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# SUTTON COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

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**Public Hearing/Board Meeting**  
**April 9, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.**  
**Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District Board Room**  
**301 S. Crockett Ave.**  
**Sonora, Texas**

## **Minutes**

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

Directors Absent: Erika Campbell

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 Board Meeting to order at 9:04 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**

Dr. Doug Tolleson – Texas A&M AgriLife

**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. Annual Report of Texas A&M Research Project – Dr. Doug Tolleson**

Dr. Doug Tolleson gave his annual report on the research project funded by the District and answered many questions from the Directors.

**5. Water Level and Rainfall Report**

Technician Sofia Galindo presented the rainfall and water level report for February and March.

**6. Quarterly Well Registration Report**

Galindo gave the quarterly well registration report.

**7. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Minutes of the February 13, 2024 and March 19, 2024 Board Meetings.**

Director Max Howorth made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 13, 2024 and March 19, 2024 Board Meetings with a second by Director Butch Taylor. The motion passed unanimously.

**8. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Bills and Financial Statements for February & March 2024.**

Operations Manager Lana Tolleson reviewed the revenue and expenditures for February & March 2024. Taylor made a motion to approve the February & March 2024 bills and financial statements. The motion was seconded by Director James Archer and passed unanimously.

**9. Action, Discuss or Consider Approval of Quarterly Investment Report – 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY 2023-2024**

Howorth made a motion to approve the 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter FY 2023-2024 Quarterly Investment Report. The motion was seconded by Archer and passed unanimously.

**10. Action, Discuss or Consider Interlocal Agreement Between The Sutton County Underground Water Conservation District and City of Sonora.**

This item was tabled due to many questions from the Directors concerning the program. If possible, the Directors would like to attend a joint meeting with all taxing entities for further discussion.

**11. Action, Discuss or Consider Sponsorship of TAGD 2024 Annual Groundwater Summit**

After discussion, no action was taken.

**12. Consulting Manager’s Comments**

- a. Possible Groundwater Project – Consulting Manager Meredith Allen updated the Board on a number of items of interest in the district.
- b. 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Tour – Allen invited all Directors to attend the 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Field Tour on April 25<sup>th</sup> at the Harter Ranch where students will be building edible aquifers.

**13. Operations Manager’s Comments**

- a. TAGD Groundwater Summit Registration – August 20 - 22 – Tolleson asked that any Directors who would like to attend the Groundwater Summit let her know so she can register them and secure hotel rooms.
- b. Cyber Security Awareness Training 2024 – The annual Cyber Security Awareness Training is now available for all staff and any Directors who would like to take the training.

**14. Director Comments/Directives to Staff**

- a. Tolleson to evaluate available CD rates for maturing CDs for May meeting.
- b. Put WeatherMod on May Agenda

**15. Action, Discuss, or Consider meeting adjournment**

Archer made a motion to adjourn at 11:35 a.m. with a second by Howorth. The motion passed unanimously.

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Presiding Officer

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Attesting Signature