

**MINUTES OF MONTHLY MEETING  
OPERATION BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
LOST BRIDGE VILLAGE WATER AND SEWER  
IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS NOS. 1 AND 2  
BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS**

October 14, 2025

The monthly meeting of the Operation Board of Commissioners of Lost Bridge Village Water and Sewer Improvement Districts No. 1 and No. 2 of Benton County, Arkansas was held at 9:00 AM on the fourteenth day of October 2025 via Zoom video conference application and in person. The following were present, including most of the Commissioners.

<u>Operations Commissioners</u>	<u>Staff</u>	<u>Commissioners</u>	<u>Guests</u>
John Buhr	Stacy Thompson	Joe Zgut	John Metrailer
Corey Cannon		Mike Ramsey	
Keith Arnold			

**Guest:**

-John Metrailer stated Seven Valleys has received one of the pump stations. They have it in storage. They will wait till they have received all of them to start the project. Hopefully by the end of the month. The goal is to do 1 lift station per week and start the lift stations after each installation. Stacy Thompson mentioned an email received from ANRC stating with the change order, we are \$168 over the allotted amount. John Metrailer stated when he did the figuring, he accidentally left off what was paid to legal. It was discussed that when we request repayment on what has been paid to engineers, we will deduct it by \$168.

-John Buhr asked John Metrailer if he had any input on the reconsolidation of water systems after the meeting. John Metrailer stated he spoke with Holiday Island, and they run off several wells. He stated that it could be an option for us to go back to the well if we chose to go that route. Discussion was had, John Metrailer asked if the board would like him to come to the next regionalization follow up meeting on October 28th. The board decided to wait and see what is discussed at that meeting to decide if we need John to come to another meeting.

**WATER SYSTEM OPERATOR'S REPORT and WASTEWATER SYSTEM OPERATOR'S REPORT:**

- Corey Cannon stated we are still running off the main line. The tank should be sanitized next week. Once we get clean samples back, we can fill the tank back up and start running off it. We will start on the upper tank once we get another pump online. Discussion was made on the increase of pressure since running through the main. Options on increasing pressure once transferred back to the tank were made. Discussion was made on an alert system for both tanks to keep from overflowing.

-Corey Cannon mentioned there was epoxy put on the tank, however, the metal is very thin. USG stated they will get a price quote on what our options are.

-Corey Cannon discussed putting a new fire hydrant across the street from the lower tank on the main in order to have a better pressured hydrant in the lower village. It could also help with the ISO score.

- Joe Zgut asked if there was any kind of impact on draining and filling the tank. Stacy Thompson stated the only impact will be on water loss.

-Stacy Thompson mentioned the guys were out with our Fenix rep going around looking at the end points that they are not getting readings. She is hoping to have a plan by the end of the day. Stacy asked approval to order more meters and endpoints. The board approved to buy 50 meters and 50 endpoints.

- Corey Cannon stated Justin Lansdell was going to get some filters for the wastewater motors. There was discussion on what type of filters. Discussion was also made about the doghouse around the pumps on what the board wants to do. The one doghouse has reduced the noise level. Mike Ramsey stated the manufacturer of the pumps are in the process of manufacturing their own cabinets. After discussion, Corey Cannon stated he will get a game plan and report back to the board next month.

-Corey Stated the guys changed two tires on the old truck and will replace the other two. One tire on the new truck was replaced

### **BUSINESS REPORT:**

-**Minutes:** John Buhr recommended one change, change the word "go" to "got". No other discussion was made. Mike Ramsey made a motion to accept the minutes with the changes. Joe Zgut seconded. All approved.

### **FINANCIALS:**

No questions on the financials by the board were asked. Keith Arnold made a motion to approve the financials for September. Joe Zgut made a second. All approved.

### **OTHER BUSINESS:**

-Discussion was made on the cost of water and sewer taps. Current rates are \$1200 per tap. Corey Cannon made a motion to increase the water, and sewer taps to \$1400 per tap. Keith Arnold seconded. All approved.

-Stacy Thompson presented the board with the year end 2024 agreed upon procedures. Discussion made on suggestions. All approved for John Buhr to sign and send to legislative auditor.

-Stacy Thompson presented the board with a proposed 2026 budget. Discussion was made and will be discussed more at next meeting.

-Mike Ramsey stated he got some quotes from 2 plumbers on installing back flow program. Discussion was made. Will discuss more at next meeting.

-Corey Cannon asked where we were as far as getting a better email system up and running. Mike Ramsey stated he is working on it. The office will have an email, each of the guys will have an email and John and Corey will each have an email. Corey requested a group calendar where everyone can put days off on it. Mike stated that it will be possible with Microsoft 365.

-Corey Cannon requested from the board to allow him to look for a dump trailer. Discussion was made. John Buhr made the motion to allow Corey Cannon to look for a dump trailer and if he finds one then allow the board to purchase the trailer from the asset replacement fund. Mike Ramsey seconded. All approved.

-Stacy Thompson asked if we could find legal counsel that is local. Our legal council is with Rose Law Firm but is located in Little Rock. There is a Rose Law Firm in Lowell. Discussion was made, and all agreed to reach out to the local Rose Law Firm to see if they have someone local here.

-Next meeting will be November 18<sup>th</sup>.

No other discussions were made; Mike Ramsey made the motion to adjourn, Corey Cannon seconded. All approved.



Mr. John Buhr, Chairman



Mr. Corey Cannon, Secretary



Mr. Keith Arnold, Treasurer