

Real-Edwards Conservation & Reclamation District

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**MINUTES FROM THE  
REAL-EDWARDS CONSERVATION & RECLAMATION DISTRICT  
3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter Regular Open Meeting  
Thursday, July 24, 2025, 6:30 p.m.  
Gilmer Memorial Library, Rocksprings, Texas**

**Seven (7) Board members were present: Kent Dunbar, Sam Epperson, Volney Hough, Lindsay Leinweber, Ryan Shanklin, Dub Suttle and Roland "Tooter" Trees. Staff present: Joel Pigg, Tim Marlin, and Tina Ashley.**

1. President, Tooter Trees, determined a QUORUM with seven (7) Board member present, and called to order the Public Hearing at 6:33 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance.
3. No guests were present to comment.
4. Board reviewed the Minutes from the February 5, 2025, 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter Board Meeting. No edits or corrections were found.

**Motion to approve minutes was made by Dub Suttle and seconded by Volney Hough.**

**Motion Approved: 7 - 0**

5. Consider and/or act upon appointment for District Chief Financial Officer. Joel Pigg has been the District Chief Financial Officer for the past many years.

**Motion to appoint Joel Pigg as Chief Financial Officer by Tooter Trees and seconded by Sam Epperson.**

**Motion Approved: 7 - 0**

6. Discussion regarding District Reports:
  - a. Financial Statements and Financial Reports prepared by Consulting Manager, Joel Pigg. District is in good financial standing. One certificate of deposit was cashed-in to pay for the new District vehicle. Discussion to use some of the funds in the money market account to purchase replacement certificate of deposit.
  - b. Website Report.
  - c. Operating Permits Reports. There are no renewals for 2025. All 2024 pumping reports have been completed and filed with the District.

- d. Annual Cybersecurity Awareness Training Video. A reminder to complete the video and pass the test before August 1.
- e. Well Report. For the 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter, Edwards County had 15 new wells completed and filed with the District. Rea County had 12 new wells completed and filed with the District.
- f. Water Quality Screen Report. There were 7 water samples screened.
- g. River Flows Report showed the rivers have an increase in gallons per minute since the heavy rainfall in early July. One crossing (Fulghams in Real County) still had flowing water over the road.
- h. Rainfall Record and Drought Assessment of the District. *Drought Stage 4 (as of June 2022) status remains in effect.*

7. Consider and/or action to appoint District committee for FY2026 budget. Board discussed having Joel configure a draft budget and email to each board member for review. Board members can email Joel with thoughts and suggestions.

**No motion.**

8. Consider and/or act on proposed FY2026 District budget. Search ideas for water science to recover and retain groundwater. Possibly add abandoned/plugged well cost share program for District landowners.

**No motion.**

9. Consider projected District tax rate possibilities for 2025 tax collection year. Discussed that no one wants to raise taxes, and no one wants a rollback election.

**No motion.**

10. Consider and/or act upon water availability study. Talk to consulting firm (Allison) regarding science items listed in #8.

**No Motion**

11. Consider and/or act upon Personnel/Budget Issues.

**No discussion.**

**No Motion.**

12. Set date and time for special meeting to consider proposed FY2025 District tax rate.

Wait for Real County and Edwards County to calculate tax worksheet according to Truth-in Taxation time schedule. Meeting to be held after August 7, 2025.

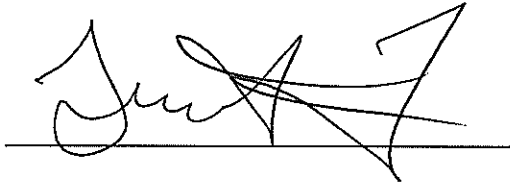
**No Motion**

13. Motion to adjourn 3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter District Board meeting by Sam Epperson and seconded by Volney Hough.

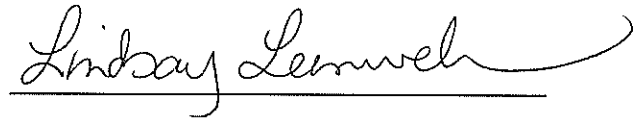
**Motion Approved: 7 - 0**

Meeting Adjourn at 7:49 P.M.

THEREFORE, ON THIS 18 DAY OF August 2025, THESE MINUTES OF THE 3<sup>rd</sup> QUARTER DISTRICT MEETING HELD ON MAY 21, 2025, ARE HEREBY APPROVED AND ADOPTED.



President, Tooter Trees



~~Vice President, Glynn Hendley~~

Secretary, Lindsay Lienweber