

**Rural Water District #4
Wagoner County
Regular Board Meeting
March 10, 2026
7:00 PM**

Join Meeting: call 480-712-7555 ID:1151-258-2331

Call to order: Chairman Chad Jester called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Board Members present: Mr. Chad Jester, Mr. Gary Rogers, Mr. Jim Self, Mr. Terry Hurst & Mr. Bart Morris

Staff Present: Mr. Thomas Faulk, Mr. Rick Lang

Others Present: Ryan Smith, Engineer and Duane Riffe, Attorney.

Citizens Present: No citizens present

The first order of the evening was the Call to Order by Mr. Rick Lang, followed by the Roll Call by the clerk. Roll Call: Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; Mr. Terry Hurst, yes; Mr. Chad Jester, yes; Mr. Bart Morris, yes.

Discussion and action on Approval of the Minutes of the 2-10-2026 Regular Board Meeting

Chad Jester called for review of the Minutes for the 2-10-2026 Regular Board Meeting [Tab 1]. Mr. Terry Hurst entered a Motion to approve the Minutes of the 2-10-2026 Regular Board Meeting. Mr. Gary Rogers Entered a Second to the Motion. Roll Call: Mr. Gary Rogers, yes, Mr. Jim Self, yes, Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes, Mr. Bart Morris, yes. The Minutes of 2-10-2026 Regular Board Meeting, stand approved as presented.

Discussion and action on items from citizens / visitors present.

No citizens present.

Discussion and review of the Operations Manager's Report.

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to the Operations Manager's Report [Tab 2]. Mr. Rick Lang's first order of business was to relate that 7,082,200 gallons of water was purchased from the City of Tulsa. There were 0 gallons purchased from the City of Broken Arrow. He then said that February sales records confirm thirty-five (35) meters sold during the month and set meters were sixteen (16) meters installed.

The pumpage from the water plant in October was 72,459,000 gals. He had no additional information; no discussion or questions arose; no action was required.

Discussion and Review on the Engineering Report.

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to the Engineering report [Tab 2]. Mr. Ryan Smith stated that there is one private development this month. Emerald Falls Tract 10 will be for a Oak Grove Volunteer Fire Station and it will include 2 lots with water & sewer. On the Oak Grove Road Widening, The 71st to 101st Street ODEQ permits were received and the project was given the go ahead by the County. It is currently out for bids with a bid opening of April 1st. Muskogee Turnpike Oak Grove Interchange is submitted to ODEQ for permitting and back to the utility coordinator. The WTP Generators project was awarded in January and is currently going thru the submittal phase.

Ryan then inquired whether there were any questions; no questions or discussion arose and no action was required.

Discussion and review of the Business Managers Report.

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to The Business Manager's Report [Tab 2,] to review account balance figures as of the end of February.

The New Project Fund has a balance of \$1,529,085.94.

Oneta Energy update: February bill submitted for \$91,200.88.

The Reserve Fund has a balance of \$7,145,293.48.

Chloramine conversion information to office.

Meeting with UTS regarding automated meter system.

Annual Audit Arrangements.

Thomas stated that he has spoken with Customer Service regarding anticipated phone calls related to the Chloramine conversion. We are anticipating the changeover on May 1, 2026.

Because we are required to provide customers with a 30-day notice, the notification letter must be included with the billing that goes out at the end of March. Ryan advised the board members that they may want to read up on the conversion in case questions arise from customers in the district. These questions may be directed to them through phone calls or during a board meeting.

The District met this past month with Utility Technology Services, the supplier of the Sensus meters currently installed throughout the District. The goal of the District is to automate the meter reading process so that meters can be read easily, quickly, and automatically. During the meeting, we discussed the possibility of completing a full conversion to an automated meter reading system. Converting the system would save the maintenance crew a significant amount of time, allowing them to focus on other maintenance and repair needs throughout the District.

The automated system would also give the District the ability to monitor meters that show continuous water usage over a 24-hour period. If continuous usage is detected, Customer Service Representatives could contact the customer and advise them to check for a possible water leak.

This capability would also help the District reduce and better track monthly water loss.

Thomas provided the Board with a letter from Bledsoe, Hewett & Gullekson advising them that the annual audit is approaching, Thomas stated that the audit has been scheduled to take place in the middle of August.

No questions or discussion arose on the Business Manager's Report and no action was required at this time.

