

## **Bryant Water and Wastewater Committee Minutes**

**Kathy Barber** 

Wade Boone

Date: Tuesday, April 1, 2025

**Time:** 6:00 P.M.

**Location:** 210 SW 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Bryant, AR 72022

Members Present: Al Wise, Nancy Pruitt, Wade Boone, Linda Levart, Kathy Barber David Hannah

Members Absent: Madison McEntire, Leroy Tinkler

Staff Present: Angela Shepard, Tim Fournier, Moriah Winkle

Call to Order: This meeting was called to order by: David Hannah

March Leak Adjustment

All requested adjustments were approved.

Requests: Motion to Approve Leak Adjustments:

Motion Seconded:

Motion carried with 6 votes

Minutes: Motion to Approve March: Al Wise

Minutes as Presented:

Motion Seconded: Wade Boone

Motion carried with 6 votes

Financials: Motion to Approve February: Linda Levart

Financials as Presented:

Motion Seconded: Al Wise

Motion carried with 6 votes

**Presentations:** Lift Stations: COB currently has 41 lift stations, 37 are on Skada monitoring, and this does not

include approximately 150 E1 pump stations. Lift stations take water from a low point and carries to a high point. Repairs and maintenance are now coming out of our Depreciation Fund. \$8 mil is

budgeted for Lift Station 5 for 2025.

Public Comments: Megan Wheat on Hunter Lea Dr. Leak started in January at the water meter at a gasket on the

resident side. Water and Sewer bills are extremely high from the leak. She is asking for help on the water and sewer bills. Both Tim and the committee will be doing research to see if there are any

options. But the city ordinance prevents them from adjusting more than one bill per year.

Old Business:

New Business: WWTP Staffing Update: Crist Engineers have brought in 2 consultants. A budget adjustment is

being asked of council of \$100k for 8 weeks while in transition of hiring a new WWTPO. There are

a couple candidates being interviewed for the WWTP Operator/ Manager position.

## Projects:

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Saline Regional Update: The project is being fully funded. The company has agreed to bridge the gap with 3 loans. One loan will be for raw water, one for the actual plant, and one for the finished water lines. 152 easements will need to be acquired before we can get the first loan to begin.

**Hwy 5 Relocation Update/Hwy 5 Water Tower Row Acquisition.** 100% ROW plan is in process. Garnat Engineering is doing the preliminary utility plan. Appraisers have come back with an appraisal at Hwy 5 at \$90K.

**South Plain Update/School Property Discussion**: The school and council have accepted the offers. An exchange of 3 acres off of the school property, with \$150k for the property on the new tower. Surveying and paperwork should begin soon.

LS 5 Update: Survey work is complete. A status meeting is scheduled for next week.

Lea Circle Update: April 7th construction will begin.

Springhill Update: Easements are still being acquired. Meetings with residents are taking place.

Motion to Adjourn: Wade Boone Motion Seconded: Nancy Pruitt

Carried with 6 votes