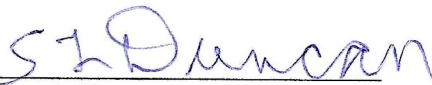


MENARD COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER DISTRICT
Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors
July 10, 2024

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

1. Board President Dr. Sheridan Duncan called the meeting to order at 2:45 pm after establishing a quorum.
2. No public comment was heard.
3. Following the review of the May 8, 2024 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. Mark Blau 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, Jay Kothmann seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Meredith Allen presented the Quarterly Investment Report for the second quarter of 2024. A motion was made by Dick Winters to approve the report. The motion was seconded by Jim Wright. The motion carried unanimously.
7. Meredith Allen provided a brief overview of the MCUWD Investment Policy. Change from previously adopted policy was to update fiscal year. After review of the policy, Jim Wright made a motion to approve and adopt the policy as presented. Dick Winters seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
8. Statement of Disclosure forms, as required by the Investment Policy, were provided and completed by all Board members.
9. Meredith Allen presented the Quarterly Well Registration Report. No action taken.
10. Meredith Allen presented the monthly monitor wells report and the quarterly drought report. Anticipating more drought conditions. No action taken
11. Meredith Allen presented the Quarterly Rainfall update. Rainfall reported at the Menard County Courthouse for the second quarter of 2024 was 5.504 inches. No action taken.
12. Meredith Allen presented the MCUWD website. Discussion about changing photo from the San Saba River to something more associated with UWD. Meredith will change the photo. No action taken.
13. A motion was made by Dick Winters to approve and publish the Menard County Underground Water District's website, www.menardcountyuwd.org . The motion was seconded by Mark Blau. The motion carried unanimously.
14. A motion was made by Mark Blau to approve the Request for Qualifications for General Counsel and Related Legal Services. The notice will be posted in The Menard News and on the TAGD website. The motion was seconded by Jay Kothmann. The motion carried unanimously.
15. Meredith Allen spoke of issues with non-compliant wells in some subdivisions in Menard County. Several emails have been sent to the Property Owner's Association about this matter with no follow-up to comply with MCUWD Rules. A motion was made by Jay Kothmann to engage the District's legal counsel for advice on how to bring these wells into compliance. The motion was seconded by Dick Winters. The motion carried unanimously.

16. The Board discussed the status of the current District Jeep, and how to plan for the future upgrade. Discussion was held on how to reflect planning for a future purchase of a vehicle in the proposed budget. No action was taken.
17. The Board entered Executive Session at 3:30 pm for Deliberations about Personnel Matters: In Accordance with Texas Government Code 551.074.
18. The Board reconvened into Open Session at 3:36 pm.
19. The Board reviewed the 2024-2025 Draft Budget. A motion was made by Mark Blau to increase compensation for staff over proposed budget. The motion was seconded by Jay Kothmann. The motion carried unanimously. Jay Kothmann made a motion to give MCWCID #1 and additional \$10,000 this fiscal year and up the annual amount to \$40,000 for the next three years to aid in meeting matching funds for grants, as allowable per the Interlocal Agreement between MCWCID #1 and MCUWD. The motion was seconded by Dick Winters. The motion carried unanimously. After these changes were made, Dick Winters made a motion to approve the proposed budget and set for public hearing in August. The motion was seconded by Mark Blau. The motion carried unanimously.
20. Update on the Rules Review Workshop was provided. The Rules are under review by Bill Dugat, MCUWD legal counsel, with Bickerstaff Heath Delgado. A motion was made by Jay Kothmann to set the proposed rules for hearing once Mr. Dugat completed his review. The motion was seconded by Mark Blau and carried unanimously.
21. Manager's Comments: a. Update on the Ditch: An 18-wheeler ran a trailer into the Ditch on May 31st. An insurance claim has been filed and quotes for repair have been obtained. b. Update on In-stream Flow application for WR 14-1811: completed c. Update on potential groundwater projects: Alice Hernandez request for a non-exempt well will be set for public hearing in August. d. Directives to Staff: None
22. Mark Blau made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dick Winters. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 3:49 p.m.



Presiding Officer