Heard County Water Authority Board Meeting Minutes July 21, 2025

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

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

Recognition of Guests: Wayne Haynie, Ryan Smith and Mayor Kevin Hayes

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

<u>Approve Regular Minutes</u>: On motion and second (Jones, Nelms) a unanimous vote was made to approve the minutes for June 2025.

<u>Approve Executive Minutes:</u> On motion and second (Cammon, Jones) a unanimous vote was made to approve the executive minutes for June 2025.

Public Comments: None

New Business:

<u>Purchase of Regions Building-</u> After review of the Contract from the City to purchase the Regions Building and much discussion. On motion and second (Nelms, Jones) a unanimous vote was made to approve the contract and to give Executive Director, Beth Cantrell, permission to sign the contract and move forward with the purchase of the property.

Rate Study & Proposed Rate Increase: Ryan Smith, Ryper Water Analytics presented the Rate Study and Rate Increase Analysis. Following extensive discussion, on motion and second (Nelms, Jones) a unanimous vote was made to approve the Rate Increase. The Board has requested the development of a communication plan to inform the public about the approved increase.

FY 25/26 Budget: Ryan Smith, Ryper Water Analytics, presented the Budget Proposal for the 25/26 Fiscal year. The Board will conduct a review of the proposed budget and will vote on its adoption following a public Budget Hearing.

Old Business:

Review Elijah Radio Contract: Jennifer Betts, Lead Operations Specialist, presented the proposed contract for Elijah Radio to erect an antenna at one of HCWA's water tower locations. On motion and second (Cammon, Nelms) a unanimous vote was made to approve the 5-year contract.

<u>Tencarva bid for High Service Pump Repair:</u> Darrell Brice, Distribution Superintendent presented the bids for a new pump and for repair of the pump. On motion and second (Jones, Cammon) a unanimous vote was made to move forward with the bid for repair of the pump.

Reports:

1.) Financials: Chris Barnett, CPA, provided an update on financials.

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*Income: \$256,541.38 *Expenses: \$246,740.75 *Net Income: \$9,800.63

*Net Income with Depreciation, Capital Expenses and other Expenses: \$<71,016.63>

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

MONTH	Mar-25
NEW INSTALLS	5
LEAKS	16
MAIN BREAKS	5
VALVE MAINT	0
MTR /PUMP	
TESTING	0
LOCATES	99
WORK ORDERS	133
N/PAY CUT-OFFS	0
DATA LOGS	5
MTR CHANGE OUTS	1
D.O.T. PERIMITS	0

- 3.) WTP: Matt Dean, WTP manager, 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: None

Additional Board Issues/Concerns: None

<u>Adjourn:</u> On motion and second (Jones, Cammon) a unanimous decision was made to adjourn the meeting at 7:03pm.

Lov Howard, Chairman

Date 9/15/25