# **Regular Meeting Minutes**

Date: September 12, 2024

Time: 6:00 PM

Place: 110 W California Street, Texas, 76380

### **Directors Present**

David Albus, President Chris Orsak, Secretary Jimmy Burson Jerry Bob Daniel Jim Cowsert Ross Short

## **Directors Absent**

Michael Adams Loy Studer, Vice-President Freddie Livingston, Jr

### **District Staff Present**

Lynn Smith, PG, General Manager Amy Bush, PG, RMBJGeo

## **Regular Meeting**

The regular meeting was called to order by David Albus, Board President at 6:01 PM.

The minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held on August 15, 2024, were reviewed for accuracy and completeness. Following review, a motion was made by Chris and seconded by Jerry Bob to approve the minutes, as written. Motion carried by unanimous vote.

The Financial Statements for August 2024 were presented along with the Investment Report. Following review and discussion, a motion was made by Chris and seconded by Ross to approve the financial statements as presented. Motion carried.

Permits 124, 125, 126, 127, 147, and an unnumbered Ronnie Stewart permit was presented by Lynn Smith, General Manager with no irregularities reported except for the lack of a number being issued. Motion to approve the permit was made by Jimmy, second Chris, all ayes and motion passed.

Lynn presented the Manager's Report. He briefly discussed the Groundwater Summit, and a visit made to Senator Perry's office by Amy and him. Lynn discussed the recent GMA 6 meeting hosted by the District. He stated that Lily Gann had been interviewed by Amy, Loy, and he and that she had accepted the position of Conservation Technician to start around October 1, 2024. Lynn briefly discussed the status of the MAR program, and the various grants received and being sought.

Amy Bush presented an analysis of the District's water levels as well as an analysis of its Desired Future Condition statements. She answered various questions regarding each.

The Directors considered the following items prior to adopting a tax rate: the outstanding obligations of the District; the amount of cash on hand to the credit of each fund of the District; the amount of money received by the District from all sources during the previous year; the amount of money available to the District from all sources during the ensuing year; balance expected at the end of the year in which the budget is being prepared; the estimated amount of revenues and

year-end balance available to cover the proposed budget; and the estimated tax rate or fee revenues that will be required to support the adopted budget. After considering the said items, Jerry Bob Daniel moved to adopt by resolution the ad valorem tax rate on 0.028502 dollars per hundred-dollar valuation. Chris Orsak seconded the motion. Directors voting for the motion were David Albus, Chris Orsak, Jim Cowsert, Jimmy Burson, Ross Short and Jerry Bob Daniel. With all Directors present voting for the motion and none opposed, the motion passed.

After some discussion, Jerry Bob moved to authorize by separate resolutions the President and Vice-President together to negotiate and finalize Contracts for the acquisition of the West Weinert Site, North Rochester Site, North Gilliland Site, and the 2407 Site. Second by Chris, all ayes and motion passed.

Jerry Bob moved to readopt by resolution, the District's Investment Policy, second by Chris, all ayes and motion passed.

After some discussion, no action was taken to update the District's Employee Policy. It was suggested that the proposed changes be sent to the Directors for review prior to the next meeting.

Chris moved to adopt by resolution, the District's Policy manual, second by Jim, all ayes and motion passed.

Jim Cowsert moved to keep the Director and Employee bonds at a level of \$10,000 each and that among the employees, only the General Manager needs to be bonded. Second by Ross, all ayes and motion passed.

The next meeting was set for December 12, 2024, at 6 PM in Seymour, TX.

Motion to adjourn was made by Jimmy Burson and seconded by Chris Orsak, all ayes. The meeting was adjourned at 7:32 PM.

Minutes were approved on 12-12-2024 at a regular Board meeting.

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