

Minutes
Oktoc Water Association
January 13, 2025
6:00 p.m.

The meeting was called to order by President Stewart with Mr. Henry Bush giving the invocation.

Board members present Joe Stewart, Henry Bush, Les Lindley, John Harper, and Kenneth Aasand.

A copy of the December 3, 2024 minutes was distributed and Mr. Stewart asked for a motion to approve. Kenneth Aasand made a motion to approve the minutes as presented with Herman Bush providing a second; motion passed.

President Stewart asked for approval of Les Lindley as Board Member to complete the open term of Robin Blocker. John Harper made a motion as the voice vote, which was announced on the December 2024 billing statement and mailed to all members, to appoint Les Lindley to complete the unexpired term of Robin Blocker with Kenneth Aasand providing a second; motion carried.

President Stewart announced that he had spoken with Cook Coggins and they were in the process of quoting the upgrade on the Well located on Akins Road. He stated also that Oktoc Water had not received any monies to pay Moody Construction and he was in contact with the appropriate people to get that taken care of. Lastly, President Stewart announced that Springer Engineering stated that they would have the plans for Oktoc Cabins by the February meeting for review.

Next, Secretary Aasand updated the board members and guests of the upcoming board meetings for 2025. He presented a budget summary for 2025 which contains information for prior year, present year and budgeted amounts for Oktoc Water. Next, Secretary Aasand distributed thumb drives that contained financial as well as various other information to all Board Members. The drive also contained two (2) rate studies that had been completed. He asked the Board Members to review them and at the upcoming Board meeting the rate studies would be discussed to help with setting new rates for Oktoc customers.

Ms. Ellen Thornton asked that, regarding the rate studies, Dr. Barrett be invited to the next Board meeting and discuss his findings. Secretary Aasand stated that he would invite him and see when Dr. Barrett would be available.

Next, Treasurer Harper announced that the Oktoc Water had a CD at the Bank of Commerce that would mature this month. He had contacted and researched several local banks and presented information regarding length and rates for the banks. After discussion, John Harper

made a motion that Oktoc Water would find a bank with rates and terms similar or better than what was currently being given and invest these monies before the CD term expires. Les Lindley seconded the motion; motion carried.

Trish Jones with GTPDD reported December payables. After review, Kenneth Aasand made a motion to pay the bills with John Harper providing a second. Motion carried.

Michael Tomlison gave stated that he had spoken with Joe Joe and they discussed rate studies as well as surrounding water associations rates. Mr. Tomlinson also announced that the Lead & Copper report should be completed by the end of the month. He was currently working on the 2019 report that he was asked to complete by the Board.

Next, Secretary Aasand noted two corrections/typos that needed to be addressed on the proposed By-Laws. Mr. Aasand then made a motion that with the two corrections, (Article VIII change the second Section 6 to 7; Article XII remove the first sentence "It is not anticipated he would approve the updated By-Laws and have the President have the appropriate personnel make any necessary changes and present them at the next Board Meeting; Les Lindley seconded the motion; motion carried.

Secretary Aasand noted that he would update all portals with the board members information and made a motion to adjourn until the February 10th. Les Lindley seconded the motion; motion carried.

Joe Stewart, President

Herman Bush, Vice-President

Kenneth Aasand, Secretary

John Harper, Treasurer

Les Lindley Board Member