STERLING COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

February 10, 2025

Members present:

Chairman Jack Clark, Kade Hodges, Evan Canady, and General Manager

Diana Thomas.

Visitors present: none

The meeting was called to order at 1:00 P.M. by Jack Clark, Chairman of the Board.

Kade Hodges moved to accept the minutes of the previous meetings. Evan Canady seconded the motion and it carried.

General Manager, Diana Thomas, presented the bills to the Board. Bills included regular monthly bills, building lock repair, and our portion of Telicon website services. Due to illness some financial reports from the TAC have been delayed. After reviewing the bills as presented, Evan Canady moved to transfer \$6,500 from the MMDA to the checking account and to pay all bills. Kade Hodges seconded, and the motion passed.

The Manager's report included: TAGD business meeting and Legislative committee meeting in Austin, WTWMA in San Angelo, virtual meeting with Crockett Co. UWCD legal council and Rainmakers, special board meetings in Mertzon and Sterling City, and virtual AG grant webinar. The TAGD regular business meeting had a speaker from AES to talk about water implications of hydrogen production that was incredibly informative. The TWDB also announced that the release date of the new ET model has been pushed back again. WTWMA reported on a drier than average December with ENSO neutral conditions to return for summer. Rainmakers pitched their proposed contract which was approved pending member district approvals. Diana Thomas spent time hammering out contract details with Rainmakers and legal council which was presented in special meetings to both ICWCD and SCUWCD. The TWDB reviewed their AG grant opportunity that is currently accepting applications. It is a reimbursable program, in which the District would have to create and operate its own conservation program first, which does not seem to be the highest and best use of limited staff resources.

Water levels for District monitor wells measured in January were presented. No Notice of Intent to Drill was received for the month.

After presentation of the permit application and review of the map attachments, Evan Canady moved to approve the application for a water sales permit for Fred Thompson located at Abstract 1106, Section 8 for no more than 12 acre-feet of water per year. Kade Hodges seconded, and the motion passed unanimously.

Kade Hodges moved to Order the General Election. Evan Canady seconded, and the motion passed.

There being no further business Kade Hodges moved and Evan Canady seconded to adjourn at 2:00 PM.

Attesting Signature

Presiding Officer

Date: 3-10-2025