

FOSTERBURG WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES – BOARD MEETING
March 18, 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 Strohbeck, Robert Kercher, Kerry Bertels, Brad Huette, Steve Ruppert, Tricia Sisk and Jacob Goebel were present. Also present were Mark Voumard and Kim Owens.

DELGATIONS: None

The minutes of the February 18, 2026 meeting, copies of which had been forwarded to the Board, were reviewed.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY KERRY BERTELS SECONDED BY BRAD HUETTE
THAT THE MINUTES FOR THE FEBRUARY MEETING BE APPROVED.
MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

The February Treasurer's report, a copy of which had been forwarded to the Board, was reviewed and questions answered. Income reported for February \$344,779.06, bank interest \$8,102.14, expenses \$284,546.12 and depreciation \$37,919.99 resulting in a profit of \$29,855.57. Transfers among accounts for the months were also reported.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BRAD HUETTE AND SECONDED BY STEVE
RUPPERT THAT THE FEBRUARY TREASURER'S REPORT BE ACCEPTED AS
PRESENTED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

O & M bills for March 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 STEVE
RUPPERT THAT THE MARCH O & M BILLS BE APPROVED FOR PAYMENT
AND CHECKS BE ISSUED. MOTION PASSED UNANIMOUSLY.

OLD BUSINESS

WORK REPORT: O&M worked on checking leaks and locates. Lightening hit the transformer at the pumphouse and it is on our side. Wiring cost \$6k but the insurance deductible is \$5k. The generator did run well for 2 days.

Bulk Load Report:

Culp Lane	\$159.25	37,900 gal	59.51 gal/cn
Prairietown	\$165.50	50,300 gal	76.02 gal/cn

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MANAGER REPORT: Illinois American proposed increase would be 15.8% the first year then 2.5% the next year resulting in 19% if the ICC approves it.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BRAD HUETTE TO PURCHASE A CAMERA. NO SECOND; MOTION FAILED.

Illinois Alluvial Regional Water Company update – Groundbreaking ceremony is April 9 at 11:00. Phillips has moved out. Manager suggested a cellular camera to monitor the site; cost would be \$300 for a 2 year plan.

Phase V – Community Project Funding did not select this project.

NEW BUSINESS

GPS Unit – Heneghan had previously lent their unit for use to store meter and line locations. It has experienced a catastrophic failure and will not reboot. Manager asked for permission to purchase one for Fosterburg Water District use; it would need to be compatible with Diamond Maps. Cost range is \$ 20-50k.

A MOTION WAS MADE BY BRAD HUETTE AND SECONDED BY STEVE RUPPERT TO ALLOW MARK VOUMARD TO PURCHASE A GPS UNIT UP TO \$55K. MOTION PASSED: STROHBECK-Y, RUPPERT-Y, KERCHER-N, BERTELS-Y, HUETTE-Y, SISK-ABSTAIN, GOEBEL-Y.

The Chairman declared the meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

Kimberlee Owens

Secretary/Treasurer