



**MINUTES OF THE**  
**Hemphill County Underground Water Conservation District**  
Board Meeting  
March 19, 2020, @ 5:30 P.M  
*Hemphill County UWCD District Board Room*

The Hemphill County Underground Water Conservation District Board met with the following in attendance: Marty Carr, Elizabeth Light, Spencer Hanes and Beth Ramp Sturgeon

Others Present: Janet Guthrie-General Manager, Ray Brady- Hydrologist and Laurie Ezzell-Editor Canadian Record

Members Absent: Jim Haley

**1) ESTABLISHMENT OF A QUORUM**

Following roll call Vice President Marty Carr established a quorum of the Board was present and called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m. on 03-19-2020

**2)Public Comment**

None

**3) Consent Agenda**

(a) Review and Approval of Minutes of Board Meeting held as follows

February 18, 2020

Action: Motioned by Spence Hanes and seconded by Beth Ramp Sturgeon to approve Consent Agenda Item

3 (a).

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**4)Action Agenda-These items may not have been addressed in the order in which they are listed:**

(b) Approve Management Report from General Manager, discussing recent meetings attended, well Registrations and permits acted on by the General Manager, status of any administratively

Incomplete applications, field and water quality lab activity report, activities related to District's

Education program, status of unresolved protests to Salt-Water Disposal Wells filed with the

RRC, rainfall information, voluntary metering program, RRC Voluntary Remediation Project Update

Action: Motioned by Elizabeth Light and seconded by Beth Ramp Sturgeon to approve the management report for February 2020.

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**(c) Meet with Ray Brady to discuss and possible action on Status Report**

**FY 2020 STATUS REPORT: February-March 2020**

**FY 2020 WORK COMPLETED**

1. Task 1.a.1 Received water level measurements, began work on hydrographs, summary report & well history table
2. Task 1.c.1. Meeting March
3. Task 1.c.2. Water Quality, methane topics; water level measurement questions; on call March
4. Continue updating red bed map, and associated saturated thickness map

**NEXT PERIOD**

1. Continue updating red bed map, and associated saturated thickness map
2. Meetings as scheduled
3. Continue work on hydrographs and water level tracking reports
4. Other tasks as requested

**PAYMENT REQUESTS**

**FY 2020**

Task 1.c On Meetings, methane response

Action: Beth Ramp Sturgeon asked Hydrologist Ray Brady “In looking at the predevelopment slide from the management report, why do some counties have more draw down than others?” Ray response, “Some is related to elevation, lack of irrigation or municipal use and demand. The aquifer materials in Hemphill County are probably looser and allows more infiltration than an unconfined aquifer.” Action: Motioned by Spencer Hanes and seconded by Beth Ramp Sturgeon for the board to accept the status report and authorize payment of \$600.00.

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**(d)Accept Certification of Unopposed Candidates**

Action: Motioned by Elizabeth Light and seconded by Spencer Hanes for the board to accept the Certification of unopposed candidates as presented by Secretary Elizabeth Light.

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**(e) Issue Order of Cancellation for Election to have been held May 2, 2020**

Action: Motioned by Spencer Hanes and seconded by Beth Ramp Sturgeon for the board to issue the order of cancellation to cancel the general election scheduled to be held May 2, 2020, in accordance with Section 2.053 (a) of the Texas Election Code and declare the unopposed candidates of Spencer Hanes and Beth Sturgeon.

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**(f) Legislative Work session**

Action: No Action

**(g) Approve legislative position statement**

Action: Motioned by Elizabeth Light and seconded by Spencer Hanes for the board to table Agenda Item 4 (g) Approve Legislative Position Statement until it is completed and can be brought back before the board.

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**(h) Approve Financial Reports and Ratify Bills paid for January 2020**

Action: Motioned by Beth Ramp Sturgeon and seconded by Elizabeth Light for the board to accept the financial reports, and ratify the bills paid in January 2020.

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**(i) Design Build Committee Update and Act on Design Build Proposal**

Action: Motioned by Spencer Hanes and seconded by Beth Ramp Sturgeon for the board to select Jim Seybert Homes as the top finalist in the design build office project and authorize the design build subcommittee to continue negotiations of a contract and obtain a final guaranteed maximum construction price.

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**(j) Independent Architect Contract**

Action: Motioned by Spencer Hanes and seconded by Beth Ramp Sturgeon for the board to approve Owner's Representative Agreement with Lynn Ramsey for a term of 8 months and maximum cost of \$38,400.00.

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**5) Discussion Agenda**

**(k) Discuss Items for Future Board Meeting Agenda and Set Next Meeting Date and Time**

Action: The next meeting date will be April 14, 2020 @ 5:30 pm.

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

**6) Adjournment**

Action: Motioned by Beth Ramp Sturgeon and seconded by Spencer Hanes to adjourn @ 6:15 pm on March 19, 2020

Vote: 4-0 In Favor

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Marty Carr, Vice President

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Elizabeth Light, Secretary