
SUTTON COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT



Board Meeting
November 12, 2024 – 9:00 a.m.
Edwards Plateau Soil & Water Conservation District Board Room
301 S. Crockett Ave.
Sonora, Texas

Minutes

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

Directors Absent: James Archer

District Staff Present: Meredith Allen and 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

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

No report was given.

5. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Minutes of the October 8, 2024 Board Meeting.

Director Max Howorth made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 8, 2024 Board Meeting with a second by Director Erika Campbell. The motion passed unanimously.

6. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of Bills and Financial Statements for October 2024

Operations Manager Lana Tolleson reviewed the revenue and expenditures for October 2024. Howorth made a motion to approve the October 2024 bills and financial statements. The motion was seconded by Campbell and passed unanimously.

7. Action, Discuss, or Consider Approval of 2024 Tax Roll from Sutton County Appraisal District

Director Butch Taylor made a motion to approve the 2024 Tax Roll from the Sutton County Appraisal District with a second by Howorth. The motion passed unanimously.

8. Action, Discuss or Consider Property Struck off to the Taxing Jurisdictions for Delinquent Property Taxes. The Property being identified as R101033

After a brief discussion, Campbell made a motion to accept the bids received for property R101033 and property R101538 (Agenda item 9). The motion was seconded 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 R101538

See above action

10. Action, Discuss or Consider Approval of 2nd FY 2024-2025 Budget Amendment

After reviewing the increase in the Health Insurance line item and the reduction in the Weather Modification line item, Campbell made a motion to approve the amendments to the 2024-2025 budget. Taylor seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

11. Action, Discuss or Consider Approval of Legal Services Engagement Letter with Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C.

Consulting Manager Meredith Allen presented an Engagement Letter for legal services with Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C. Howorth made a motion to accept the Engagement Letter with a second by Campbell. The motion passed unanimously.

12. Action, Discuss or Consider Approval of District Policy on Prohibited Technologies in Accordance with SB 1893

Allen provided background information about the need for a District policy addressing prohibited technologies in accordance with SB 1893. Campbell made a motion to approve the new policy. The motion was seconded by Howorth and passed unanimously.

13. Consulting Manager’s Comments

- a. 4th Grade Water Fair – November 19th – Allen informed the Directors that we would be participating in the 4th Grade Water Fair sponsored by AgriLife Extension at the Civic Center on November 19th.
- b. Legislative Update – Allen gave the Board a legislative update and reviewed the recent election results.

14. Operations Manager’s Comments

- a. Update on District Activities – Tolleson reported that the FY 2023-2024 audit is progressing with Kuntz, Smith & Co.,P.C. and should be completed in January.
- b. Discussion on December Board Meeting – A Board meeting will be held in December only if there is business to conduct other than approval of financials and minutes. Otherwise, everyone will be invited to meet for a Christmas luncheon on December 10th.

15. Director Comments/Directives to Staff

- a. If a Christmas luncheon is held, post the meeting if a quorum will be present. No business will be conducted.

16. Action, Discuss, or Consider meeting adjournment

Campbell made a motion to adjourn at 10:17 a.m. with a second by Howorth. The motion passed unanimously.

Presiding Officer

Date

Attesting Signature