

Green DeWitt Drainage District

Regular Meeting Minutes June 22, 2026 – 11:00 A.M. 107 N. Gonzales Street, Cuero, Texas

1. Opening Prayer

Board Secretary **John Varela** delivered the opening prayer.

2. Announce Quorum & Call to Order

President **Doug Sethness** presided over the meeting. A quorum was present with all Board Members in attendance:

- Doug Sethness, President
- Larry Coppedge, Vice-President
- John Varela, Secretary

Staff Present:

- Ignacio Granado, Foreman
- Pat Treviño, Office Manager

Public Present:

- Robert Baker

Absent:

- David Guajardo, General Manager

The meeting was called to order at **11:00 A.M.**

3. Public Comment

- Robert Baker was present.
- No formal public comments were submitted.

4. Minutes

Motion:

- **John Varela** made a motion to approve the minutes from:
 - Special Meeting – May 5, 2026
 - Regular Meeting – May 18, 2026 (cancelled and rescheduled)

- Regular Meeting – May 28, 2026 **Second:** Motion seconded by **Larry Coppedge**.
Outcome: Motion carried unanimously.

5. Facilities – Maintenance, Improvements & Projects

Foreman **Ignacio Granado** presented the Monthly Field Report (May 28 – June 22, 2026):

- Heavy rainfall caused accelerated vegetation growth requiring repeated mowing and weed-eating, especially in high-visibility areas.
- Two mowers experienced major breakdowns, reducing mowing capacity.
- Commissioner Precinct One **Ryan Varella** loaned a John Deere tractor and shredder, which significantly helped maintain vegetation control.
- Replaced serpentine belt on RTV-X1100 (Unit 11Y).
- Additional minor repairs performed to keep equipment operational.
- Removed a fallen tree in the West Lateral Channel and cut limbs along fence lines.
- Flood Monitoring Unit fully assembled and tested; awaiting signage before installation.
- The system remains in workable condition.

6. General Manager Report

Because **General Manager David Guajardo** was absent, **Pat Treviño** read the General Manager's written report into the record.

Flood Monitoring System (FMS) – Site No. 2

- Project is **90% complete** and on schedule for the **June 30, 2026**, deadline.
- Site preparation and infrastructure installation completed.
- Minor delays due to maintenance workload and vendor delay on signage.
- Current expenditure is approximately **\$1,600**.
- No significant schedule impacts anticipated.

GLO Mitigation Grant – Gohlke Creek Improvements

- Project remains in the **property acquisition phase**.
- Coordination call was held June 18, 2026, with **Aron Miller (Public Management)**.
- Draft First Notices of Acquisition prepared for:
 - Mr. Robert Schroeder
 - Mr. Weldon Dietze
- Acknowledgement of Receipt forms prepared for each owner.
- Notices will be hand-delivered and signed acknowledgements collected.
- Continued coordination with PMI on acquisition procedures and documentation.
- Environmental, permitting, and compliance activities will advance once acquisition milestones are completed.

TWDB Stream Gauge Grant

- Project remains in the **initial development phase**.
- Discussions ongoing with the County Emergency Management Coordinator regarding partnership and shared matching funds.
- Next step: presentation to Commissioners Court.
- Staff evaluating monitoring locations and grant requirements.

7. Engineering

NONE

8. GLO Grant Updates

The Board reviewed the General Manager's written GLO Mitigation Grant Update.

Motion:

- **Larry Coppedge** made a motion to place a **hold on all acquisitions** related to the GLO Mitigation Grant Project. **Second:** Motion seconded by **John Varela**. **Outcome:** Motion carried unanimously.

9. Financial Matters

Financial reports were reviewed, including:

Profit & Loss (Oct 1, 2025 – June 19, 2026)

- **Total Income:** \$529,450.91
- **Total Expenses:** \$320,280.98
- **Net Operating Income:** \$209,169.93

Budget vs. Actual (as of June 22, 2026)

- **Year-to-date budget:** \$389,140.47
- **Year-to-date expenses:** \$299,558.74
- **Percentage of annual budget used:** 57.73%
- June expenses not yet posted.

Motion:

- **John Varela** made a motion to approve the financial report. **Second:** Motion seconded by **Larry Coppedge**. **Outcome:** Motion carried unanimously.

10. Executive Session

The Board entered Executive Session under the authority of the Texas Government Code. The Board reconvened in open session. **No action was taken.**

11. Schedule Next Meeting

The next regular meeting was scheduled for: **July 28, 2026 at 9:00 A.M.**

12. Adjourn

Motion:

- **Larry Coppedge** made a motion to adjourn. **Second:** Motion seconded by **John Varela**.
Outcome: Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 12:05 P.M.