

Rural Water District No. 1
Ellsworth County, Kansas a/k/a Post Rock Rural Water District
Regular Meeting Minutes
June 17, 2025

At 6:37 pm Chairman Bland called the meeting to order and called for roll call. Directors present at roll call: Director Bland, Director Teppe, Director Robbins, Director Wehrman, Director Griffith, Director Dolezal, Director Splitter, and Director Christy were present. Raymond Splitter was absent.

Staff present: Jon Wright, Angela Naegele, and Roxanne Stevenson
Others present: Leslee Rivarola (consultant), Ed Heffel (customer), Curtis Gregory, H&B Communications

Chairman Bland called for public comment. Ed Heffel addressed the Board with his concern on his water charges.

Chairman Bland asked if there were any additions to the agenda. None were offered. Chairman Bland called for a motion to approve the agenda. Director Dolezal motioned to approve the agenda as presented. Director Robbins seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

Chairman Bland called for discussion on the May 20, 2025 regular meeting minutes. None was offered. Chairman Bland called for a motion. Director Griffith motioned to approve the minutes. Director Dolezal seconded the motion. All directors present voted in favor of the motion.

Chairman Bland called for the next item on the agenda, a presentation from Curtis Gregory with H&B Communications, concerning digitizing and storage of files. Discussion followed.

Chairman Bland called for the next item on the agenda. Discussion followed. It was agreed that the average usage February, March and April would be used to adjust May usage for Ed Heffel account number 1486.

Chairman Bland called for the bills to be paid and expense report. There was a question on the expense of \$343.46 for welding on Tower #1 by Liebl Welding LLC. Mr. Wright explained that Tower #1 was not on the maintenance schedule with Viking Industrial Painting until 2027. We were preparing for a KDHE Inspection 6-9-25 and 6-10-25. The Tower needed repair to stay in compliance with KDHE. Discussion followed. Following discussion Chairman Bland called for a motion on the bills to be paid. Director Griffith motioned to pay the bills not to exceed the amount of \$185,873.49. Director Dolezal seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

Chairman Bland called for the next item on the agenda. Adoption of 2025 Region F Hazard Mitigation Resolution. Director Griffith motioned to approve Resolution # 202-06-17. Director Robbins seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

Chairman Bland called for the next item on the agenda. Board reports. Director Griffith would like to include other Caterer's in our District. Discussion followed.

Chairman Bland called for the next item on the agenda. General Manger's Report. Mr. Wright Reported that Viking Industrial Painting has begun repairs on Tower #5. They also inspected towers #1, 2, 3, 4 and 7. Tower 5 was inspected in 2024 and 6 in 2023.

Mr. Wright reported that the 2021 Audit Report was filed with the Office of Accounts and Reports. Payment for the filing is \$200.00 paid to Municipal Services. Mr. Wright has left a message for Mike with Trout Beeman to complete the 2022 audit. Also to complete the 2023 audit.

Mr. Wright has contacted Wilson & Company. We have received a Letter of Agreement for BPS improvements. We are changing from Chlorine gas to Bleach with a Magmeter. Mr. Wright reported that Wilson & Company need further items from Distribution and the Water Treatment Plant to finish updating the water model.

Mr. Wright reported that we have a patron who is requesting half of the credit balance on each of his two accounts to be refunded. The credit was due to the patron not reporting readings, and so it was estimating usage. The patron is a bank draft customer. We finally received current readings on both accounts. Director Teppe motioned refunding one-half the credit balance amount on each of the accounts. Director Dolezal seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor except Director Robbins. Motion carried.

At 8:10 pm Chairman Bland called for a 10-minute break.

At 8:20 pm Chairman Bland called the meeting back to order.

At 8:21 pm Chairman Bland called for a motion to go into executive session to discuss non-elected personnel. At 8:21 Director Christy motioned to recess into executive session for 10-minutes under K.S. A. 75-4319(b)(1) to discuss non-elected personnel with the justification to discuss and individual employee to include all Board members, Mr. Jon Wright and Ms. Leslee Rivarola. Director Griffith seconded the motion. All members voted in favor of the motion.

At 8:32 pm, the Board reconvened into open session.

Chairman Bland called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. At 8:37 pm Director Griffith motioned to adjourn the meeting. Director Dolezal seconded the motion. All members present voted in favor of the motion.

Respectfully Submitted:


Secretary/Treasurer

7-15-25
Date