

SANTA RITA UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

September 17, 2024

District Office, 108 HWY 67 West

Meeting Minutes

Members present: Casey Davidson, Rusty Adams, Mike Vargas, Bradley Bynum, Chase McPhaul

Others present: JJ Weatherby-District Manager

Call to Order: Casey Davidson, Board President called the REGULAR meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Any person wishing to speak to the board will be allowed 5 minutes: None.

Approve minutes from the August 6, 2024, regular board meeting: After reviewing the minutes, Rusty Adams made a motion to approve the minutes with a second from Chase McPhaul. Motion carried unanimously.

Pay bills and discuss District Finances: After reviewing financial reports, Mike Vargas motioned to approve and pay the bills with a second from Bradley Bynum. Motion carried unanimously.

West Texas Weather Modification Association: More of the same for WTWMA. Predicting a less than average rainfall for the year. We should be in a La Nina state toward October.

Amend 2023-2024 Budget: We needed to amend the budget line for liability insurance since that ended up being higher than we had anticipated. The adopted amount was \$2500 and we increased it to \$4550.14. The next line item we had to increase was maintenance/repairs. We had to cut down several dead trees around the office that were not safe, that busted that line and we had adopted \$4000 and amended to \$8000. Motion was made by Mike Vargas and seconded by Chase McPhaul. Motion carried unanimously.

Adopt year 2024-2025 Budget: The board set to adopt the proposed budget of 183054.34. A motion was made by Rusty Adams and seconded by Chase McPhaul. Motion passed unanimously.

Adopt fiscal year 2024-2025 Tax Rate- The board set to adopt proposed the tax rate of .002092 per \$100 value to meet our budget goals. Motion was made by Bradly Bynum and seconded by Mike Vargas. Motion passed unanimously.

Approve Certified Appraisal Roll- The board moved to approve the certified appraisal roll of \$8,750,207,686. Motion was made by Chase McPhaul and seconded by Bradly Bynum. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Discounts: The board moved to approve discounts for early pay on taxes. Motion was made by Chase McPhaul and seconded by Bradly Bynum. Motion carried unanimously.

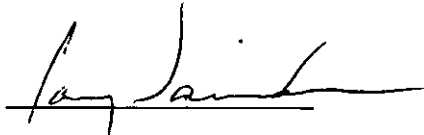
Approve no other local options: The board approved no other local options. Motion was made by Chase McPhaul and seconded by Bradly Bynum. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Tax roll: The board approved the tax roll. Motion was made by Chase McPhaul and seconded by Bradly Bynum. Motion carried unanimously.

Approve Cynthia Aguilar as Tax Collector: The board approved Cynthia Aguilar as the tax collector for FY 24/25. Motion was made by Chase McPhaul and seconded by Bradly Bynum. Motion carried unanimously.

Manager's Report: JJ told the board that we are working on our management plan getting it ready to send in. Reeves County will be holding their annual Waters of the West meeting in Pecos. We will be attending that. There has been speculation that a hydrogen facility could potentially be going in somewhere on UT Lands. We will keep working to see what we can learn and help with the groundwater aspect.

Adjourn: With no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:16 pm, with a motion from Bradly Bynum and a second from Mike Vargas. Motion carried unanimously.



Presiding Officer



Attesting Signature