

SANTA RITA UNDERGROUND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

August 18, 2026

District Office, 108 HWY 67 West

Public Hearing and Regular Meeting Minutes

Members present: Casey Davidson, Bradley Bynum, Jed Hruska

Members absent: Rusty Adams, Mike Vargas

Others present: JJ Weatherby-District Manager

Call Public Hearing to Order: Casey Davidson, Board President called the regular board meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Any person wishing to speak to the board will be allowed 5 minutes: None.

Approve minutes from the July 21, 2026 public hearing and regular board meeting: The date of the previous meeting minutes to be approved on the agenda was incorrect and should say July 21, 2026 public hearing and regular meeting minutes. Let the minutes reflect that update and after reviewing the minutes Bradley Bynum made a motion to approve the minutes with a second from Jed Hruska. Motion carried unanimously.

Pay bills and discuss District Finances: This month's bills totaled \$5389.02. Deposit from RCTAC was \$372.96 After reviewing financial reports, Jed Hruska motioned to approve and pay the bills with a second from Bradley Bynum. Motion carried unanimously.

Budget Workshop: The board reviewed the last FY budget, the only area we went over in was for the legislative consultant so we will add to that for the coming year. We also felt that adding to attorney fees would be in our best interest with the new potential things coming into our area and we may need to lean on legal expertise. Those numbers were adjusted accordingly.

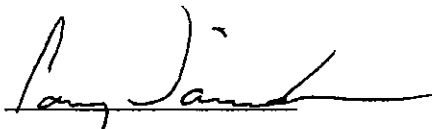
Propose FY 2026/2027 Budget: The proposed budget for FY 26/27 will be \$189,728.35, which is a balanced budget. Motion made by Jed Hruska and second by Bradley Bynum. Motion carries

Propose FY 2026/2027 Tax Rate: The proposed tax rate for FY 26/27 to fund our budget is the no new revenue rate of \$.003007/\$100. Motion made by Jed Hruska and second by Bradley Bynum. Motion carries

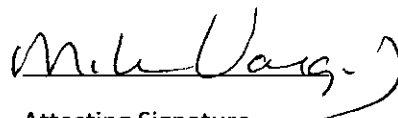
Manager's Report: To get our tax rate/budget adopted we will have an earlier meeting in September. That will be scheduled for September 1, 2026.

- a. Intent to Drill: Justin Morton submitted an intent to drill for a domestic well off of Morton Drive. Paperwork has been received. Bob Ferguson is replacing a livestock well and has submitted required paperwork. The old well will be plugged.
- b. Meetings attended: JJ attended the West Texas Legislative Seminar in San Angelo on 8/6/2026. Legislators and data center companies were present and discussed current issues and upcoming session.

Adjourn: With no further business the meeting adjourned at 5:10 pm, with a motion from Bradley Bynum and a second from Jed Hruska. Motion carried unanimously.



Presiding Officer



Attesting Signature