

June 9, 2022  
San Benito, Texas 78586

The Board of Directors of Cameron County Irrigation District #2 met in regular session in the office of the District upon the above date at 9:00 a.m.

The following Directors were present: Sam Simmons, Brady Taubert, William Goad, Buck Rhyner, and Lupe Argullin. Also present were Sonia Lambert, General Manager, and Buddy Dossett, Attorney.

There was no public comment.

A motion was made by William Goad, seconded by Brady Taubert, and upon unanimous vote, passed to approve the minutes of the regular meetings of May 9 and May 12, 2022.

The water report was made by William Goad, who reported that Falcon Reservoir contains 477,508 acre-feet of water of the normal conservation 2,646,817 acre-feet. The Amistad Reservoir contains 856,110 acre-feet of water of the normal conservation 3,275,532 acre-feet which 29.29% is U.S. total conservation capacity compared to 39.63% this time last year. As of June 9, 2022, District's usable and storage water balances are 40,580.2529 acre-feet. This time last year, usable and storage water balances were 43,771.5448.

The Manager informed the Board that Mr. Jose Angel Gomez was mowing the district's piped Canal 8. When approached that he was not authorized to mow district's property, he requested for authorization to mow the piped canal 8 right-of-way in exchange for keeping the area clean. After discussion, a motion was made by William Goad, seconded by Brady Taubert, and upon unanimous vote, passed to authorize Mr. Jose Angel Gomez to mow the piped Lateral 8 Canal subject to Mr. Gomez providing liability insurance, naming the District as insured. Motion carried.

The Board and Manager, recognizing the requirement of HB 3834/Government Code Section 2054.519B, to complete cyber awareness training, viewed the training provided in the TML website.

The Manager reported to the Board that the developer of Mid Resaca Subdivision requested the district release a 20-foot easement in Lots 5, 9, and 10 of Block 85 of the San Benito Land and Water Company Subdivision, (shown in a survey provided along with metes and bounds and filed in the supplement book #22). After discussion and acknowledgement that the 20-foot easement is no longer required and can be abandoned, a motion was made by William Goad, seconded by Brady Taubert, and upon unanimous vote, passed to abandon and release the 20-foot easement in Lots 5, 9, and 10 of Block 85 of the San Benito Land and Water Company Subdivision, provided all associated fees in the preparation and filing of the release of the easement be paid for by the requestor. Motion carried. A copy of the survey and metes and bounds are filed in the Supplement to Minute Book #22.

The Board discussed the District water availability for 2022 and also an alert sent out by TCEQ to all Surface Water Right holders regarding reduced stream flows and low storage ownership in the Amistad-Falcon Reservoir system. No action was taken.

The Manager reported that the City of San Benito had requested authorization to install an additional aerator in the District's resaca, northwest of the intersection of Business 77 and the resaca. The Manager noted that authorization for this installation had been issued in January 2002 and the then attorney, William Wepfer, was to have drawn up the license agreement. No agreement was found. The Manager did recommend a license agreement authorizing all the existing aerators in the resaca located south of Business 77, north of W. Robertson Street, and the one to be installed north of Business 77. A motion was made by Buck Rhyner, seconded by William Goad, and upon unanimous vote, passed to authorize a license agreement be issued for a 5-year period, allowing the existing aerators in the District's resaca, located north of W. Robertson Street and south of Business 77 be permitted adding an additional aerator north of Business 77. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the hiring of a G.I.S. Technician. A motion was made by Buck Rhyner, seconded by Brady Taubert, and upon unanimous vote, passed to hire Daniel Diaz, as the district's G.I.S. Technician. Manager, Sonia Lambert, disclosed that Daniel Diaz is nephew to her and signed disclosure documents regarding the relationship. Motion carried.

The Board entered into Executive Session at 9:42 a.m. pursuant to section 551.072 of the governmental code to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property; section 551.071 to discuss with attorney pending litigation; and 551.074 to deliberate the appointment, employment, and duties of a joint Assistant General Manager of the Districts to succeed the current joint Manager upon her retirement: a) Legal issues – i) City of San Benito's refusal to approve plats with District's sign-off paragraph; ii) Sale of 1.481 acres out of Lot 9 and 10, Block 146 of the San Benito Land and Water Company Subdivision; iii) Employment of Assistant General Manager.

The Board returned to Open Session at 9:58 a.m. and took the following actions: i) no action; ii) A motion was made by Brady Taubert, seconded by Buck Rhyner, and upon unanimous vote, passed to accept Mr. Armando Elizarde, Jr./Ace Valley Developments' second offer of \$7,000/acre for the approximate 1.481 acres of district's canal right-of-way along the east side of Lot 9 and Lot 10, Block 146 of the San Benito Land and Water Company Subdivision, plus the cost of all associated costs in the transaction; iii) No action. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Brady Taubert, seconded by Buck Rhyner, and upon unanimous vote, passed to approve the following bills:

<u>Check#</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
20909	Aflac	\$186.38
20910	Alamo Iron Works	\$1,133.59
20911	AT&T Mobility	\$64.40
20912	Buffo & Berkman	\$8,000.00
20913	Core & Main	\$408.75
20914	Dearborn Life Insurance Company	\$153.90
20915	Direct Energy	\$1,530.53
20916	Dossett Law Office	\$876.50
20917	First Community Bank	\$509.30
20918	Firestone/Bridgestone	\$426.14
20919	Gonzalez, Enrique Jr.	\$46.00
20920	Goode Electric Co.	\$1,531.22

