## IRION COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

## November 11, 2024

Members Present: Chairman of Board; Bill Whitley, Robert Richey, Sid Sullenger, James Furr, Pete Barrera, Diana Thomas, General Manager, and Ashley Masters, Technician.

Visitors Present: Macy Hartley, Accountant, James Green, FFA Advisor, Savanah Vinson, Layne Green, Anna McConaughey, Asa Green, Scarlet Parker, members of FFA Ag Forum Team

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

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

After reviewing the bills, as presented by Macy Hartley, accountant, Pete Barrera moved to pay all bills. Monthly bills were standard in addition to Director Bond renewals. Sid Sullenger seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

The Manager's report included: TAGD HR Webinar and TAGD Executive Committee Retreat in College Station. TAGD concluded their 4-part HR webinar series with the topic of interviews and hiring. The TAGD Executive Committee met in College Station for two days of intensive work looking at the future of the organization, giving the new Executive Director direction and clarification, working out budget issues from the past year, and brainstorming new program development. A quick post-election analysis was presented highlighting the new republican and democrat seat count for the Texas house and senate.

Well surveillance for the county had 10 monitor wells measured maintaining at static, 6 monitor wells had decreased water levels, and 4 monitor wells were not measured. Rain gauge quarterly data was given in the form of handout to directors for discussion which included equipment malfunctions and maintenance options for the entire network.

A Notice of Intent to Drill was received for the Rocker B for a replacement livestock well, Rocker B for plugging of two wells, J. Furr new livestock well, Sugg Switch Ranch new livestock well\*, Texana Ranch replacement livestock well, and Gregg Ranch replacement livestock well. A change of use was received by C. Tankersley for change of livestock well to irrigation.

No water quality tests were performed.

Diana Thomas presented the engagement letter from Cole Ruiz at Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C. which echoed the terms proposed in their RFQ response. Robert Richey moved

to accept the engagement letter from Lloyd Gosselink Rochelle & Townsend, P.C. for Legal Services and to enter into the agreement by signature. James Furr seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

After discussion, Sid Sullenger moved to adopt by resolution the *Code of Ethics and Policies* Relating to Travel Expenditures, District Investments, Professional Services, and Fiscal Management and reaffirm the General Manager as the Investment Officer. Per legislative requirement, a new prohibited covered applications (like Tiktok) policy was adopted. Pete Barrera seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

A presentation was made by the Irion County High School FFA Agricultural Issues Forum Team on Water Issues. Discussion with questions and answers followed.

There being no further business Sid Sullenger moved and Robert Richey seconded to adjourn at 7:33 PM.

**Attesting Signature** 

**Presiding Officer** 

Date: 1-13-2525