
SUTTON COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



**Board Meeting/Public Hearing
August 10, 2021 – 9:00 a.m.
City Council Chambers
201 E. Main Street
Sonora, Texas**

Minutes

Directors Present: Robert Mayer, James Archer, and Max Howorth

Directors Absent: Butch Taylor and Erika Campbell

District Staff Present: Meredith Allen, Sofia Galindo, and Lana Tolleson - Virtual

Public Hearing on Permitted Well Application

1. Call Public Hearing to Order and Establish Quorum

Board Chairman Robert Mayer called the public hearing to order at 9:03 a.m. with a quorum in attendance.

2. Open Public Hearing on Permit Application for Brian and Brandy “Neff” Jarvis for the purpose of domestic use under 10 acres

There were no comments from members of the public.

3. Adjourn Public Hearing on Permit Application

Director Max Howorth made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 9:11 a.m. with a 2nd by Director James Archer. The motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing on the Draft FY 2021-2022 Budget

1. Call Public Hearing to Order

Mayer called the public hearing to order at 9:15 a.m.

2. Open Public Hearing on draft FY 2021-2022 Budget

There were no comments from members of the public.

3. Adjourn Public Hearing on draft FY 2021-2022 Budget

Howorth made a motion to adjourn the public hearing at 9:25 a.m. with a 2nd by Archer. The motion passed unanimously.

Regular Board Meeting

1. Call Regular Meeting to Order

Mayer called the regular meeting to order at 9:26 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 presented rainfall and water level reports for the month of July.

5. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Minutes of the July 13, 2021 regular meeting.

Archer made a motion to approve the minutes of the July 13, 2021 regular meeting. The motion was 2nd by Howorth. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Bills and Financial Statements for July 2021.

Howorth made a motion to approve the July 2021 bills and financial statements. The motion was 2nd by Archer and passed unanimously.

7. Action, Discuss or Consider Permit Application for Brian and Brandy “Neff” Jarvis for the purpose of domestic use under 10 acres

Howorth made a motion to approve the permit as recommended for 28 acre-feet/year, waiving the requirement for annual reporting as a permitted well due to domestic use. The motion was 2nd by Archer and passed unanimously.

8. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of the draft FY 2021-2022 Budget

Howorth made a motion to approve the draft FY 2021-2022 budget with adjustments made by the Directors and with the addition of Hydros. The motion was 2nd by Archer and passed unanimously.

9. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of the Proposed Tax Rate

Archer made a motion to set the proposed tax rate as the No New Revenue (Effective) rate of 0.04593. The motion was 2nd by Howorth and passed unanimously.

10. Action, Discuss or Consider Date for Public Hearing on Tax Rate

Howorth made a motion to hold the Public Hearing for the Tax Rate on Tuesday, September 14, 2021 at 9:00 a.m. at the City Council Chambers. The motion was 2nd by Archer and passed unanimously.

11. Action, Discuss or Consider Database Program from Collier Consulting

Archer made a motion to purchase the Hydros Data Management System from Collier Consulting with \$45,000 coming from FY 2020-2021 budget and the remaining cost coming from the FY 2021-2022 budget. The motion was 2nd by Howorth and passed unanimously.

12. Consulting Manager’s Comments

- a. GMA 7 – Consulting Manager Meredith Allen informed the Board that resolutions for the DFCs would be considered at the next GMA 7 meeting that is rescheduled for August 19th at the Civic Center in Sonora.

13. Operations Manager’s comments

- a. Update on District Activity – Operations Manager Lana Tolleson informed the Board that plans are being made for Allen, Galindo, Campbell and Tolleson to attend the Groundwater Summit in San Antonio, August 31 – September 2.

14. Director Comments/Directives to Staff

- a. Make changes to the budget and send to Board.
- b. Post public hearing information for proposed tax rate.
- c. Work with Collier Consulting to begin implementing the Hydros Data Management System.

15. Action, Discuss, or Consider meeting adjournment

Howorth made a motion to adjourn at 11:17 a.m. with a 2nd by Archer. The motion passed unanimously.

Presiding Officer

Date

Attesting Signature