20921	Uriel Guardado	\$6,250.00
20922	Harlingen Irrigation District	\$507.00
20923	H & V Equipment	\$1,582.82
20924	JR ITSoftware Solutions, LLC	\$4,298.50
20925	Matt's Building Materials	\$107.88
20926	Oil Patch Fuel & Supply	\$21,148.38
20927	Romco Equipment	\$903.76
20928	Rio Hondo Lumber	\$93.79
20929	Rey's Tire Service	\$60.00
20930	Smith-Reagan Ins. Agency	\$340.00
20931	South Texas Bolts & Supply	\$28.72
20932	Tops the Outdoor Store	\$63.23
20933	Texas Gas Service	\$2,516.15
20934	Texas Child Support	\$135.69
20935	Teksco USA	\$4,890.00
20936	Utility Trailer Sales	\$71.99
20937	AT&T Mobility	\$65.19
20938	Autozone	\$33.79
20939	American Heritage Life	\$350.10
20940	Alamo Iron Works	\$73.36
20941	Constellation New Energy	\$3,669.57
20942	Direct Energy	\$314.05
20943	Dossett Law Office	\$400.00
20944	Firestone/Bridgestone	\$469.71
20945	Fel Glo, Inc.	\$8,356.91
20946	Fresno Valve & Casting	\$10,348.18
20947	Uriel Guardado	\$3,600.00
20948	Grajale's Tire Shop	\$79.00
20949	Home Depot Credit Service	\$822.76
20950	Johnny's True Value	\$333.49
20951	Kyrish Truck Centers	\$100.72
20952	Sonia Lambert	\$45.00
20953	McCoy's	\$3,107.35
20954	Oil Patch Fuel & Supply	\$10,859.89
20955	O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	\$3,597.12
20956	Orkin	\$211.00
20957	Powerplan	\$143.20
20958	Pitney Bowes Services	\$146.28
20959	Pro Billing & Funding Services	\$368.78
20960	Rio Hondo Lumber	\$192.58
20961	South Texas Bolts & Supply	\$104.88
20962	Texas Child Support	\$135.69
20963	Unifirst	\$627.74
20964	United Rentals, Inc.	\$1,952.00
20965	Utility Trailer Sales	\$305.46
20966	Verizon	\$755.24
20967	Valley Fire & Safety	\$272.00
20968	Waste Management of Texas	\$169.87

The Manager reported on the following items to the Board of Directors:

- a) May Maintenance Report – Includes 69 jobs performed by the crews for the month.

- b) May Machine Locations/Accomplishments – A report indicating work performed by the excavators and dozers for the month was presented to the Board.
- c) May Pumping Plants Reports – 1) Running standard operations; 2) General maintenance of plant and grounds: Meter #2 online 4/28-2 p.m.; 3) Pumping for the month: Pump Station #1 – 5/1 – 2 p.m. New Cert 100 CFS, 5/10 – 2 p.m. Cert increased to 150 CFS, 5/13 – 2 p.m. Cert set at 200 CFS, 5/16 – 2 p.m. Rate increased to 300 CFS through rest of pumping period; Pump Station #2 – 5/1 – 2 p.m. Rate set at 12 CFS, 5/11 – 2 p.m. Rate set at 6 CFS, 5/14 – 2 p.m. Rate set at 6 CFS, 5/16 – 2 p.m. Rate set at 12 CFS, 5/17 – 2 p.m. Rate set at 12 CFS, 5/21 – 2 p.m. Rate set at 12 CFS, 5/24 – 2 p.m. Rate set at 12 CFS, 5/28 – 2 p.m. Rate set at 6 CFS; 4) Rainfall: 2.00”; 5) Acre feet diverted: 9,670.2540; 6) Total No Charge Pumping: 319.9132; 7) Average TDS readings: 848 p.p.m.
- d) May Financial Reports:
  - 1) M&O Account – The financial report was presented.
  - 2) Rehab Account – The financial report was presented.
  - 3) Canal Rehab Account – The financial report was presented.
  - 4) WaterSMART Account – The financial report was presented.
- e) Water Duty – was 1.21 acre-feet per acre for the month of May 2022 and .90 acre-feet per acre year to date.
- f) Sign/Land Leases – A report with a listing of all contracts and amounts due was presented to the Board.
- g) Multipurpose Resaca Restoration – The Manager reported that Cameron County has requested that the U.S. Army Corp of Engineers conduct a feasibility study of the multipurpose resaca restoration project intended to restore and utilize abandoned resacas to divert water from the Arroyo Colorado into the resaca system to be used as detention/retention. The project includes portions of this district, however it is not clear what resacas in this district are being considered since the district has not abandoned any resacas. The district will need to monitor this proposed study/project.

Attorney's report:

- a) License agreement to East Rio Hondo Water Supply completed and provided. No response has been received.

A motion was made by Buck Rhyner, seconded by Brady Taubert, and upon unanimous vote, passed to adjourn the meeting at 10:45 a.m. Next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 14, 2022 at 9:00 a.m.

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Sam Simmons, President

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William Goad, Secretary