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MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING August 11, 2025

The regular monthly board meeting of Rural Water District #2, Mayes County, Oklahoma was held at the District Office in Mazie Oklahoma.

Notice of Meeting was posted August 8, 2025, at 3:30 p.m. on the office door of Mayes County Rural Water District No. 2 in Mazie.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Charles Coblentz at 7:30 p.m.

Quorum was established – Members present: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner.

Members late: None.

Members left early: None.

Members absent: None.

Employees present: Tom Rotert, Brian Kellogg, Ryann Rotert, and Kathy Waggoner.

Visitors present: Tim Hanson, Kelly Wade and Mike Cooper

Under Public Comment:

Tim Hanson was present to ask for some forgiveness on a high bill against a property he just purchased. According to the By-Laws, any balance stays with the property. He can, however, set up a payment plan. No action taken.

Kelly Wade and Mike Cooper were present to find out who owns a meter. The meter in question was on a Multi-Points of Use that was split into two separate properties. According to the By-Laws, the owner of the meter is whose property the meter is set on. After the property split, the meter is on Ms. Wade's part of the property, making her the new owner of the meter. No action taken.

A motion was made by Jason Turner and seconded by Ed Yoder to approve the minutes of the July 14, 2025. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by Amos Allen and seconded by Jason Turner to approve July bills check numbers 221382-21420 plus 14 bills to be paid online, August payroll and postage in the amount of \$220,943.15 from the Welch State Bank Revenue Fund. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by Jason Turner and seconded by John Cobb to approve the following benefit unit applications: BU# 3111 – Flat Rock Fire Department, and BU# 3110 – Jamie Thornton and BU# 3113 – Jim

and Nancy Page pending approval and installation of line extensions. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by Jason Turner and seconded by Dale Yoder to approve the following benefit unit transfers: BU# 492 – Kenneth and Marcia Baysinger to Deborah Moore

BU# 635 = Bobby and Terri Bias to Chance Roach

BU# 817 – Red Edmonds to Rachelle Bellis

BU# 885 – John Miller to Emilie and Trenton Quigley

BU# 2032 – Karolyn Sorenson to Dennis and Nanci Mashburn

BU# 2296 – Wesley and Terri Wilson to Jacob and Samara Guagliardo

BU# 2299 – S&S Properties to Nicole Broccard

BU# 2410 – Blane Maner to Brandon Hill

BU# 2889 – Daniel Frailey to Josh Yates

BU# 2950 – Luis Bernal to Angela Turner

The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by John Cobb and seconded by Jason Turner to Table action on the Jamie Thornton Development Agreement until Engineer finalizes Agreement. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by Jason Turner and seconded by Amos Allen to Table action on the Jim and Nancy Page Development Agreement until Engineer finalized Agreement. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by Michael Southern and seconded by John Hardin to approve Pay Request No. 3 to Ira M Green Construction, Inc in the amount of \$118,354.80 with check number 21421 from the Revenue Fund account for work completed on the Inola WWTP Water Line Extension Project upon receipt of funds from the Port Authority. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by Ed Yoder and seconded by Jason Turner to approve Pay Request No.1 to King Excavating Inc. in the amount of \$112,575.00 with check number 1017 from the BancFirst account for work completed on the ARPA E 550 Rd & N 4380 Rd Water Line Project. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by Dale Yoder and seconded by Ed Yoder to approve a \$5.00 per hour raise for Jesse Armstrong and Dylan Lyman each to bring wages to more comparable rates. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by Jason Turner and seconded by Amos Allen to Table action regarding overtime procedures until confirmation on whether the employees are considered hourly or salary. The motion

carried with the following voting yes: Jason Turner, Amos Allen, John Cobb, Ed Yoder, and John Diacon. Voting No: John Hardin. Abstained: Charles Coblentz, Michael Southern and Dale Yoder.

