

RWD #4 – Franklin County Board Meeting Minutes May 14th, 2025

Chairman, David Reeves called the meeting to order on May 14th, 2025, at 7:00 p.m. at 1506 Old Highway 50, Williamsburg, KS. Board members are present: Buddy Griffin, Mitch Roecker, Blake Jorgensen, David Reeves, and Bob Ramshaw. Employees present: Phil DePriest, Ellie Roecker, Dan Mathias. Patrons Jacob Guyett & Logan & Shelby Horne

Proof of Meeting: Ottawa Herald

Minutes: Blake Jorgensen moved, and Buddy Griffin seconded the motion to approve the minutes from April 9th, April 16th, and April 21st meetings. Motion passed 5/0.

Interested Parties: Logan & Shelby Horne came to the meeting wanting to know if we can dig up Colorado Rd instead of a bore for a future line extension, the board told them that would be fine, we can get a permit from the county to do so.

Communications: 1.) Buddy Griffin made a motion to pay Hettinger Excavating \$577,733.00 when we get the second payment from KDHE for the line project Bob Ramshaw seconded the motion, motion carried with a 5/0 vote. 2.) Buddy Griffin made a motion to make Phillip DePriest the District Manager. Mitch Roecker seconded the motion, motion carried with a 5/0 vote.

Old Business: 1.) Advantage Computer Contract Renewal 2.) Employee Evaluations 3.) CD Renewals 4.) Grant Program 2302 5.) Easement update 6.) Housing Division

New Business: 1.) Line Project Payments 2.) EMC Insurance Check 3.) Line project inspection report 4.) EMC updated paperwork 5.) CD Renewals

Operator Report: 1) Ottawa Booster pumped 4.8 M in April and the well pumped 706 K in April. 2.) The meter was relocated for Scheckel's from Butler Rd to Clark Rd. Flush valve and meter pit were removed as well, the flush valve got relocated to Idaho Rd across from Johnson's house. 3.) We drained and refilled Emerald standpipe 4.) trees mulched on John Brown Rd & Delaware South of the intersection on the West side. 5.) Line at Old 50 & Iowa Rd 2 ½" had to cut it, fiber/boring company hit it while trying to do a bore. We ended up capping it off, property owner on the N/E corner wants meter installed going to try to figure out the best way to get the meter installed since line got capped off. 6.) We took 5 samples to the lab this month. 7.) KDHE will be here May 28th at 10:00 for the sanitary inspection we have to get every 3 years. 8.) Taking the truck into the shop to get the air conditioner fixed. 9.) sample stations, already approved at a previous meeting, didn't know if we could still get them installed, the board said yes. We will get locations picked out and send them to KDHE for approval and get them installed. 10.) The line on Florida Rd has been hit numerous times from trying to put the new water line in. 11.) The Prices said they have dirty water, it is more than likely from the line being hit on the water line project, going to pull a sample from their house and see exactly what it is.

Office Manager Report: 1) We had 50 delinquent accounts for the month of April and billed out \$832.11 in late fees. 2.) Ellie is going to get the computer to try and update to Windows 11 this month since Windows 10 will be discontinued in October of 2025. 3.) Ellie got her notary membership renewed for 4 years, it was cheaper than doing it yearly. 4.) Microsoft 365 will go up from \$100 to \$130 5.) Emailed Scott from the Public Works department in Ottawa about our contract with the City of Ottawa, he said they should have it to us at the end of May or Early June since we have to have it back to them within 12 months of expiration. 5.) Buddy Griffin

moved to renew CD #9889 back into Patriots Bank at 4.89% 5% APY Mitch Roecker seconded the motion, motion carried with a 5/0 vote.

Transfer BUC's: #0521 Ludwick to Bellamy/Smith
 #0336 Lynch to Lynch
 #0027 Scheckel to Adkinson
 #0401 Erickson to Johnson

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

New BUC's: #0938 Natasha Belcher/Donald Hess

Bob Ramshaw made a motion to approve the purchase of the new meter, Buddy Griffin seconded the motion, motion carried. With a 5/0 vote.

Forfeited Meters: None.

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

Electric Bills	1,783.04
Ks Sales Tax	504.00
Blue Cross & Blue Shield	2,893.84
Verizon	181.45
Payroll	10,399.13
Kansas One Call	73.15
Board Compensation	1,400.00
Ottawa COOP	570.00
Kansas Health & Environment Lab	305.00
Ranson Financial Consultants	12,613.86
Hawkins Inc.	377.72
Water Systems Engineering	180.00
D & S Sanitation	250.00
Rafter JK Services LLC	12,771.20
Lloyd Harold	7,057.50
BG Consultants	29,468.31
Home Base	11.96
Ellie Roecker	159.46
Core & Main	4,249.66
Hettinger Excavation LLC	223,003.00

The next Regular Board Meeting will be on June 11th, 2025.

With no further discussion, Mitch Roecker moved, and Buddy Griffin seconded the motion to adjourn. Motion passed 5/0. The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 p.m.



Secretary 6/11/2025