

MINUTES OF WILLACY COUNTY DRAINAGE DISTRICT NO. 1

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Willacy County Drainage District No. 1 convened on July 8, 2026, at the District's office in Lyford, Texas, pursuant to notice duly given as required by law. Present were:

Glenn Wilde, Vice-President
Melvin Gay, Secretary
Velma N. Garcia, Director
Thomas Zdansky, Director

Casey McNutt, General Manager
B.R. Dossett, Attorney

Directors Absent: Charles Chappell, Terry Galle, Dan Klostermann

Vice-President Wilde called the meeting to order at 10:30 a.m. and presided.

1. Minutes. The minutes of the June 10, 2026 meeting were presented. Velma Garcia noted one correction. The motion was made by Velma Garcia, and seconded by Thomas Zdansky, to approve the minutes of the June 10, 2026 meeting as corrected. Following a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.
2. Public Comment Period. No one appeared. No comments were submitted by email or fax.
3. Audit of Fiscal Year ended December 31, 2025. The Auditor now anticipates that the audit will be completed in time for presentation at the August 12, 2026 Board meeting.
4. Willacy Main Drain: Union Pacific Railroad declaration of emergency and demand that District replace the crossing pursuant to 1986 agreement. The plans for the sleeving have not been completed. Union Pacific has requested a project time line. Engineer Huacuja has advised Manager McNutt that the time line will be will be presented at the August 12, 2026, meeting.
5. Projects: Lateral G-Willacy County widening and improvements between Hidalgo-Willacy Joint Venture Drain and Business 77 (Grants awarded to Willacy County).
 - 5.1 Segment between Simo Road and I-69/U.S. Hwy 77 east frontage road-1000 feet more or less (FEMA Grant).
 - (a) Status Report. It is Manager McNutt's understanding that the work is supposed to be completed this month. No work has commenced. It is not known if the County has requested an extension. The County has provided no status report.
 - (b) Matters requiring Board action. None.
 - 5.2 Remainder of Project/Joint Flood Control Project TWDB No. 40069 (TWDB Grant).
 - (a) Status Report. The County has advised Manager McNutt that the TWDB is now requiring the submission of more forms and information, and anticipates that this will delay commencement of work at least 60 days.

(b) Matters requiring Board action. None.

6. Projects: Master Drainage Plan-USDA Grant.

6.1 Status Report. No change in status. Still waiting on funding.

6.2 Matters requiring Board action. None.

7. Hidalgo-Willacy Joint Venture Drain—Amendment of Panchita Control Structure Operations Protocols and Procedures.

7.1 Status Report. Engineer Huacuja has advised Manager McNutt that his report and recommendations will be presented at the August 12, 2026, meeting. Director Garcia stated that a copy of the report should be submitted to the Directors prior to the meeting.

7.2 Matters requiring Board action. None.

8. Reports. Receive reports and make decisions regarding the subject of such reports:

8.1 Manager:

(a) Work accomplished since the last Board meeting. Report presented and discussed.

(b) Vehicles-purchase of two pickups. Manager McNutt recommended the purchase through Buy Board of two new pickups, both with 4-wheel drive and gasoline engines, one with a standard cab and one with a crew cab. He has requested, but not received the final quote. He anticipates that the total purchase price will be in the neighborhood of \$100,000.00. The District's 2017 pickup with the most milage will be a trade-in. The other 2017 pick-up (with the lowest milage) will probably be kept by the District. A discussion followed whether or not to wait until the final quote is received to make a decision. The motion was made by Velma Garcia and seconded by Thomas Zdansky that the District purchase two 2026 pickups through Buy Board, and that Manager McNutt be authorized to procede with the submission of the necessary paperwork to acquire the two pickups. Following a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.

(c) Willamar Control Structure (where the Willacy Main Drain discharges into the Hidalgo-Willacy Joint Venture Drain). During the recent regular inspection of the structure, cracks and spalls and exposed rebar due to the rusting and corrosion of rebar were discovered. Failure to address the problem could result in catastrophic failure of the structure. RM Walsdorf, Inc., which has more than 40 years experience in making this type of repair, has inspected the structure and will present a quote.