A motion was made by Michael Southern and seconded by Ed Yoder to approve the purchase of Right-of-Way Easements for the ARPA E 550 road & N 4380 road Water Line Project, to be reimbursed by Mayes County ARPA funds, in the amount of \$2,000.00 each, to the following:

Jacqueline Parson
Sharen Wright
Shirley Wright
Travis Henry

With check numbers 21423-21426. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

Engineer Brian Kellogg gave a brief Engineering Report: He has submitted the Engineer's Report to the RDA guaranteed loan for the meter replacement project. Talking with Badger, they have given a quote of \$1,200,000, not installed, on their meters. There will be a bid opening on Friday for the SCADA project. There may be a need to have a Special Meeting to award the bid on the SCADA project. He has been in talks with a company coming to the Inola Port that will require 1.5 million gallons a day.

Tom Rotert gave a Manager's Report: Water loss was at 35.09% when figuring off the date RVS does billing. There has been a lot of flushing and estimating of bills, so the water loss isn't entirely accurate. There may be a need to sell water to Rogers County Rural Water District #6 on a temporary basis. If agreeable, will sell water to them at a rate of \$2.75 per thousand gallons for up to 90 days, then re-evaluate. The disbursements are up- the OOWA bill was high due to the amount of flushing, contractor Roy Reed helped with a lot of work orders so that our guys could focus on flushing and getting locates done. The contractor crew moving through the district has been submitting a very high number of locates and it takes up a lot of our guys' time. Received quotes from Jack Kisse and Kevin Grover in the amount of \$54,725 and \$49,762.60, respectively, on a replacement truck for the 2007 GMC that was declared totaled. A motion was made by Jason Turner and seconded by John Cobb to approve the purchase of a 2025 GMC Sierra from Kevin Grover with check number 1016 from the BancFirst account, in the amount of \$49,762.60. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

Received quotes from Masters Heating and Cooling and Airco in the amount of \$8,596 and \$7,722.18, respectively, on a replacement HVAC system for the office.

A motion was made by Jason Turner and seconded by John Diacon to approve the purchase of a new HVAC system from local company Masters Heating and Cooling with check number 1018 from the BancFirst account, in the amount of \$8,596. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

Scotty Hagan submitted a letter of resignation on July 30, 2025. He stated that he could not keep working so much overtime without getting paid.

A motion was made by Jason Turner and seconded by John Hardin to acknowledge the resignation of Scotty Hagan. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

Manager Tom Rotert has been looking for a replacement for an operator. There have not been very many applicants. One applicant looks promising, with backhoe and leadership experience, however the pay rate is a major hold up. He would like to be able to offer him more than the typical \$16 per hour rate.

A motion was made by Michael Southern and seconded by Ed Yoder to offer \$22 per hour to start with an evaluation in 30 days and possible increase in pay. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

Manager hired Larry Griggs with Longhorn Services to mow the District's properties and will have him continue to do so on a recurring basis at a rate of \$150 per site, on a bi-weekly to monthly basis, depending on the site. Flat Rock Fire Department has all of the equipment except the meter; waiting on locates to get started on the installation. The meter is on backorder; we are purchasing and they will reimburse us. There is a loan forgiveness program with DEQ that we may qualify for up to \$800,000 toward the meter system replacement, Meeting with Charles de Coune from the Baker Group this week to get more information and see if we qualify.

Under New Business:

A motion was made by John Hardin and seconded by Jason Turner to approve the transfer of \$1,000 from the Revenue Fund to the Deposit Refund account. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by John Hardin and seconded by Jason Turner to purchase the meter for the Inola WWTP project in the amount of \$3,125 with check number 21427 and be reimbursed. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

A motion was made by Ed Yoder and seconded by John Cobb to adjourn. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Charles Coblentz, Amos Allen, Michael Southern, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, John Diacon, John Hardin, Dale Yoder, and Jason Turner. Voting no: None. Abstained: None.

The meeting was adjourned by Chairman Charles Coblentz at 9:51 p.m.

Secretary Treasurer
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