

**Sutherlin Water Control District
Board of Directors
Wednesday, May 28, 2025
District Office – 7 pm**

Flag Salute:

President's Statement: President Patoine asked for conflicts of interest w/agenda items. (None Presented).

Roll Call: Present: Directors Robin Braun, Tom Patoine, Jim Allen, Arika Tenbrook, Carol Swesso, Frank Egbert, and Richard Vander Velden.

Staff: Manager Robert Rippy.

Audience: Adam Sarvoski.

Approval of Minutes:

MOTION by Director Egbert, second by Director Swesso to approve the minutes of the April 23, 2025, Board Meeting as submitted.

Discussion: None

In Favor: Directors Braun, Patoine, Allen, Tenbrook, Swesso, Egbert, and Vander Velden.

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Business From Manager:

Cooper Creek Update: Reservoir is full. The reservoir has been mowed twice. Instream work starts on July 1st.

Irrigation Report: The reservoir is full. The dam has been mowed three times. The pumps are on. A load of drain rock has been spread around the spillway.

Jet Ski Races: Our Risk Management consultant from SDAO, and our Insurance Agent, Craig Zolezzi, met with the Manager regarding the jet ski races. The District is not making any money from the event, but we will need a certificate of insurance from the Jet Ski Association. We will need to pass a few additional rules and regulations for the event. Suspend speed limit for the jet ski event June 21-22, allow camping for the float-n-fly weekend June 13-15 and the jet ski races weekend June 20-22, quiet hours starting at 10pm, and no open burning.

MOTION by Director Egbert, second by Director Swesso, to approve the additional rules and regulations as presented.

Discussion: None

In Favor: Directors Braun, Patoine, Allen, Tenbrook, Swesso, Egbert, and Vander Velden.

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Board Reduction: If we want to move forward with the Board Reduction, Robin, Jess, Tom, or Jim would have to volunteer to give up their seat for ward 1, and the vacancy in ward 2 would not be filled.

MOTION by Director Vander Velden, second by Director Tenbrook, to table the Board Reduction until there is a vacancy and a need to look into moving forward

Discussion: None

In Favor: Directors Braun, Patoine, Allen, Tenbrook, Swesso, Egbert, and Vander Velden.

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

FFA Lease: We need to renew the ag lease for another 5 years with the Sutherlin FFA. Director Braun has concerns over them burning fires late at night.

MOTION by Director Vander Velden, second by Director Braun, to put a 10pm noise ordinance on the ag lease.

Discussion: None

In Favor: Directors Braun, Patoine, Allen, Swesso, Egbert, and Vander Velden.

Opposed: None

Abstain: Director Tenbrook

Motion carried unanimously.

MOTION by Director Vander Velden, second by Director Egbert, to authorize Manager to renew the Ag Lease for another 5 years.

Discussion: None

In Favor: Directors Braun, Patoine, Allen, Tenbrook, Swesso, Egbert, and Vander Velden.

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Resolutions:

Resolution #2025-003 Resolution Calling for a Budget Hearing was read to the Board in full.

MOTION by Director Egbert, second by Director Allen to adopt resolution #2025-003 as presented.

Discussion: None

In Favor: Directors Braun, Patoine, Allen, Tenbrook, Swesso, Egbert, and Vander Velden.

Opposed: None

Abstain: None

Motion carried unanimously.

Business from Audience: None.

Next Meeting:

Budget Meeting – June 25, 2025 – 7PM

Business from Directors: None.

Adjournment: There being no further business meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Approved:

Robert Rippy, District Manager

Tom Patoine, Board President

Respectfully submitted,

Laci Smith, Recording Secretary