

**MAYES COUNTY RURAL WATER DISTRICT NO. 2**  
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**MINUTES OF REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING October 9, 2023**

The regular monthly board meeting of Rural Water District #2, Mayes County, Oklahoma was held at the District Office. The meeting was called to order by Vice-Chairman Amos Allen at 7:31 p.m.

Quorum was established – Members present: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin.

Members late: None

Members left early: None.

Members absent: Charles Coblenz and Johnny Diacon.

Employees present: Christopher Neel, Ryann Rotert, Thomas Rotert, and Kathy Waggoner.

Visitors present: None

A motion was made by Dale Yoder and seconded by John Hardin to approve the minutes of the September 11, 2023 meeting. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by John Hardin and seconded by John Cobb to approve September bills check numbers 20688–20716 plus 14 bills to be paid online, October payroll and postage in the amount of \$140,465.45. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Travis Mahurin and seconded by John Cobb to approve the following New Benefit Units: BU#s 3068, 3069, 3070 and 3071. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Ed Yoder and seconded by Travs Mahurin to approve the following benefit unit transfers: BU#s 986, 2344, 874, 2644, 1561, 42, 2908, 1999, 40-A, 2741 and 3042. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Ed Yoder and seconded by John Cobb to approve the execution of the Agreement for the Construction of the “2023 Valve Replacement Project” with DMD Construction, LLC. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by Dale Yoder and seconded by Travis Mahurin to approve Issuing a Notice to Proceed to DMD Construction, LLC for construction of the “2023 Valve Replacement Project”. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin. Voting no: None.

Manager Chris Neel gave a Manager’s report: Water loss is down to 6%. Still having to estimate Master B, new meter is not in yet as it has to be custom made. Making progress on MIU replacement; went through first order of 250 and have placed another order. Working on replacing older meters as well. Looking at whether a whole new system would be beneficial. Looking at pressure monitoring stations to add to SCADA. Each “kit” is all inclusive and costs approximately \$3,000.00. Rogers County 6 is still purchasing water, should be done soon. Would like to change out the meter at Sofidel and switch from the compounding meter. Unsure that we are getting accurate readings. Thinking about hiring a temporary part time helper for the office to help Kathy.

A motion was made by Michael Southern and seconded by Dale Yoder to create a temporary position for an indefinite time frame at \$15.00 per hour and less than 32 hours per week for Manager to fill ASAP. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin. Voting no: None.

Under New Business:

A motion was made by Michael Southern and seconded by Ed Yoder to approve check number 20717 to replace check number 20690 to Consolidated Communications (which was made unreadable due to ink spillage). The motion carried with the following voting yes: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin. Voting no: None.

A motion was made by John Hardin and seconded by John Cobb to approve rolling over any unused vacation time for Kathy Waggoner this year due to not being able to use it due to unforeseen extenuating circumstances. The motion carried with the following voting yes: Amos Allen, Michael Southern, John Hardin, Ed Yoder, John Cobb, Dale Yoder, and Travis Mahurin. Voting no: None.

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

The meeting was adjourned by Vice-Chairman Amos Allen at 8:44 p.m.

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**Secretary Treasurer**  
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