
SUTTON COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



Board Meeting
February 14, 2023 – 9:00 a.m.
Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District Board Room
301 S. Crockett Ave.
Sonora, Texas

Minutes

Directors Present: Robert Mayer, Butch Taylor, Erika Campbell, Max Howorth, and James Archer

Directors Absent: None

District Staff Present: Meredith Allen, Sofia Galindo, Lana Tolleson

Regular Board Meeting

1. Call Regular Meeting to Order

Board Chairman Robert Mayer called the regular meeting to order at 9:05 a.m.

2. Recognize Visitors—Any person or group wishing to speak to the Board on any item on the Agenda will be allowed 5 minutes

None Present

3. Recognize Pump Installers & Drillers—Any person or group wishing to speak on any item on the Agenda will be allowed 5 minutes

None Present

4. Water Level and Rainfall Report

Technician Sofia Galindo and Consulting Manager Meredith Allen presented rainfall and water level reports for the month of January.

5. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Minutes of the January 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting.

Director James Archer made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 10, 2023 Regular Board Meeting. The motion was 2nd by Director Erika Campbell. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Bills and Financial Statements for November & December 2022.

Operations Manager Lana Tolleson reviewed the revenue and expenditures for January 2023. Director Max Howorth made a motion to approve the January 2023 bills and financial statements. The motion was 2nd by Archer and passed unanimously. Howorth then made a motion to authorize spending up to \$16,500 for the addition of water quality and water level monitoring modules to Hydros with the funds coming from the current budget, to be reconciled in future budget amendments. The motion was 2nd by Campbell and passed unanimously.

7. Action, Discuss or Consider Approval of the Sutton County UWCD Election for Precincts 1 and 4

Director Butch Taylor made a motion to order the Sutton County UWCD Election for Precincts 1 and 4. The motion was 2nd by Howorth and passed unanimously.

8. Action, Discuss or Consider Approval of Joint Election Agreement

Archer made a motion to approve the Joint Election Agreement between Sonora ISD, Sutton County UWCD, and the Sutton County Clerk. The motion was 2nd by Howorth and passed unanimously.

9. Action, Discuss or Consider Property Struck Off to the Taxing Jurisdictions for Delinquent Property Taxes. The Property being identified as R100623.

Howorth made a motion to accept the bid of \$5,000 for Property #R100623 by Victor Virgen with a 2nd by Campbell. The motion passed unanimously.

10. Action, Discuss or Consider 2022 Annual Report

Allen presented the 2022 Annual Report to the Board. A motion was made by Taylor and 2nd by Archer to accept the report. The motion passed unanimously.

11. Annual Report on Texas A&M Research Project

The Board reviewed the Annual Report of the Texas A&M Research Project submitted by Dr. Doug Tolleson. A motion was made by Campbell to accept the report with a 2nd by Taylor. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Consulting Manager’s Comments

- a. GMA 7 – There are no current updates.
- b. Legislative Update – Allen gave the Board updates on the new Legislative session, Committee Chair assignments and proposed bills.

13. Operations Manager’s Comments

- a. TAGD Winter 2023 Business Meeting & GCD Boot Camp – Elections and Taxation-Rescheduled - Tolleson informed the Board that the TAGD Business Meeting and Boot Camp originally scheduled for January 31 - February 1 in Pflugerville had to be rescheduled due to freezing weather. The Boot Camp will be held virtually on February 21st.
- b. Cyber Security Awareness Training for 2023 – Tolleson informed the Board that staff will be taking the training for 2023 and offered to register any Board members who would also like to take the training.
- c. 5th Grade Field Tour – Tolleson let the Board know that the 5th Grade Field Tour date has not been finalized, but will be held at the end of April. Board members are welcome to participate with staff in helping the students build edible aquifers.

14. Director Comments/Directives to Staff

- a. Move forward with purchasing the Hydros packages for water quality and water level monitoring.

15. Action, Discuss, or Consider meeting adjournment

Taylor made a motion to adjourn at 10:39 a.m. with a 2nd by Campbell. The motion passed unanimously.

Presiding Officer

Date

Attesting Signature