

MENARD COUNTY UNDERGROUND WATER DISTRICT  
Public Hearings & Minutes of the Meeting of the Board of Directors  
September 14, 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 2023-2024 Tax Rate at 2:00 pm at the Menard County Courthouse, 206 E. San Saba, Menard, Texas.**

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

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 tax rate. 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 County Courthouse, 206 E. San Saba, Menard, Texas. Directors Present were Dr. Sheridan Duncan, Jim Wright, Jay Kothmann and Dick Winters. Director Absent was Mark Blau. 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 August 9, 2023 minutes, Jim Wright made a motion to accept the minutes as written, Dick Winters seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
4. Lydia Damon presented the Financial Report. Jim Wright made a motion to approve the financial report. Dick Winters seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
5. Lydia Damon presented the payment of the bills for the previous month. Jay Kothmann made a motion to approve the expenses, Jim Wright seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.
6. Dick Winters made a motion to adopt the 2022-2023 Amended Budget. The motion was seconded by Jim Wright. The motion carried unanimously.
7. Jay Kothmann made a motion to approve 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. A motion was made by Jay Kothmann to table The Nature Conservancy water right lease; lease not ready for review and approval. The motion was seconded by Dick Winters. The motion carried unanimously.
9. The monitor wells report was reviewed. No action taken.
10. Meredith Allen provided a brief monthly drought update. No action taken.
11. Manager's Comments: a. Update on the Ditch and TWDB Grant 2021: Headgate construction to start soon, material costs have increased. b. GMA7- no update. c. Directives to Staff: Begin work on website, which is now required; update on legislative happenings in Austin; review options for insurance coverage on the Jeep, is full coverage required, or just liability only.
12. Dick Winters made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Jay Kothmann. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 2:55 p.m.

  
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Presiding Officer