

# MINUTES

Commissioners present: Joseph Zumwalt, Richard Zollinger and Melissa Shriver-Hackamack

## HUNT LIMA DRAINAGE DISTRICT REGULAR MEETING

**Date: December 11, 2025**

**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 November minutes.

**Approval of Minutes of previous month(s)**

The November minutes were submitted for approval. Commissioner Richard Zollinger made the motion to approve the minutes. The second came from Melissa Shriver-Hackamack. Motion approved.

**Approval of Financial information for this month**

The financial information from November was submitted for approval. A note was made about the Mercantile accounts. There was a transfer scheduled, which is to cover the bond payment set for December 31. 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. Melissa Shriver-Hackamack asked for information on the Adams Fiber bill. It was \$578 this month. Melissa made a motion to approve the bills with a note to check on the fiber bill for the month of December. Richard Zollinger second in the motion. Motion approved.

**Old Business**

**Levee Improvement Project:** The project reports are finished except for those for the wetland project. President Joe Zumwalt says he plans to send out the paperwork after we have a full report on the wetlands.

**Project Status North of UFC Elevator:** Commissioner Joe Zumwalt plans to meet next week with Adams County Officials about where to get sand to get the UFC Levy project underway.

**Ditch Maintenance Updates:** Maintenance is being done on the first lateral north of Meyer blacktop on West side.

**Website changes:** Shriver-Hackamack reported that there is a new website online for the district. It is [www.huntlimalakedrainagedistrict.com](http://www.huntlimalakedrainagedistrict.com). The domain and hosting with the company BlueHost was set to expire January 1st, 2026. Due to issues with BlueHost and the difficulty in navigation it was decided to acquire a new website domain and hosting company. There was also a cost benefit to switch as well. Melissa paid for the domain and hosting herself. She will submit receipts for reimbursement soon.

**Equipment, Building Repairs, and Parts:** The bathroom at the south pump station is completed.

**Update on the South Pump Station Cooling Issues:** David Keck plans to look at the project soon.

**Tractor/Skid Steer:** The district did not purchase a new tractor at the last auction. However, district commissioners are looking at one at an auction coming up in Warsaw. There was a discussion about how much the district would like to spend.

**Relief Well Testing:** Relief well testing was done in the past month. There were good numbers. Both relief wells were tested.

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

**New Business**

**City of Warsaw Trackhoe Assistance:** Jeff took care of the work to maintain the area at the Warsaw Boat Club. Zumwalt will write up a bill to send to the city and the district will be reimbursed for his time.

**Zoom Meetings for Commissioners:** There was a discussion of whether zoom meetings would be possible, as well as the legality of the zoom meeting. No determination will be made until our drainage district attorney can weigh in on the issue.

**Executive Session:** The district commissioners went into executive session at 10:12a.m. in order to discuss issues related to personnel.

The meeting was reconvened into regular session at 11:41 AM.

Upon going back into regular session, the District commissioners announced a new pay schedule for pump station employees. It was noted that the current compensation agreement with employees expired January 2026. It was noted that in order to have this discussion district commissioners contacted information from many similar districts inside and outside our area for a proper comparison on compensation and benefits that can be expected. After a thorough discussion, Commissioners determined to move pump house operators from an hourly to salary pay schedule. Commissioners voted to offer our pump station operators \$54,000 a year in salary. Operators will also be offered \$2000 in an HRA benefit for healthcare expenses and a term life insurance policy. Commissioners moved to close executive session at 11:40 AM.

Shriver-Hackamack made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Zollinger seconded. Meeting adjourned at 11:42 AM.

**The next monthly meeting will be held on Thursday, January 15th at 9:00a.m.**