## IRION COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

## March 13, 2023

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

Visitor Present: Macy Hartley, Accountant. No other members of public in attendance.

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 P.M. by Bill Whitley, Chairman of the Board.

Robert Richey moved, and Sid Sullenger seconded to accept the minutes of the prior meeting. The motion passed unanimously.

District accountant Macy presented the regular monthly bills including the bi-annual WTWMA assessment and the bi-annual creek survey analysis. After reviewing the bills as presented, Pete Barrera moved to transfer \$18,500 from the MMDA to the checking account and to pay all bills. Sid Sullenger seconded, and the motion passed unanimously. Staff discussed field equipment updates needed including a reader to be shared with the SCUWCD and a new transducer to be deployed in ICWCD.

Manager's report included: RMBJGeo Training in Sterling City, Region F in Big Spring, Virtual TAGD Bootcamp, Cybersecurity Training, Legislative Meeting, Streamline Sales Pitch, and SAWRA Committee Hearing, and TAGD Business Meeting and Legislative Meeting in Pflugerville. Amy with RMBJGeo provided training at the Sterling office on updating the spreadsheets for the well monitor network that allow for evaluation of management to the DFC. Region F consultants reviewed the estimated irrigation water use and mining water use numbers for the next regional water plan. Efforts are being undertaken to have Ashley replace Scott as the alternate voting member to Rhetta Hector representing GMA 7. The make-up TAGD Bootcamp for Elections and Taxation was held virtually. It was a great learning experience with some necessary alterations identified for staff to implement. TAGD 2023 Cybersecurity Awareness Training was completed by District Technician, Ashley Masters. A local government website service out of California scheduled a sales pitch with staff; although some features were cool, the increased price is not justified for our local use. The House and Senate committees are getting ready to begin hearing all the 7,800 or so bills that have been filed. Staff are diligently watching a handful of water and election bills, some new and some refiled, as they work through the legislative process. The make-up TAGD meeting in Pflugerville was briefed by Adam Foster with TDLR on well drilling standards, as well as from GCDs and industry on additional

considerations in setting well standards. A legal panel reviewed all filed legislation affecting GCDs, provided a bit of insight and analysis, and even made a few predictions. Senator Charles Perry has already successfully passed his Ch. 36 omnibus legislation out of the Senate Ag, Water, and Rural Affairs committee, and is likely to zoom out of the Senate as well.

Well Surveillance for February throughout Irion had 4 wells remaining at static levels, 6 wells showed decreased water levels and 8 wells showed increased water levels. Two new wells were added this month to the monitor network.

Water quality analysis was performed for B. Wilson.

During the regular Semi-Annual Creek Survey Rocky crossing was dry, due to recent moisture the creek was running so analysis was completed.

Notice of Intent to Drill was received for: (3) MEI Arden LLC for Rig Supply oil/gas in the Dockum (brackish).

Sid Sullenger motioned to approve the Assistance to the Irion County Commissioners in the Review and Assessment of Groundwater Availability Certificates for Subdivision Plats. Robert Richey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Sid Sullenger motioned to approve the Oasis Water Well Permit Renewal located at Parcel 153, Blk 31, Lots 4-8, 12-16, for no more than 161 acre feet per year of brackish water Pete Barrera seconded, and motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business James Furr moved and Robert Richey seconded to adjourn at 7:53 PM.

Attesting Signature

Bill White

Date: 47-10-2022