any item on the Agenda will be allowed 5 minutes** - N/A
4. **Rainfall and Water Level Report** – Jacqui Thomas gave the report.
5. **Action Consider Approval of Minutes of the July 11, 2017 regular meeting.** – Director Howorth motioned to approve the July 11 minutes. Director Archer 2nd the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
6. **Action Consider Approval of Bills and Financial Statements for July 2017.** – Director Howorth motioned to approve bills and financial statements. Director Ross 2nd the motion, and the motion passed unanimously.
7. **Action recommend and vote on candidate to fill Dean Dermody’s precinct 2 position on the Board**
It was noted that Director Dermody represents Precinct 4, not 2 as stated in agenda. Director Ross motioned to appoint Dr. Erika Campbell to fill the vacant position. The motion was 2nd by Director Archer and passed unanimously.
8. **Action Consider Approval of the draft FY 2017-2018 budget** – Director Archer made a motion to approve the draft budget and Director Howorth 2nd the motion. The motion passed unanimously.
9. **Set date for public hearing on budget and tax rate** – The public hearing was set for the upcoming September meeting.
10. **Action Executive Session: Deliberations about Personnel Matters: In Accordance with Texas Government Code 551.074.** – tabled to be considered at the September meeting.
11. **Action Reconvene into Open Session and Consider Action, if any, regarding decisions discussed in Executive Session** – tabled.
12. **General Manager’s comments** – N/A
13. **Continuation of amended rules workshop with Ms. Susana Conseco and Dr. Ron Green.** – Dr. Green presented on his recent study involving the Devils River Watershed. The Board continued to discuss the rules.
14. **Action Consider setting date and time for amended rules public hearing** – tabled.
15. **Director Comments/Directives to Staff** –N/A
16. **Action Consider meeting adjournment** – The board adjourned at 12pm, as motioned by Director Howorth and 2nd by Director Archer. The motion passed unanimously.

Next meeting is scheduled for September 19, at 9:00a.m. in the conference room of the Edwards-Plateau SWCD Building, 301 S. Crockett Ave.; Sonora, TX.

Presiding Officer

Date

Attesting Signature

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