

Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the

**Board of Directors,
Cleveland County Rural Water District #1**

Thursday, June 12, 2025
7:00pm at the District Office (11341 SH 39 East)

The agenda for the meeting was posted at the meeting location on June 10, 2025 @ 8:45am.

1. Call to order and roll call.

The meeting was called to order by Chairman Richard Murnan at 7:04. The Board members in attendance were Jeannie Salmon, Jo Ann Miller, Robert Grisham, Gary Koehn, and Richard Murnan. All Board members were present.

2. Accept minutes of past meeting(s).

- a. A motion was made by Jeannie Salmon and seconded by Robert Grisham to accept the May 8, 2025, Regular meeting minutes with minor modifications on agenda items 3(a) and 3(d), removal of a repetitive statement in agenda 4(b), change of “flooding” to “flood” in agenda item 4(g), and a date correction from May 8 to June 12 in agenda item 11. Voice vote was unanimous in favor, and the motion was carried.

3. Consider actions in support of construction.

- a. Regional water project:
 - i. On May 28, 2025, Alexander Newman with EPA provided a letter stating our District was approved for the 20% matching waiver, therefore the \$4M Community Grant is now available for new lines to areas in Slaughterville and south of Noble. Conversations with the Indian Health Service (IHS) will begin since they have hinted funds would be available once the EPA funds have been secured.
- b. County ARPA project:
 - i. The permit application for the three (3) new water wells and approximately 15 miles of waterline and appurtenance remains on review with ODEQ. OWRB is currently considering covering the construction permit fee for this work (Payment Request #3). The permit for the 150,000-gallon elevated water tower has been approved and is ready for requesting bids.
- c. OWRB ARPA project:
 - i. The State of Oklahoma Legislature moved the State administered ARPA's deadline to June 1, 2026, even though the ARPA deadline is actually December 31, 2026. The new deadline now only allows 4.5 months in 2026 for completing two water wells in the Lexington Wildlife Management Area (LWMA) with associated water mains and service roads. The LWMA does not allow construction between October 1, 2025, to January 15, 2026, due to hunting season.
- d. Other items as introduced:
 - i. Cleveland County and OWRB have both agreed to change their associated project scopes such that the OWRB ARPA will now center of the construction of the 150,000-gallon water tower next to your District's

Office/Shop. The County ARPA will continue addressing the approximate 15 miles of additional water mains within our existing system, plus the three additional water wells in the LWMA will now be constructed primarily using County ARPA funds. This change will provide the time needed to use the OWRB funds to be expended before the State's June 1, 2026, OWRB new project deadline.

- e. ODEQ Permit WLSC250542 received June 10, 2025
 - i. This permit allows a 2" water main extension from our standpipe facility extending west approximately 1000 feet to a flush valve. The water main is located on utility easements approximately 10 feet to the south of the Moffatt Road easement.
 - f. No other items were introduced.

4. **Consider actions in support of operations.**

- a. The Monthly Operator's Report was provided by Royce Hinkle.
 - i. In May, ODEQ conducted an inspection of the well locations and listed two items that need attention. Flush valves at each well need rock to break water flow when flushing the water wells. They also stated the lids covering the well meters need to have some way to be locked.
 - ii. The City of Lexington's air scrubber (water treatment device) repairs are still on hold awaiting notification from the repair company in Minnesota that they are ready to start the repair.
 - iii. Our chlorine building had a failure of the original GFI outlet that drives our chlorine dosing pumps.
- b. The status of the two stationary generators is estimated for delivery in August.
- c. The 1.83 acres around the District's standpipe fenced area was purchased on May 14, 2025. The title company that handled the closing (First American Title Co. in Norman, OK) adjusted the final cost by \$1,004.76 and the returned funds were placed back into the County ARPA account. The adjustment consisted of (1) the refund of earnest money (\$1,000), (2) reduction in the county filing fee (\$4.00), and (3) the removal of estimated county property taxes of (\$0.76).
- d. There are five possible new meter installations:
 - i. Leland Johnson at 16140 168th Street,
 - ii. Julie Kleckner at 19401 144th Street, and
 - iii. Matthew and Janell Maral at 14600 Flat Armadillo Road.
 - iv. Jason and Velvadene Bohall at 9651 96th Street.
 - v. Angela Alcazar at Lot #3 Moffatt Road.

There has been a meter transfer for Bogers to Boyd (still awaiting paperwork from Boyd).

- e. The OWRB ARPA has covered the expenses to modify the Well #3 meter vault to replace the well water meter and install a new drain line to eliminate excessive ground water accumulation.
- f. The access road from 180th Street to Well #2 has received flooding damage such that the culvert is partially exposed and part of the gravel roadway has been washed away. A new culvert (3'x24') is \$1069.00 from Dub Ross in OKC and can be delivered. Xtreme Utilities can install the culvert. Richard Murnan has another local contact that could do the work as well. This roadway is important to transport well drilling equipment during installation of the new water wells. OWRB ARPA funding is being requested to cover this expense.

- g. No additional vendors will be added to the routine monthly invoices.
- h. Gary Koehn provided information on his search for security equipment.
- i. No other items were introduced.

5. **Consider requests for non-routine expenditure.**

- a. No other items were introduced.

6. **Review external interactions since last regular Board meeting.**

- a. No external meetings occurred.

7. **Chairman's report.**

- a. No other information was introduced that had not previously been discussed.

8. **Vice Chairman's report.**

- a. There have been discussions on unloading the generators using the front-end loader on the District's tractor. The generators are listed at the limit of the lift weight for our tractor's front-end loader.
- b. Copies of the stationary generator drawing were made and available for possible concrete work.

9. **Secretary's report.**

- a. No other information was introduced that had not previously been discussed.

10. **Treasurer's report.**

- a. The Treasurer Report for June was reviewed. A motion was made by Gary Koehn and seconded by Jo Ann Miller to approve the report. The roll call vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.
- b. A motion was made by Richard Murnan and seconded by Gary Koehn to transfer \$60,000 from the First Fidelity Interest Only account to the McClain Bank accounts. The roll call vote was unanimous, and the motion carried.

11. **Consider date and place of next regular meeting.**

- a. The next regular board meeting was scheduled for July 10, 2025. The meeting location will be at the District Office/Shop.

12. **Identify prior actions and agenda items for next regular meeting.**

- a. Items that were mentioned:
 - i. Security system.
 - ii. Fencing around new property.
 - iii. Concrete pads for Stationary Generators.

13. **Public comments.**
No members of the public were present.

14. **Adjourn.**
The meeting was adjourned at 9:09pm with a motion by Gary Koehn and seconded by Jo Ann Miller. Voice vote was unanimous in favor and the motion carried.

Jo Ann Miller
Jo Ann Miller, Secretary
Cleveland County Rural Water District #1