Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting for
BASTROP COUNTY WATER CONTROL
AND IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT #2

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Bastrop County Water Control and Improvement District #2 was held on Thursday, April 16, 2026, beginning at 6:30 p.m. The meeting was held at the District office, located at 112 Corporate Drive.

Present BCWCID #2 Board Members:
Mary Beth O'Hanlon, President
Scott Ferguson, VP
Michele Plummer, Secretary
Ron Whipple, Director
Ruth Bullock, Treasurer

BCWCID #2 Staff:
Paul Hightower, General Manager
Patricia Lujan, District Administrator
Darrel Culberson, District Comptroller
Tyler Walsh

Absentees

Remote Participation
Tony Corbett

1.) Call to Order and Establish a Quorum – O'Hanlon

By: MaryBeth O'Hanlon Time: 6:30PM

2.) Salute to Flags – O'Hanlon

3.) Public Comments/Announcements:

No public comments.

4.) Discussion and possible action regarding schedule of future meeting dates:
a. Regular Board of Director's Meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 21, 2026 at 6:30 p.m.

Mrs. O'Hanlon stated that the District's next board meeting was on April 16th. Director Whipple stated that he would be out of town. All other Board Members stated they should be there.

No further comments or suggestions.

Approved

5.) CONSENT AGENDA:

a. Approval of minutes from the March 19, 2026 Meeting of the Board of Directors;
b. Approval of monthly financial reports for March 2026; and
c. Approval of Release of Liens held by District on Real Property.

No comments regarding the Board Meeting minutes.

Darrel Culberson presented the District's read the financials as presented in the packet.

Paul Hightower read the Release of Liens as noted in the report.

Board expressed no issues or concerns.

Mrs. O'Hanlon called the question.

Motion: Scott Ferguson moved to approve the Consent Agenda.

Second: Ron Whipple

Vote: Five (5) in favor, motion carries.

6.) Discussion regarding the following items to be presented in the General Manager's report:
a. Update on District facilities, water plants and lift stations
b. Update on Water/Wastewater Maintenance & Improvement projects
c. Employee & Administrative Update

Mr. Hightower read the GM report as posted in the Board packet.

No further comments or discussion.

7.) Discussion related to Capital Improvement Projects to be funded with bond proceeds– Hightower

John from SPI Engineering presented an Elevated storage update to the Board. SPI is proposing a 4-500k gallon tower stating that the 400k will get us up to date but that if the District could afford the extra, its more advantageous to go ahead with the 500k to support future growth and better fire flow capability. Paul Hightower stated that he had approved the pre-bid documents and its been sent to the newspaper and CiviCast for bids. We will have a bid opening on June 4th at the office and be able to present a proposal at the June Board Meeting. John also mentioned some new grant funds coming available to Water Districts and that we would line up a meeting to discuss this. Mr. Hightower stated that he and staff were already working on this and that he would share the meeting notes with SPI once they had them together.

No further comments or discussion.

Approved

8.) Discussion and possible action related to Engagement of Patillo, Hill & Brown for FY 2025 Financial Audit – Hightower

Paul Hightower read the engagement letter as shown in the packet.

No further comments or actions.

Mrs. O'Hanlon called the question.

Motion: Ruth Bullock moved to approve the engagement letter as shown

Second: Scott Ferguson

Vote: Five (5) in favor, motion carries

9.) Discussion and possible action related to a Water Interconnect ILA with the City of Bastrop – Hightower

Mr. Hightower stated that it's still being reviewed by the City.

No further comments or action.

10.) Discussion regarding cybersecurity training required for public officials - Corbett

Tony Corbett stated that due to a Legislative change, all publicly elected officials must go through a Cybersecurity training. It was free for the District and Tony was going to supply the necessary link for us to share with everyone. Mr. Hightower stated that he would send the link out and then complete the paperwork once everyone let him know.

No further comments or discussion.

11.) Discussion regarding Road District Funds – Commissioner Carmack

Commissioner Carmack presented to the Board, that they are wanting to take the left over road funds and reinvest them in the Community to upgrade or make necessary repairs to the water system. He stated that this was a great move and use for the funds, which saves the County money in the long run, when we don't have to dig the roads up for new lines. Mr. Carmack stated that both the County and the Districts attorney had spoken about this. Tony Corbett agreed that he was in favor of this and stated that the monies had to be used for water system repairs or upgrades. Mr. Hightower stated that we would indeed track the funds and the necessary orders to insure the money went to the right project. Mr. Hightower stated he had a soft meeting with the employees regarding using the funds and they are going to put together a new capital improvement plan on the current needs for repairs. Mr. Hightower stated that he had scheduled a capital improvement meeting with staff, when everyone was back from vacations.

Approved

12.) Board suggestions on future agenda items

ILA, Grant funding and elevated project update as needed.

13.) Adjourn 7:20 pm

Mrs. O'Hanlon called the question.

Motion: Michele Plummer moved to adjourn.

Second: Ruth Bullock

Vote: Five (5) in favor, motion carries.

Paul Hightower
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