

**MINUTES OF THE AUGUST 26, 2025 REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE ORANGEFIELD WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION**

A regular meeting was held **AUG 26, 2025** at **OWSC Office 9913 FM 105, Orange, Texas 77630**. The following members of the Board were present:

Jared Banken	Delana Huebel (arrived at 6:14)	LaRisa King
Robert Simonton	Mary Nixon	
Don McLemore	Chris Kethan	

Also present were Jason Engle, General Manager, Anna Seale OWSC Attorney's, Rodney Shoemaker, OWSC Employee.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Convene Meeting, followed by Invocation. *Director Banken opened the meeting a quorum being present, the meeting was called to order at 6:02 p.m*

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Recognize guest. No guest in attendance.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Open the floor to members of the public or of the Board of Directors of the Governing Authority for inquiries about a subject not listed on the Agenda. Speakers shall be requested to limit their remarks to three (3) minutes or less. Specific factual information, or existing policy, may be stated in response to an inquiry. Any Deliberation or decision about the subject of the inquiry shall be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the Agenda for a subsequent Regular or Special Board Meeting. Public can participate via the teleconference number due to COVID-19 restrictions.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Swearing in and oath of new board member. *New Board Member Chris Kethan was sworn in by OWSC's Attorney Anna Seale, the required documents were signed and notarized.*

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: Minutes for any previous Meeting (s) not previously approved. *Minutes from the July 22nd meeting were presented, Director Nixon made a motion to approve the minutes as presented. Discussion was held. Director King seconded. Motion Passed.*

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Financial Report:

- a. Approve expenses to be paid (budgeted but in excess of \$1500, or unbudgeted)
- b. Ratify expenses already paid (budgeted and not more than \$1500)
- c. Approve subject to audit-financial statements for previous accounting period(s) not yet approved.

Financials were presented. Discussion was held. Expenses were ratified. General Manager gave an update on Live Oak Bank. Director Nixon made a motion to approve all financial reports as presented. Director Simonton seconded. Motion passed.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Manager's Report: Any new business:

General Manager Jason Engle presented the monthly report. He informed the Board that Gean Hammett is no longer an employee. Information was also given RE: the need to purchase 2 used trucks and to possibly auction other trucks to help with purchasing the trucks. Discussion was held. Director Nixon made a motion to approve Managers report. Director Simonton seconded. Motion passed.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: To discuss and possible approval to purchase a ZX50 excavator from ASCO Equipment's and trade in 2017 Bobcat E55 excavator against purchase price. *General Manager, Jason Engle explained the options for purchasing the new excavator, to either purchase for the full amount or*

finance at an amount of 0% interest for 36 months. Discussion was held. Director Simonton made a motion to approve financing the purchase of excavator . Director Banken seconded. Motion passed.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Update and possible action on Well 1 & 2 repairs and updates. General Manager Jason Engle gave updates on the repairs of the wells. Discussion was held. No Board action was required.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Discussion and action concerning selecting an Engineer to provide engineering services for the US Economic Development Administration (EDA) FY2025 EDA Disaster Supplemental Project. Discussion was held. Director Simonton made a motion to approve the selection of Fulcrum Engineering for engineering services PENDING LEGAL. Seconded by Director Nixon. Motion passed.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 11: Discussion and action concerning selecting a Grantsman Firm to provide grantsmanship and administrative services for the US Economic Development Administration (EDA) FY2025 EDA Disaster Supplemental Project. Discussion was held. Director Nixon made a motion to approve the selection of Grantsman Firm for grantsmanship services PENDING LEGAL. Seconded by Director Simonton. Motion passed.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 12: Set date, time and place for next Regular Meeting. Regular Board meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 23th at Orangefield Water Supply Office 9913 FM 105, Orange, Tx at 6:00 om.

AGENDA ITEM NO.13: Adjourn. Director Nixon made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Director Simonton seconded. Motion passed. Meeting was adjourned at 7:35.

President of the Board

ATTEST: _____
Secretary of the Board