

IRION COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

November 13, 2023

Members Present: Vice-Chairman of Board; Robert Richey, Sid Sullenger, Pete Barrera, Diana Thomas, General Manger; Ashley Masters, Technician.

Public Present: Macy Hartley, Accountant

The public hearing on the proposed revised Irion County Water Conservation District Rules was opened at 6:03 P.M., by Robert Richey, Vice-Chairman of the Board. No public was in attendance. Technician Ashley Masters stated that no written comments were received by the Irion County Water Conservation District. The public hearing was closed at 6:10 P.M.

The regular meeting was called to order by Robert Richey, Vice-Chairman of the Board.

Pete Barrera moved, and Sid Sullenger seconded to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. Motion carried.

After reviewing the bills as presented by the accountant, Sid Sullenger moved to pay all bills. Bills were standard in attrition to the annual WTRGA invoice. Pete Barrera seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Manager's report included: WTWMA in San Angelo, WWTx3 in Pecos, SHS Senior Class in Sterling City, virtual WTRGA, Region F in Big Spring, and virtual TAGD Executive Committee. The 2023 WTWMA season looks to be over, as is common in October. Two completed financial audits were presented as well as a potential DBA name change to reflect the emphasis on rain enhancement activities. WWTx3 saw a number of great presentations from ongoing research into the San Solomon Springs complex, to RRC rule changes on oil and gas waste pits, to mitigating risk at SWD sites. Diana Thomas spoke to the SHS senior class as a part of their groundwater science unit, sharing classroom applications they are learning to the very water wells that supply their homes. The WTRGA met virtually to discuss renewing the two-year interlocal agreement as well as the consultant agreement with Burklund Consulting. All participants agreed in the continuation of both. Region F met to discuss water availability regionally including a proposed change to the Dockum here in Sterling County based on city well field data. The TAGD Executive Committee met to review year end finances, annual summit performance metrics, and discuss some staffing changes within the legislature.

Well Surveillance included 14 wells that maintained static levels, 1 well measured an increase in water level, 2 wells measured with decreased water levels and 8 wells were unable to obtain measurements. Quarterly rain gauge readout was performed. Rainfall reading varied throughout the county measuring from 4.88 inches to 2.19 inches, 4 rain gauges were not downloaded and 1 will need to be deployed in new location. Average total rainfall for the county was 3.16 for the 3rd quarter.

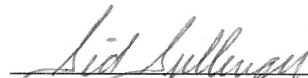
Notice of Intent to Drill was received for Evans for a replacement livestock well. Water quality tests were performed for J. Morris.

Sid Sullenger moved to accept the 2023 Irion County Appraisal Roll. Pete Barrera seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

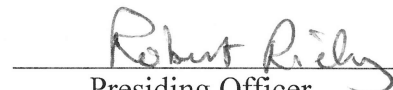
Sid Sullenger moved to approve the Appointment of Custodian of Records and Appointment of Agent for the 2024 board member election. Pete Barrera seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Manager Diana Thomas reviewed the proposed changes to the Irion County Water Conservation District Rules and reviewed the lack of public written and oral comments. Sid Sullenger moved to adopt the Proposed Revised Irion County Water Conservation District Rules as presented. Pete Barrera seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business Sid Sullenger moved and Pete Barrera seconded to adjourn at 7:09 PM.



Attesting Signature



Presiding Officer

Date: 2/12/2024