(d) Gin Yard Drain—segment along south side of Lot 4, Block 10, Gulf Coast Irrigation Co. Subdivision (Jose, Lyford & Sebastian Tracts), being on north side of, adjacent and parallel to Olive Road. The owner of Lot 4 recently erected a fence on the north side of, adjacent and parallel to, the drain. There is not enough space between the drain channel and the fence for the operation of District equipment. The fence is more or less erected on the north line of the District's easement. So, when the Lyford Gin Association conveyed the

drain to the District in 1990, the right-of-way was too narrow. Heretofore there being no fence, the problem was not known until the fence was erected. Manager McNutt will request that the owner move the fence at least 25 feet from the edge of the drain channel at the District's expense and commence negotiations for the District's acquisition the additional right-of-way needed by the District.

- (e) Investment Officer Report for 2nd Quarter. Presented.
- (f) Personnel. Manager McNutt reported on safety videos that the employees will be required to watch.

8.2 Attorney. All matters discussed under other agenda items.

9. Financial

9.1 Financial Report for the month of June 2026. Presented and discussed. The motion was made by Melvin Gay and seconded by Thomas Zdansky that the report be accepted. Following a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.

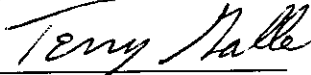
9.2 Payment of Accounts (M & O Account). The motion was made by Melvin Gay and seconded by Thomas Zdansky that payment of these accounts be approved:

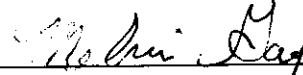
Payroll/Monthly Wages	Transfer to Payroll Acct.	ET	\$40,000.00
Corporate Card, Wells Fargo/Mastercard	Office/Operating/Misc.	ACH	\$951.06
AT&T Mobile	Telephones-Cell phones	ACH	\$82.24
Culligan	Water Dispenser Rental	ACH	\$40.00
VTX	Internet & Phone	ACH	\$184.10
Reliant Energy	Electricity-Utilities	ACH	\$382.00
Gerber Life Insurance-Manager	Insurance	ACH	\$158.36
Pitney Bowes Leasing-Postage meter	Postage	ACH	\$40.00
Taylor G. Hasson	Housekeeping	4048	\$280.00
Guardian Insurance	Employee Paid Insurance	4049	\$274.87
Willacy County Treasurer's Office	Employee Health Ins.	4050	\$5,476.54
Dossett Law Office-Retainer	Legal-Retainer	4051	\$150.00
Xerox Financial-Copier/Printer Lease	Office Supplies	4052	\$266.25
City of Lyford-Water/Sewer	Utilities	4053	\$81.29
Polar Air-Generator service and repair	Building Maintenance	4054	625.00
Superior Alarms-fire alarm inspection	Building Maintenance	4055	\$505.50
Santcant IT Maintenance-retainer& website	Office Maintenance	4056	\$2,750.00
Rios Surveying, LLC-Panchita study	Engineering fees	4057	\$14,000.00
Atmax Equipment Co.	Equipment Maintenance	4058	\$160.41
John Deere Financial-Zero turn engine	Equipment Maintenance	4059	\$3,687.54
Burton Pro-Billing & Funding	Operating Supplies	4060	\$133.53
T&W Tire	Equipment Maintenance	4061	\$125.95
Alamo Lumber Supply	Operating Supplies	4062	\$221.73
Pico Propane and Fuels	Fuel-Operating Supplies	4063	\$9,984.79
Total			<u>\$80,561.16</u>

Following a discussion, the motion unanimously carried.

10. Take up such other matters as may properly be brought before the Board. The August 12, 2026 meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m.

11. Adjournment. There being no other business, the motion was made by Thomas Zdansky and seconded by Melvin Gay that the meeting be adjourned, whereupon the meeting was adjourned at 11:48 a.m.


Terry Gale, President


Melvin Gay, Secretary