
SUTTON COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



Public Hearing & Board Meeting

June 9, 2026 – 9:00 a.m.

Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District Board Room
301 S. Crockett Ave.
Sonora, Texas

Minutes

Directors Present: Robert Mayer, Chacho Cahill, Erika Campbell

Directors Absent: James Archer, Wheless Baker

District Staff Present: Meredith Allen, Sofia Galindo

Public Hearing on Proposed Desired Future Conditions of Relevant Aquifers Within Sutton County UWCD in Groundwater Management Area 7

1. Call Public Hearing to Order and Establish a Quorum

Board President Robert Mayer called the Public Hearing to order at 9:01 a.m. and established a quorum. No members of the public were in attendance for comment.

2. Open Public Hearing on Proposed Desired Future Conditions of Relevant Aquifers Within Sutton County UWCD in Groundwater Management Area 7

Mayer read information on Desired Future Conditions (DFCs) and led a discussion on the proposed DFC moving to 10 ft of drawdown in 50 years.

3. Adjourn Public Hearing

A motion was made by Director Erika Campbell to adjourn the Public Hearing at 9:17 a.m. The motion was seconded by Director Chacho Cahill and passed unanimously.

Board Meeting

1. Call Regular Board Meeting to Order

Board President Robert Mayer called the Board Meeting to order at 9:18 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

Ralph Mayer

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

Cahill reported that he had received 13.86" so far for 2026.

Technician Sofia Galindo explained that no field work occurred due to high amounts of rain. Annual Water Quality testing was conducted at the end of April & early May

5. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Minutes of the April 14, 2026 Board Meeting.

Campbell made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2026 Board Meeting with a second by Cahill. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Bills and Financial Statements for April & May 2026

Cahill made a motion to approve the bills and financial statements for April & May 2026. The motion was seconded by Campbell and passed unanimously. Directors discussed plans for July budget amendments & the FY 2026-27 budget.

7. Tax Deferral Affidavit from Sutton County Appraisal District

The District has received a tax deferral affidavit from the Sutton County Appraisal District for Mary Lopez.

8. Action, Discuss or Consider Approval of Permit to Drill for Steve and Lori Garner

Consulting Manager Meredith Allen presented a permit to drill for Steve and Lori Garner. Allen explained the permit conditions, drill and step drawdown test only, with the notice and operations hearing to come. A motion was made by Campbell to approve the drilling permit with a second by Cahill. The motion passed unanimously.

9. Action, Discuss, or Consider Setting Public Hearing to change Export Fees

This item was tabled.

10. Consulting Manager's Comments

- a. GMA 7 Update – Allen informed the Directors that the next GMA 7 meeting will be held in October. We are currently in the 90-day comment period for proposed DFCs.
- b. Texas Well Owner Network Workshop – May 21st – Held in Roosevelt at Simon Brothers Café. It was well attended and very educational.

11. Operation Manager's Comments

- a. 5th Grade Field Tour – the date was originally set for Thursday, April 30th at the Harter's ranch, but had to be rescheduled to May 6th due to rain. The 5th grade students built edible aquifers as an educational activity.
- b. PFIA Training – June 2nd – Meredith Allen, Lana Tolleson and Erika Campbell completed the Public Funds Investment Act training and will receive certificates soon.
- c. Budget Planning – planning has begun as we close out FY 2025-26 and prepare for FY 2026-27.

12. Director Comments/Directives to Staff

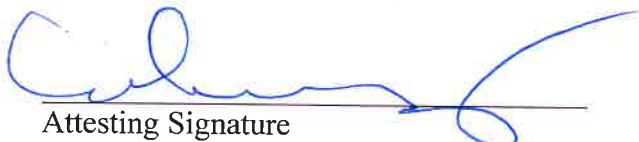
- a. Look into Board & Staff emails & iPads
- b. Continue researching purchase or acquisition of a karst aquifer model
- c. Erika Campbell directed Meredith to reach out to Ron Green for his input on transmission lines and how they might impact Sutton County and its water resources

13. Action, Discuss, or Consider meeting adjournment

Cahill made a motion to adjourn at 10:32 a.m. with a second by Campbell. The motion passed unanimously.


Presiding Officer

7-14-2026
Date


Attesting Signature