

# MINUTES

Commissioners present: Joseph Zumwalt, Melissa Shriver-Hackamack, Richard Zollinger on Speaker Phone

## HUNT LIMA DRAINAGE DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING

Date: January 15, 2026

Time 9:00 am

President Joe Zumwalt called the meeting to order at 9:02a.m.

**Additions/corrections to previous months reports:** There were no corrections or additions to the December minutes.

Approval of Minutes of previous month(s)

The November minutes were submitted for approval. President and Commissioner Joe Zumwalt made the motion to approve the minutes. The second came from Commissioner Richard Zollinger. Motion approved.

Approval of Financial information for this month

The financial information from December was submitted for approval. A note was made about the Mercantile accounts. Melissa Shriver-Hackamack made in motion to approve. Richard Zollinger second in the motion. Motion approved.

Approval of Current Bills approved for payment

Current bills were submitted to for approval for payment. Richard Zollinger made the motion to approve. Melissa Shriver-Hackamack seconded in the motion. Motion approved.

### Old Business

**Relief Well Testing Update:** We have received the email with the results of the relief well testing. Those results have been sent to Klinger and Associates to submit to the Army Corps of Engineers.

### **Levy Improvement Project:**

- Project status North UFC Elevator: Plans are still being drafted for that section of the levee.

### **Ditch Maintenance Update:**

- Latest projects: AL-4 is the first lateral north of Meyer to the west. It is being dug out right now. May move to ditch near Adwell 5 while we are close. Other projects include 1.4 miles on the west side of main ditch heading north. Spencer ditch on East side is full of there. Work will need to begin there as well.

### **Equipment/Building Repairs and Parts:**

- Update on South Pump Station Cooling Issues: Bob Venvertloh has sent an updated version of possible plans. Zumwalt is sending the email out to begin looking at the options. Zumwalt also plans to call Keck Heating and Cooling to get an idea of what they would do on the project. He also will follow up with the Army Corps of Engineers to see about what is needed for a 408 permit.

- Tractor Purchase: The district has been looking for a tractor for more than a year. One was located at a local auction. The tractor and pallet forks were purchased for \$44,765.50. Joe Zumwalt made a motion to approve the purchase. Melissa Shriver-Hackamack seconded. Motion passes. The district will now look for front tires from JNR tire in Carthage.

- Camper is gone from South Pump Station. It was hauled off after the new bathroom was completed.

Midwest Flood Control Association Meeting with Corps of Engineers: Shriver-Hackamack reported on the meeting between members of the Midwest Flood Control Association and the Corps of Engineers shortly before Christmas. She

reports that the meeting was positive. Corps officials are open to hearing our needs and she hopes to see relationships build on this meeting. She plans to follow-up with a book and thank you card to the commander.

**Personnel Update:**

- Commissioners announced that after they met in executive session in December, it was decided to move our two employees to a salary based compensation system. The district will also offer term life insurance as well as an HRA to qualified employees. Zumwalt is collecting quotes for life insurance from local agent Paul Figge.

**New Business:**

**Financial Investment Options:** Mercantile, hill, Dodge Bank, and Town & Country bank options

- Officials with Mercantile Bank visited with commissioners. Samantha Mummey suggested REPO and business money market accounts for investment options because of their liquidity. CDs are another option.

- Hill Dodge Bank will also meet with commissioners at the meeting in February.

**IRS:** The IRS has sent a letter to the district saying the address for the Hunt Lima Lake Drainage District was incorrect. However, the suggested address was exactly the same as the one that they claimed was incorrect. Zumwalt will follow up.

**Dallas Rural Water District:** There was no update on this possible project.

Zumwalt made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Shriver-Hackamack seconded. Meeting adjourned.

The next meeting of the Hunt Lima Lake Drainage District will be on Thursday, February 19. at 9:00a.m. It will not be the 12th.