

**Heard County Water Authority  
Board Meeting Minutes  
April 21, 2025**

The Heard County Water Authority Board met in regular session on April 21, 2025, at 5:00 p.m. The following members were present: Loy Howard, Rick Jones, Shane Cammon, Lynda Tucker and Connie Nelms.

Chairman Loy Howard called the meeting to order. Beth Cantrell gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**Recognition of Guests:** Wayne Hanie, Ryan Smith

**Approval/Modify Agenda:** On motion and second (Nelms, Cammon) a unanimous vote was made to approve the agenda.

**Approve Regular Minutes:** On motion and second (Cammon, Jones) a unanimous vote was made to approve the minutes for February 2025.

**Approve Executive Minutes:** None

**Public Comments:** None

**New Business:**

**Proposal for Insurance Renewal-** Chris Walker from Marsh McLennan presented quotes for the insurance renewal. On motion and second (Nelms, Jones) a unanimous decision was made to approve the insurance renewal. On motion and second (Cammon, Jones) a unanimous decision was made to go with same Workman's Compensation Insurance and Cyber Security.

**Request for Sewer Access-** Darrell Brice, Distribution Superintendent, provided a report on the request for sewer access along Franklin Parkway, outlining the necessary requirements for implementation. The Board requested additional research to determine feasibility and cost before making a final decision.

**Strategic Water Plan-** Wayne Hanie from Garver USA presented a proposal to develop a 25-year planning horizon that includes near-term (2025 – 2030), intermediate-term (2031 – 2040), and long-term (2041 – 2050). The Board wanted to see if we could reach out to other entities to share the cost of this strategic plan. Wayne Haynie also let the board know that all of the HCWA mapping has been digitized.

**Rate Study Status Update-** Ryan Smith of Ryper Analytics provided an update on the rate study, informing the board of the project's progress and confirming that he remains on schedule according to the timeline previously presented.

### Old Business:

**Bank of OZK Line of Credit-** Beth Cantrell, Executive Director provided the Bank OZK line of credit documents to Chairman Loy Howard and Secretary Lynda Tucker for their signatures facilitating the next steps in securing the line of credit.

### Reports:

- 1.) **Financial:** Beth Cantrell, Executive Director, provided an update on financials.

**March 2025**

Income: \$223,751.68

Expenses: \$250,774.22

Net Income: <\$27,022.54>

Net Inc. with Depreciation, Capital Expenses & other Expenses: \$<30,665.66>

- 2.) **Distribution:** Darrell Brice, Distribution Superintendent, presented the Distribution report.

MONTH	Mar-25
NEW INSTALLS	2
LEAKS	15
MAIN BREAKS	2
VALVE MAINT	0
MTR /PUMP TESTING	0
LOCATES	126
WORK ORDERS	35
N/PAY CUT-OFFS	0
DATA LOGS	1
MTR CHANGE OUTS	1
D.O.T. PERMITS	0

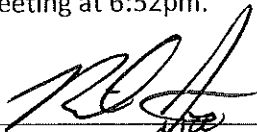
- 3.) **WTP:** In the absence of Matt Dean, WTP manager, Beth Cantrell, Executive Director, presented the Water Treatment Plant report. Normal Operations.

- 4.) **WWTP:** Darrell Brice, Distribution Superintendent/WWTP Manager presented the Waste Water Treatment Plant report. Normal Operations.

**Executive Session:** Entered into Executive Session at 6:40pm and upon motion and second (Jones, Cammon) a unanimous decision was made to come out of executive session at 6:50pm.

**Additional Board Issues/Concerns:** The Board discussed rebranding the authority and discussed getting the employees to submit their ideas for a new logo.

**Adjourn:** On motion and second (Cammon, Nelms) a unanimous decision was made to adjourn the meeting at 6:52pm.

  
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Loy Howard, Chairman

Date 6-16-2025

