## IRION COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

## May 13, 2024

Members Present: Chairman of Board Bill Whitley, Robert Richey, Sid Sullenger,

General Manager Diana Thomas, and Technician Ashley Masters

Visitors Present: Macy Hartley, Accountant

The meeting was called to order at 6:03 P.M. by Bill Whitley, Chairman of the Board.

Robert Richey moved, and Sid Sullenger seconded to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. The motion carried.

After reviewing the bills as presented by the accountant, Sid Sullenger moved to transfer \$7,400 from the MMDA to the checking account and to pay all bills. Bills included standard monthly bills, 940 IRS back-payments, and Standard Times annual subscription. Due to her ongoing work with the IRS on the missed 940 payments from prior to her contract, Macy Hartley was awarded an additional payment above her standard monthly check. Sid Sullenger seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Manager's report included: WTWMA in San Angelo, TAGD HR webinar, TAGD virtual Executive Committee meeting, and TAGD Summit Planning Committee virtual meeting. Weather Mod is getting to a slow start due to quiet weather patterns from a neutral ENSO phase. There are now three salaried pilots. The HR webinar covered many laws and best practices for employers with more employees than one, but it was still a good guide for staff. The TAGD Executive Committee held its first meeting with new director Adam Foster. Interim charges were discussed as well as committees to watch. The TAGD Conference Planning meeting was attended by Ashley and covered the approval of keynote speakers, forum topics and speakers, and panelists.

Well Surveillance included well water levels for 20 monitor wells throughout county, 9 wells remained at static level, 8 wells had decreased water levels, and 3 wells measured an increase in water levels.

Rain gauges were downloaded for the complete first quarter, 20 units were downloaded, 8 units had logging errors, rainfall through county varied from 0.29 to 2.46 inches. Condition of aging infrastructure, data collection and data correlation was discussed.

Water quality testing was performed for W. McCullough, P. Shannon, and C. Huelster. The well camera was utilized for 2 wells for Patrick Shannon, and one well for Eric Pena.

A Notice of Intent to Drill was received for McMillian - replacement livestock well, B. Williams – replacement livestock well, and M. Winger – rework/deepen livestock well.

After review and consideration of the applications, Sid Sullenger moved to award the following scholarships: Major Conner as the recipient of the Vicki Tankersley Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000.00; Katherine Casey, Kaylynn Hart, Cameron Feller, and Audrey Tillman as the recipients of the Irion County Water Conservation District Progressive Scholarship in the amount of \$500 each. Robert Richey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business Sid Sullenger moved and Robert Richey seconded to adjourn at 7:21 PM.

Attesting Signature

**Presiding Officer** 

Date: 7/8/2024