Discussion and action regarding Disbursement Request # 49 for \$136,745.18 for WWTP.

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to [Tab 3]. Mr. Ryan Smith stated that this is Disbursement Request #49 for WTP for \$132,480.84 to be paid to Daris Construction, and \$4,264.34 to be paid to Poe Engineering. The disbursement request reflects activities on the project from January 26th, 2026 through February 25th, 2026. There were no construction weather delay days during this time period. Mr. Bart Morris entered a Motion to approve the disbursement request #49 for \$136,745.18, Mr. Gary Rogers Entered a Second to the Motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes, Mr. Bart Morris, yes.

The Motion to approve the disbursement request #49 for WTP for \$136,745.18, stands approved as presented.

Discussion and action regarding Pay Request #6, for Chloramine Conversion Project for \$83,948.23 to KBC Construction.

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to [Tab 4]. Mr. Ryan Smith stated that this is Pay Request #6 for Chloramine Conversion Project for \$83,948.23 to be paid to KBC Construction. The disbursement request reflects activities on the project from January 26th, 2026 through February 25th, 2026. There were no construction weather delay days during this time period. Mr. Bart Morris entered a Motion to approve the pay request #6 to KBC Construction for \$83,948.23, Mr. Gary Rogers Entered a Second to the Motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes, Mr. Bart Morris, yes.

The Motion to approve the pay request #6 to KBC Construction for \$83,948.23, stands approved as presented.

Discussion and review of Water Plant and distribution issues.

Mr. Lang reported that the water plant is running fairly well at this time. Staff has started the other Actiflo system and shut the previous one down. With this system in operation, the District is not losing as much sand; however, the turbidity level has increased slightly. The District will need to schedule a conference call with a representative from Kruger or Veolia to discuss the changes. It is likely that, following the call, an in-person meeting will be scheduled so the representative can inspect the filters, filter media, and the Actiflo system. There was no further discussion and no action required.

Discussion and review of Waste Water Plant and collection issues.

In regards to the Waste Water Treatment plant (WWTP) Rick reported that there was not much to discuss on the Waste Water Treatment plant. No other issues arose and no action was required.

Discussion and review of Oneta Power Activity & Variances.

The District's Business Manager, Mr. Thomas Faulk directed the Board's attention to Oneta activity variances [Tab 6]. He began to contrast the Oneta raw water activity for the year in terms of usage and revenue. [Note: this report is maintained on a calendar year basis.] The raw water usage for YTD was 161,000,000 gallons as compared to the prior year figure of 174,000,000 gallons, reflecting variance of -7.5%; corresponding revenue for YTD was \$59,911.27 contrasted with \$64,817.63 for the prior year reflecting a variance of -7.6%.

Chad Jester inquired whether there were any questions; none arose and no action was required.

Old Business

Mr. Rick Lang stated that there was no old business.

New Business.

Under the Open Meeting Act, this agenda item is authorized only for matters not known about or which could not have been reasonably foreseen prior to the time of posting the agenda or any revised agenda.

Mr. Lang reported that in [Tab 7] there are a few items. There is a permit from Oklahoma Environmental Quality regarding Tiger Trails and the Oak Grove Waterline 71st to 101st both are for the sanitary sewer and the potable water lines.

Claims Lists.

Mr. Faulk directed the Board to the Claims Lists [Tab 9]. Following the Board's review of the Claims List, Chad Jester inquired as to any questions or discussion. Mr. Jim Self entered a Motion that the Claims List be approved; Mr. Gary Rogers entered a Second to the Motion.

Roll Call: Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes, Mr. Bart Morris, yes.

The Motion to approve the claims list, stands approved as presented.

Review of Investment Statement.

Mr. Faulk referred the Board to the Investment Statement, [tab 10] to review the information. As of February 27th, the aggregate value has shown a increase in value from \$1,342,954.82 to \$1,356,414.01.

There was no further discussion and no action required.

Adjournment

With no further business to conduct, Mr. Gary Rogers Entered a Motion to Adjourn the Meeting; Bart Morris, Seconded the Motion. Roll call: Mr. Jim Self, yes; Mr. Gary Rogers, yes; Mr. Terry Hurst, yes, Mr. Chad Jester, yes, Mr. Bart Morris, yes. The Motion to Adjourn at 7:54 PM stands approved.

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