

## **RWD #4 – Franklin County Board Meeting Minutes June 11th, 2025**

Chairman, David Reeves called the meeting to order on June 11th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at 1506 Old Highway 50, Williamsburg, KS. Board members are present: Buddy Griffin, Blake Jorgensen, David Reeves and Bob Ramshaw. Mitch Roecker was late. Employees present: Phil DePriest, Ellie Roecker, Dan Mathias Patrons Jacob Guyett, Lloyd McClure were present as well.

**Proof of Meeting:** Ottawa Herald

**Minutes:** Buddy Griffin moved, and Bob Ramshaw seconded the motion to approve the minutes from May 14<sup>th</sup>, Motion passed 4/0.

**Interested Parties:** 1.) Dean Goodell, was absent.

**Communications:** 1.) Blake Jorgensen made a motion to raise water rates from \$8.00 per thousand gallons to \$9.00 per thousand gallons effective 6/12/25. Bob Ramshaw seconded the motion; motion carried with a 5/0 vote. 2.) Bob Ramshaw made a motion to pay Hettinger Excavation on their 3<sup>rd</sup> payment for the amount of \$274,113.00 Buddy Griffin seconded the motion; motion carried with a 5/0 vote. 3.) Buddy Griffin made a motion to buy a new lawn mower since the old one isn't running well. Mitch Roecker seconded the motion. Motion carried, with a 5/0 vote. 4.) Buddy Griffin made a motion to sell the old cub cadet mower the district owns for scrap price for \$100 to Phil, Mitch Roecker seconded the motion, motion carried with a 5/0 vote. 5.) Ellie got quotes from Cunningham to sandblast and repaint the inside & outside and also replace the old ladder inside Chippewa Tower. Bob Ramshaw made a motion to sandblast and repaint the outside & inside of Chippewa tower & fix the ladder for \$72,625.00 Mitch Roecker seconded the motion, motion carried with a 5/0 vote.

**Old Business:** 1.) Line project payments 2.) EMC Insurance check 3.) Line project inspection report 4.) EMC updated paperwork 5.) CD Renewals.

**New Business:** 1.) CD renewal 2.) Updated emergency water supply plan 3.) Sanitary Inspection report from KDHE 4.) Sample stations 5.) Cunningham quotes for Chippewa Tower 6.) Approve 3<sup>rd</sup> payment for line project.

**Operator Report:** 1) Ottawa Booster pumped 4.5 M in May and the well pumped 1.1 M in May. 2.) We had 1 leak repair on Florida & Jackson Rd. 3.) New meter set on Indiana Rd. 4.) A/C in Phil's truck got fixed. 5.) The water pump in Dan's truck went out and we got a new one put in it. 6.) The mixer in Milliken tower went down, it's still under warranty and a new one is getting installed soon. 7.) Got new phones for Dan and Phil. 8.) Line project from Florida & Old 50 to Colorado & Old 50 is mostly complete, they are getting the line charged up. We are waiting for it to get pressure tested and samples sent into a KDHE certified lab to make sure we can start using that portion of the new line. 9.) We had our KDHE sanitary inspection on May 28<sup>th</sup> it went very well. The only thing we must do is cut trees by Weigand tower and 1 tree by the well. 10.) We found a new kind of sample station that go directly into meter pits, vs the other kind we talked about that requires a pedestal sticking out. The new ones we found cost \$1,069 a piece, and the sampling stick costs separately, we need 10 total sample stations and only 1 sampling stick. Phil asked the board if we could purchase 1 and see how well it works and order the rest once we get the first one installed and see how well they fit in the meter pits. Buddy Griffin made a motion to order 1 sampling station for \$1,069 and a sample stick to try out Blake Jorgensen seconded the motion; motion carried with a 4/0 vote.

**Office Manager Report:** 1) We had 72 delinquent accounts for the month of May and billed out \$833.90 in late fees. 2.) I haven't seen the Ottawa contract from Scott I emailed him earlier this week, and they should be getting it to us soon. 3.) The warranty on the tractor is going to expire 7/30/25 and the board is going to look into prices on getting an extended warranty on it. 4.) Ellie is going to be gone in the afternoon on the 24<sup>th</sup> 5.) Ellie is also going to leave at 12:00 on July 3<sup>rd</sup>. 5.) We have another CD that is going to renew on June 15<sup>th</sup> Blake Jorgensen made a motion to roll it back into Patriots bank at 5% if they still offer that rate by Monday the 16<sup>th</sup>, Mitch Roecker seconded the motion. Motion carried with a 5/0 vote.

**Transfer BUC's:** #0786 Siemons to Turner/Calamaio  
#0204 Shaffer to Maggio

Buddy Griffin made a motion to approve the transfer of the meters, Blake Jorgensen seconded the motion, motion carried. With a 5/0 vote.

**New BUC's:** None

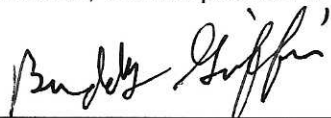
**Forfeited Meters:** None.

**Bills:** The following bills were presented to the Board for payment: Buddy Griffin moved, and Mitch Roecker seconded the motion to pay the bills. Motion passed with a 5/0 vote.

Electric Bills	1,722.24
Ks Sales Tax	629.00
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	3,599.98
Verizon	181.45
Payroll	11,870.79
Kansas One Call	73.15
Board Compensation	500.00
Rafter JK Services	1,620.00
Core & Main	712.95
United States Treasury	137.19
BG Consultants	24,216.50
KRWA	75.00
Hawkins Inc,	618.43
Hettinger Excavating LLC	577,733.00

The next Regular Board Meeting will be on July 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025.  
Study Session on July 3<sup>rd</sup>

With no further discussion, David Reeves, made the motion to adjourn the meeting Bob Ramshaw seconded the motion, motion passed with a 5/0 vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:40 p.m.



Secretary 7/9/2025