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Subject: Minutes of the Board of Director's Meeting on April 23, 2025, are in summary only and, not a transcript of the recorded Meeting.

Attendees: Board - Sam Kier, Paul Williams, Kara Bathurst, Billy Malady, Dan Christy, Joe Spoon, Brandon Butts and Stella Clements. John Daugherty was absent.
Staff - Bruce Sorenson, Stacy Ellis, Michael Lentz, Bo Wilson, TJ Amstead, JoAnne Welden and Susan Isenburg.
Guests - Angie Amstead.

- 1. Called to Order and Establish Quorum – 6:00 pm**
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance and Honor to the Texas Flag.**
- 3. Open Session: None**

NEW BUSINESS

- 4. Discussion and possible action to approve March 26, 2025, Monthly Board of Director Meeting Minutes.**

Sam Kier made the motion to approve March 26, 2025, Monthly Board of Director Meeting Minutes. Paul Williams seconded the motion. 8 in favor and 0 opposed.

- 5. Discussion and possible action to approve March 27, 2025, Special Board of Director Meeting Minutes.**

Sam Kier made the motion to approve March 27, 2025, Special Board of Director Meeting Minutes. Kara Bathurst seconded the motion. 8 in favor and 0 opposed.

- 6. Discussion and possible action to approve the March 2025 Financial Statements.**

Stacy Ellis presented the Financial Statements to the Board. Paul Williams made the motion to approve the March 2025 Financial Statements. Stella Clements seconded the motion. 8 in favor. 0 opposed.

- 7. Discussion and possible action to approve Committee Meeting Minutes.**

- a) Customer/Member Relations Committee – March 28, 2025**

Billy Malady went over the details of the Customer/Member Relations Committee meeting and the recommendations made by the committee. Sam Kier made the motion to approve the Customer/Member Relations Committee recommendations. Dan Christy seconded the motion. 8 in favor. 0 opposed.

b) Tariff/Rates Committee – April 14, 2025

Sam Kier went over the details of the Tariff/Rates Committee meeting and the recommendations made by the committee. Dan Christy made the motion to approve the Tariff/Rates Committee recommendations. Paul Williams seconded the motion. 8 in favor. 0 opposed.

c) Budget/Financial/Planning Committee – April 14, 2025

Dan Christy went over the details of the Budget Committee meeting and the recommendations made by the committee. Sam Kier made the motion to approve the Budget Committee recommendations. Joe Spoon seconded the motion. 8 in favor. 0 opposed.

d) Policy Committee – April 14, 2025

Kara Bathurst went over the details of the Policy Committee meeting and the recommendations made by the committee. Kara Bathurst made the motion to approve the Policy Committee recommendations. Paul Williams seconded the motion. 8 in favor. 0 opposed.

8. Discussion and possible action regarding Old Business

No Old Business.

9. Manager's Report:

Bruce reviewed the report with the Board, noting that Lampasas costs to KWSC year-to-date total of \$280,262.45. He also explained the billing process as outlined in the current contract. He shared that the Alliance has successfully passed both chambers of the legislature and confirmed that he has once again updated the Long-Range Plan (LRP) to reflect current needs. All three projects approved tonight are included in the LRP and will support compliance efforts. We're continuing to explore backwash water solutions, with a target implementation by Year 3. Additionally, Buffalo Hills Subdivision broke ground this week.

Susan presented findings on the Business Reply Mail program, which charges only for returned envelopes. There is a permit fee, and the program requires a minimum return volume that we currently do not meet. Stacy offered to review the applicable laws and internal policies to determine whether we're obligated to include postage-paid envelopes with election packets.

Tj informed the Boards the caustic tank has been delivered, the high service pump motor has been replaced, and the new modules are on order (expected in 30-60 days). During this year's health check, we discovered that although telemetry showed everything as functional, the smart positioners, regulators, and compressed air meters were not operating properly. These have now been addressed, resolving issues with the air scrubber for the modules. With the plant now running correctly, water pressure is too low to clean the Forsta Filters.

Tj is coordinating with a Forsta engineer to find a solution. Lake water quality is excellent, enabling production of approximately 5,200 gallons per minute. Tj also reviewed the project list and generator status.

Bo shared that two recently replaced concrete valves were sandblasted and are being replumbed, resulting in significant savings. A new valve runs from \$8,000 to \$60,000 (depending on size) but refurbishing is expected to be about one-tenth of that. A recent BACT sample returned positive, despite good chlorine residuals. After retesting the upstream and downstream of the failed hydrant sample, the issue appears to be due to weep holes in the hydrant. The replacement sample was taken from the hose bib at the house instead.

10. Board of Directors' Announcements:

Paul Williams – I think it's important that we start sharing more of the positive work KWSC is doing. Right now, it feels like the only time people hear our name is when something's gone wrong—like a line break or a boil water notice

Joe Spoon – Nothing

Brandon Butts – Nothing

Stella Clements – Nothing

Sam Kier – Nothing

Dan Christy – Nothing

Kara Bathurst – Nothing

11. President's Comments:

Billy Malady acknowledged that it was a long meeting but emphasized that the introductions and added context were necessary—especially with new Board members coming on. He also noted that there was a lot of productive discussion throughout the meeting.

12. Adjourn:

Sam Kier made the motion to adjourn at 8:29 pm. Paul Williams seconded the motion.
8 in favor, 0 abstained.

Dan Christy, Secretary/Treasurer