

MINUTES

Budget Hearing

September 12, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Hickory Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 met in a Budget Hearing on Thursday, September 12, 2024, in the District Office at 111 East Main Street, Brady, Texas. President Amy Greer called the meeting to order at 5:45 p.m. Those in attendance for the meeting or portions thereof were:

Amy Greer	Brady	Gay Nesloney	Mason
Steve Magill	Eden	Bill Sloan	San Saba
Shawn Oliver	San Saba	David Huie	Lohn
Terry Norman	Brady		

The Board reviewed and discussed the Proposed Tax Rate and Budget for the 2024/2025 Tax Year.

Adjourn. A motion was made by Bill and seconded by Gay to adjourn. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:00 p.m.



Amy Greer, President



Gay Nesloney, Secretary

11/14/24

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REGULAR MEETING

September 12, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Hickory Underground Water Conservation District No. 1 met in a Regular Meeting on Thursday, September 12, 2024, in the District Office at 111 East Main Street, Brady, Texas. President Amy Greer called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Those in attendance for the meeting or portions thereof were:

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Agenda: Amy asked if there were any additions, deletions, or changes to the current working agenda. David responded there were none. A motion was made by Bill and seconded by Gay to approve the agenda. Motion passed.

Public Comment: There were no public comments.

Minutes from August 8, 2024, Meeting: A motion was made by Shawn and seconded by Bill to approve the minutes as presented with the correction made. Motion passed.

Financial Report for August 2024: David presented the Financial Reports for August 2024. A motion was made by Bill and seconded by Gay to accept the report as presented. Motion passed.

Line Item Adjustments to 2023/2024 Budget: The Board reviewed the line item adjustments for the 2023/2024 Budget, moving \$1,500 out of "Computer" to compensate for the shortfalls in "Bonds and Insurance" of \$1,000 and "Appraisal Districts" of \$500. These changes leave \$18,500 in "Computer." The new amount for "Bonds and Insurance" is \$4,500 and the new amount for "Appraisal Districts" is \$26,500. A motion was made by Gay and seconded by Shawn to approve the line adjustments and adopt Order 24-04 to that effect. Motion passed.

Report on District Activities: David presented the District Activities Report for September 12, 2024 (report attached).

2024/2025 Budget (Order 24-05): The Board discussed the budget, and a motion was made by Gay and seconded by Shawn to approve the 2024/2025 Budget of \$849,401.95 and adopt Order 24-05 to that effect. Motion passed.

2024/2025 Tax Rate (Order 24-06): The Board discussed the new lowered tax rate. A motion was made by Gay and seconded by Shawn to approve the 2024/2025 tax rate of \$0.029762 per \$100 valuation and adopt Order 24-06 to that effect. Motion passed.

Investment Policy: No changes were made to the Investment Policy. A motion was made by Bill and seconded by Gay to approve the unchanged Investment Policy. Motion passed.

Contract for District Rules: The Board, in an effort to ensure any action would be legal, requested a copy of the contract and a letter to end services. The item was tabled.

Naming David Huie General Manager: Angelina was sick but submitted a letter requesting the Board name David General Manager (see attached). The Board discussed the need for an updated personnel policy and annual executive in which employees' performances would be evaluated. David and Amy both explained that the personnel policy was in the works. A motion was made by Bill and seconded by Gay to name David Huie "General Manager." Motion passed.

Adjourn. A motion was made by Bill and seconded by Gay to adjourn. Motion passed. The meeting was adjourned at 6:45 p.m.



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District Activities Report

September 12, 2024

1. The Golf Association contacted the District to discuss transferring the permit back into their name. David told them they would have to work with the City and when all the proper paperwork was done, he could furnish them with a permit transfer form.
2. We ordered three Eno Scientific Well Watch 670s. One will be placed on a well near the Hilltop Subdivision in San Saba County.
3. A McCulloch County Landowner has contacted the District repeatedly concerning a dispute with a water well driller. According to the landowner, there is oil in the water supply.
4. On August 20, Angelina attended a water conference in Llano. The event was hosted by the NRCS/SWCD, AgriLife and LCRA. This is an effort we could possibly replicate locally
5. On September 5, David and Angelina gave a presentation along with Billy Kniffen to the local garden club. About 40 people attended. The District donated door prizes including a rainwater harvesting barrel, rain chain, and low-flow shower head. Locals were extremely interested in what the District had to offer and people actually picked up our 'water propaganda.'"
6. We are ordering the book "Hydrology: The Study of Water" to give to area 4th and 5th Graders this year. We gave books to students several years ago. We're trying to rotate titles. These will go out with the poster contest invitations. This year's theme is "Why Should I Save Water?"
7. We've been working on the rules. We used the Hill Country Underground Water Conservation District's rules as a reference for changes. We've talked to Paul Tybor about working with the District as a consultant.