IRION COUNTY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD MEETING
October 12, 2026

Members Present: Chairman of the Board Bill Whitley, Robert Richey, Sid Sullenger, General Manager Diana Thomas, and Technician Ashley Masters

Public Present: Accountant Macy Hartley, Clay Thorp, and Leon Standard

The meeting was called to order at 6:01 PM by Bill Whitley, Chairman of the Board.

No public in attendance made comment.

Sid Sullenger moved and Robert Richey seconded to accept the minutes of the previous meeting with a minor grammatical edit. The motion carried.

Accountant Macy Hartley presented the financial report and bills to the Board. The bills included standard monthly bills, director mileage reimbursement, and annual insurance premiums. After reviewing the bills as presented, Sid Sullenger moved to pay all bills and transfer $16,500 from the MM account. Robert Richey seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

In response to Board questions on the Investment Officer Statement of Disclosure received back in July and a desire to ensure transparent government functions, Diana Thomas presented the Board with drafted Board Member Statement of Disclosures. Each Board member completed a Statement of Disclosure if they banked at the same bank as the district. These forms will be kept on file at the District office and updated as needed.

The Manager's report included: House Energy Resource Committee virtual hearing, TAGD Information and Education Committee virtual meeting, and WWTX6 in Pecos. The House Energy Resource Committee virtual hearing highlighted a rift between the legislature and the RRC over recent rule making removing public comment opportunities. Ideas about how to prevent orphaned wells was discussed including increased bonding, no blanket bonds, no indefinite plugging deferrals, and more. The TAGD Information and Education Committee virtual meeting reviewed upcoming possible legislative requirements for continuing education of board members, water reuse information available through Texas Water Trade, and development of a Realtor course for groundwater districts to educate local realtors. The WWTX6 event in Pecos discussed data centers, produced water, and zombie wells. Videos and Q&A will be posted to the Reeves Co GCD homepage.

Monitor well surveillance for September was presented to the directors. A number of wells were highlighted for either significant increase or decrease in water level, as well as one windmill with a significant leak. A few wells were missed due to Diana not knowing where they were, but Ashley is expected to be medically released to be back in the field later this month.

A Notice of Intent to Drill was received for C. Frizzel for two livestock wells, Stoney Creek Ranch for two livestock wells, Rocky Creek Land Holdings for one domestic well, and Hobbs for one replacement domestic well.

Diana Thomas presented the *Code of Ethics and Policies Relating to Travel Expenditures, District Investments, Professional Services, and Fiscal Management*. No changes in the policy are being proposed. Sid Sullenger re-adopted by resolution the *Code of Ethics and Policies Relating to Travel Expenditures, District Investments, Professional Services, and Fiscal Management* and re-appointment of Diana Thomas as Investment Officer. Robert Richey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Investment Officer Diana Thomas presented the 2026 Q3 Investment Report to the Board. Sid Sullenger moved to receive the 2026 Q3 Investment Report. The recently renewed 6 month Cd interest rate was highlighted as having increased. Robert Richey seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Robert Richey moved to accept the most recent drought index, indicating worsening drought in the region. Sid Sullenger seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

There being no further business Robert Richey moved and Sid Sullenger seconded to adjourn at 7:01 PM.

Attesting Signature

Presiding Officer

Date: 11/9/2026