FOSTERBURG WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES – BOARD MEETING
August 19, 2026

The regular meeting of the District Board was called to order by the Chairman at 7:00 p.m. at the District office. Additions to the agenda were O & M bills for approval.

Roll was called with the following board members present: Steve Ruppert, Robert Kercher, Kerry Bertels, Brad Huette and Jacob Goebel were present. Also present were Mark Voumard and Kim Owens. Steve Strohbeck and Tricia Sisk were absent.

DELGATIONS: None

The minutes of the July 15, 2026 meeting, copies of which had been forwarded to the Board, were reviewed.

> A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER SECONDED BY KERRY BERTELS THAT THE MINUTES FOR THE JULY MEETING BE APPROVED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The July Treasurer's report, a copy of which had been forwarded to the Board, was reviewed and questions answered. Income reported for July $394,798.28, bank interest $16,196.52, expenses $268,925.10 and depreciation $37,528.71 resulting in a profit of $104,049.71. Transfers among accounts for the months were also reported.

> A MOTION WAS MADE BY KERRY BERTELS AND SECONDED BY ROBERT KERCHER THAT THE JULY TREASURER'S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AS PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

O & M bills for August previously sent to the Board, were presented along with additional bills for discussion and payment approval and questions were answered.

> A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER AND SECONDED BY BRAD HUETTE THAT THE AUGUST O & M BILLS BE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT AND CHECKS BE ISSUED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ROLL CALL VOTE 5-0.

OLD BUSINESS

WORK REPORT: O&M worked on GPSing and backing it up. The line near Stutz Excavating keeps breaking. Discussion on possible upgrading.

Bulk Load Report:

Culp Lane	$195.75	40,800 gal	52.10 gal/cn
Prairietown	$113.00	24,700 gal	54.64 gal/cn

MANAGER REPORT: IAW rate increase decision has been extended to the end of the year.

Illinois Alluvial – Phase 1B funding of $56M will be funded by IEPA Revolving Loan Fund. Optic fiber is being placed under the water line for communication purposes of the meters. Administration fees for Alluvial equal approximately $5 per customer. Each entity was asked to contribute every month or annually. Our total is $16,120 per year.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BRAD HUETTE AND SECONDED BY ROBERT KERCHER THAT FOSTERBURG WATER CONTRIBUTES AN ANNUAL PAYMENT TO THE ALLUVIAL FOR THE ADMINISTRATION FEES. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ROLL CALL VOTE 5-0.

Phase V – Loan closing with Rural Development is scheduled for September 2, 2026.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Adoption of a Resolution "Authorizing and Providing for the Incurrence of Indebtedness for the Purpose of Providing a Portion of the Cost of Acquiring, Constructing, enlarging, Improving, and/or Extending Fosterburg Water District's Water System" - Two loans will be taken out one for $4,223,000 at 3% and a second for $507,000 at 3.75%. Annual payments will be approximately $200,000 for 40 years. Interest payments will be required until the construction is done and loan transfers to bonds. An increase of $7,000 per month in short lived assets will be transferred to a surplus account.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KERRY BERTELS AND SECONDED BY JACOB GOEBEL AUTHORIZING THE LOAN FOR $4,223,000 FROM USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ROLL CALL VOTE 5-0.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BRAD HUETTE AND SECONDED ROBERT KERCHER AUTHORIZING THE LOAN FOR $507,000 FROM USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ROLL CALL VOTE 5-0.

B. Adoption of an ordinance "Authorizing the Issuance of Waterworks System Revenue Bonds of the Fosterburg Water District, Madison County, Illinois and Authoring Certain Actions and Documents and Prescribing Other Matters Relating Thereto"

A MOTION WAS MADE BY JACOB GOEBEL AND SECONDED BY KERRY BERTELS TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR $4,223,000 TO EVIDENCE THE LOAN FROM USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ROLL CALL VOTE 5-0.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER AND SECONDED BY BRAD HUETTE TO ADOPT THE ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF BONDS FOR $507,000 TO EVIDENCE THE LOAN FROM USDA RURAL DEVELOPMENT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ROLL CALL VOTE 5-0.

C. Notice to proceed with contract between Fosterburg Water and MB Construction.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER AND SECONDED BY KERRY BERTELS AUTHORIZING THE CHAIRMAN TO EXECUTE A CONTRACT WITH MB CONSTRUCTION ON THE PHASE V PROJECT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

D. Authorization to approve Resident Project Representatives for the Phase V construction.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KERRY BERTELS AND SECONDED BY BRAD HUETTE AUTHORIZING THE RESIDENT PROJECT REPRESENTATIVES ON THE PHASE V PROJECT. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

E. Authorization to disburse funds from the loan on September 2, 2026 for legal in the amount of $75,935 and engineering in the amount of $73,275 along with the proceed to Fosterburg Water District.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY ROBERT KERCHER AND SECONDED BY JACOB GOEBEL AUTHORIZING THE DISBURSEMENT #1 FROM THE LOAN FUNDS TO PAY LEGAL AND ENGINEERING ALONG WITH COLLECTING THE PROCEEDS. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY WITH ROLL CALL VOTE 5-0.

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

Kimberlee J Owens
Secretary/Treasurer