

December 12, 2023
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, Buck Rhyner, and Lupe Argullin. Also present were Sonia Lambert, General Manager, and Craig Harmon, Assistant Manager.

There was no public comment.

A motion was made by Buck Rhyner, seconded by Brady Taubert, and upon unanimous vote, passed to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of November 9, 2023 and the joint Districts meeting of November 30, 2023.

The water report was made by Buck Rhyner, who reported that Falcon Reservoir contains 459,449 acre-feet of water of the normal conservation 2,666,203 acre-feet. The Amistad Reservoir contains 892,250 acre-feet of water of the normal conservation 3,226,704 acre-feet which 22.94% is U.S. total conservation capacity compared to 31.78% this time last year. As of December 11, 2023, the District's usable and storage water balances are 29,916.5749 acre-feet. This time last year, usable and storage water balances were 52,674.7181.

The Assistant General Manager informed the Board that the LRGV Canal Rehab projects have a 10-year deadline as of September 2023, and the District is needing to purchase a 375 CFM compressor and a concrete pump for the completion of these projects. After discussion, a motion was made by Buck Rhyner, seconded by Brady Taubert, and upon unanimous vote, passed to table this item. Motion carried.

The Assistant General Manager informed the Directors that under our agreement with Bureau of Reclamation, we need to match funding for the completion of LRGV Canal Rehab projects at 50%. Due to the increase in prices of materials and equipment, the Assistant General Manager recommended the District sell 994.00 acre-feet of industrial, municipal, and domestic water rights to help match the District's 50% obligation of the agreement. A motion was made by Buck Rhyner, seconded by Brady Taubert, and upon unanimous vote, passed to table this item. Motion carried.

The Board discussed the District's water availability for 2023. No action was taken.

The Board entered Executive Session at 9:54 a.m. pursuant to section 551.071 of the governmental code to discuss the pending litigation and 551.074: a) Legal issues – i) Consider settlement of suit for Cameron County Irrigation District #2 and Cameron County Drainage District #3 vs City of San Benito.

The Board returned to Open Session at 10:00 a.m. and took the following actions: a) Legal issues – Consider settlement of suit for Cameron County Irrigation District #2 and Cameron County Drainage District #3 vs City of San Benito: A motion was made by Buck Rhyner, seconded by Brady Taubert, and upon unanimous vote, passed to give authority to Assistant Manager, Craig Harmon, to settle or drop the lawsuit with the City of San Benito.

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

<u>Ck#</u>	<u>Vendor</u>	<u>Amount</u>
21936	Aflac	\$261.02
21937	Autozone	\$58.99
21938	Azteca Radiators	\$19,400.00
21939	Boswell Elliff Ford	\$146.99
21940	Cameron County Drainage District #3	\$7,500.00
21941	Dossett Law Office	\$1,874.50
21942	Hollon Oil Co.	\$796.79
21943	Holt CAT	\$257.77
21944	John Deere Financial	\$142.22
21945	J & M Hydraulics	\$664.10
21946	JR ITSoftware Solutions, LLC	\$2,429.07
21947	Linde Gas & Equipment, Inc.	\$284.15
21948	McCoy's	\$1,560.99
21949	O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	\$1,711.27
21950	Orkin	\$225.99
21951	Pitney Bowes Global Financial	\$223.53
21952	Pro Billing & Funding Services	\$620.51
21953	Romco	\$1,246.19
21954	Rey's Tire Service	\$115.00
21955	Southern Tire Mart	\$559.59
21956	Smartcom Telephone, LLC	\$622.69
21957	Tops the Outdoor Store	\$29.99
21958	T-Mobile	\$264.13
21959	TWCA Risk Management Fund	\$1,754.00
21960	Texas Child Support	\$228.92
21961	AT&T Mobility	\$65.46
21962	A to Z Lawn Mower	\$50.00
21963	American Heritage Life	\$290.99
21964	Dearborn Life Insurance	\$159.90
21965	First Community Bank	\$309.82
21966	Johnny's True Value	\$75.93
21967	Magic Valley Electric	\$122.01
21968	O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	\$1,970.14
21969	Rey's Tire Service	\$60.00
21970	South Texas Bolts & Supply	\$61.00
21971	Texas Child Support SDU	\$228.92
21972	T-Mobile	\$178.73
21973	TWCA Risk Management Fund	\$1,754.00
21974	Triple-S Steel	\$483.28
21975	Unifirst	\$787.00

Assistant Manager, Craig Harmon, reported on the following items to the Board of Directors:

- a) November Maintenance Report – Includes 7 jobs performed by the crews for the month. In addition to the maintenance, the crews are working on the piping of Lateral E.
- b) November Pumping Plants Reports – 1) Running standard operations; 2) General maintenance of plant and grounds; 3) Pumping for the month: Pump Station #1 – 10/29 – 10 a.m. Rate set at 50 CFS through 10/31, 11/17 – 10 a.m. Cert at 200 CFS

through 11/20; Pump Station #2 – 11/14 – 9 a.m. Rate set at 6 CFS, 11/15 – 9 a.m. Rate set at 12 CFS; 4) Rainfall: 5.80"; 5) Acre feet diverted: 2636.4298; 6) Total No Charge Pumping: 133.1964; 7) Average TDS readings: 765 p.p.m.

c) November 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.

d) Water Duty – was 1.90 acre-feet per acre for the month of November 2023 and 1.73 acre feet per acre year-to-date.

A motion was made by Brady Taubert, seconded by Buck Rhyner, and upon unanimous vote, passed to adjourn the meeting at 10:10 a.m. Next regular meeting is scheduled for Thursday, January 11, 2024 at 9:00 a.m.

Sam Simmons, President

Buck Rhyner, Secretary