

MENARD COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER DISTRICT
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
April 12, 2023

Pursuant to notice posted in accordance with law, the Board of Directors of the Menard County Underground Water District held a meeting at 1:00 p.m. in the Menard County Courthouse, 2nd floor, 206 E. San Saba, Menard, Texas. Directors present were Mark Blau, Jay Kothmann, Sheridan Duncan and Jim Wright. Director absent was Dick Winters. Staff members present were Meredith Allen, and Lydia Damon.

1. President Sheridan Duncan called the meeting to order at 2:11 pm after establishing a quorum.
2. No public comment was heard.
3. Following the review of the February 15, 2023 minutes, Jim Wright made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Mark Blau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
4. Lydia Damon presented the Financial Report. Jay Kothmann made a motion to approve the financial report. Jim Wright seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Lydia Damon presented the payment of the bills for the previous months. Jim Wright made a motion to approve the expenses, Mark Blau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Meredith Allen presented the Quarterly Investment Report. A motion was made by Jim Wright to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Mark Blau. The motion carried unanimously.
7. Meredith Allen presented the Request for Professional Services Related to a Financial Audit and Report of Finances responses. A motion was made by Mark Blau to engage Kuntz, Smith, & Co., PC for financial audit services. The motion was seconded by Jim Wright. Discussion about qualifications, references of all respondents. The motion carried unanimously.
8. Approval for prize money for Menard Independent School District soil and water conservation essay & poster winners was discussed prior to item number 5, payment of bills. A motion was made by Jay Kothmann to approve prize money for winners of the Soil & Water Conservation essay & poster contest, total of \$900. The motion was seconded by Mark Blau. The motion approved unanimously
9. A motion was made by Jim Wright to approve the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the May 6, 2023 Election for two At-Large positions on the Board of Directors. The motion was seconded by Jay Kothmann. The motion carried unanimously.
10. A motion was made by Mark Blau for the cancellation of the May 6, 2023 Election for two At-Large positions on the Board of Directors. The candidates have been certified as unopposed and are hereby elected. The motion was seconded by Jim Wright. The motion carried unanimously.
11. Meredith Allen reported that the Staff and Board of Directors are required by the Texas Alliance of Groundwater Districts (TAGD) to complete Cybersecurity Training. The training will be completed and certificates filed. No action required.
12. Meredith Allen provided a review of the well registration report and drought update. No action taken.
13. The monitor wells report was reviewed. No action taken.
14. Manager's Comments: a. Update on the Ditch and TWDB Grant 2021: Awaiting final construction approval for the head gate. Possible begin construction mid-September. Several bills are being monitored during the current legislative session. b. GMA7-no update. c. Certification and cancellation of the election as directed above d. Directives to Staff:

The Jeep will need replacement tires soon, budgeted expense under vehicle maintenance; consider action next month for a vehicle sharing Interlocal Agreement with Kimble County.

15. Jay Kothmann made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Mark Blau. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

S J Duncan
Presiding Officer