MENARD COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER DISTRICT Public Hearings & Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors August 9, 2023

Pursuant to notice posted in accordance with law, the Board of Directors of the Menard County Underground Water District held a Public Hearing on the Proposed 2022-2023 Budget at 2:00 pm at the Menard Bank Community Room, 201 Ellis, Menard, Texas.

Directors present were Sheridan Duncan, Mark Blau, Jim Wright, Jay Kothmann and Dick Winters.

Board President Sheridan Duncan called the hearing to order at 2:00 pm after establishing a quorum.

No public comments were heard regarding the proposed budget. The public hearing was adjourned at 2:15 pm.

Pursuant to notice posted in accordance with law, the Board of Directors of the Menard County Underground Water District held a meeting at 2:15 p.m. at the Menard Bank Community Room, 201 Ellis, Menard, Texas. Directors Present were Dr. Sheridan Duncan, Mark Blau, Jim Wright, Jay Kothmann and Dick Winters. Staff Present was Meredith Allen and Lydia Damon.

- 1. Board President Sheridan Duncan called the meeting to order at 2:15 pm after establishing a quorum.
- 2. No public comment was heard.
- 3. Following the review of the July 12, 2023 minutes, Mark Blau made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Jim Wright seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 4. Lydia Damon presented the Financial Report. Jim Wright made a motion to approve the financial report. Mark Blau seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- 5. Lydia Damon presented the payment of the bills for the previous month. Mark Blau made a motion to approve the expenses, Dick Winters seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
- Mark Blau made a motion to approve the 2023-2024 Budget. The motion was seconded by Jay Kothmann. The motion carried unanimously.
- 7. After reviewing the Tax Rate Worksheet, Jay Kothmann made a motion to propose the Tax Rate for 2023-2024 at the Voter Approval Rate of \$0.06374. The motion was seconded by Jim Wright. The motion carried unanimously.
- 8. Meredith Allen provided a brief presentation on Legislative changes to District Rules. No action taken.
- 9. Following the presentation of the Legislative changes from the 88th Regular Session to the District Rules, Jay Kothmann made a motion to approve and set for public hearing the proposed changes. The motion was seconded by Mark Blau. The motion carried unanimously.
- 10. The By Laws of the San Saba River Trust were discussed in a joint workshop with Menard County Water Control & Improvement District #1. Jay Kothmann made a motion to approve final draft from the joint workshop. The motion was seconded by Mark Blau. The motion carried unanimously.
- 11. The monitor wells report was reviewed. No action taken.
- 12. Meredith Allen provided a brief quarterly drought update. No action taken.
- 13. Manager's Comments: a. Update on the Ditch and TWDB Grant 2021: No new updates; a 4-H Water Ambassador presentation was completed on August 1st. b. GMA7- meeting on Thursday, July 27, 2023 was successful;

management plans were reviewed c. Directives to Staff: Research vehicle replacement options through government vehicle programs; present options at the September meeting.

14. Jim Wright made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Dick Winters. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:47 p.m.

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Presiding Officer