Bryant Water and Wastewater Committee Minutes

Date: Tuesday, March 3, 2026

Time:6:00 P.M.

Location:210 SW 3rd Street, Bryant, AR 72022

Members Present: Al Wise, Linda Levart, Kathy Barber, David Hannah, Nancy Pruitt, Nancy Pruitt, Madison McEntire

Members Absent: Leroy Tinkler

Staff Present: Angela Shepard, Moriah Winkle, Bryce Rimmer, Tim Fournier

Call to Order: This meeting was called to order by:**David Hannah**

February Leak adjustment review:

All requested adjustments were approved.

Motion to Approve Leak Adjustments:**Kathy Barber**
Motion Seconded:**Nancy Pruitt**
Motion carried with 6 votes

Minutes:

Motion to Approve August:**Linda Levart**
Minutes as Presented:
Motion Seconded:**Leroy Tinkler**
Motion carried with 6 votes

Motion to Approve Special Meeting:**Linda Levart**
Motion Seconded:**Nancy Pruitt**
Motion Carried with 6 votes

Financial

Motion to Approve July:**Linda Levart**
Financials as Presented:

Motion Seconded:**Al Wise**
Motion carried with 6 votes

Presentation

Rate Presentation/Rate Discussion: Wildan presented via zoom on the rise of utility rates. Rate adjustments are due to inflation, necessary Capital Improvement Plans, wholesale costs, and other indirect expenses. Rate comparisons were done with similar surrounding cities of different meter sizes and infrastructure fees. Average monthly charges to the customer were compared. The number of Bryant customers, residential and non-residential, in water and wastewater were shown and forecasted the number it will grow to over the next 5 years. Factors were discussed as to how to fund increasing costs of rates were identified, in mid-term and long-term planning. Rate proposals presented over the next 5 years along with the impact of the changes. Benefits of the proposed rate plans were discussed, enabling the City to fully fund all water and wastewater costs and CIP over the next 5 years. Also, enables the City to operate self-sufficiently, and provide safe drinking water.

Public Comments: None

Old Business:	**None**
New Business:	**None**
Projects:	**Saline Regional Update:** Easement kickoff meetings and Natural Resource meetings are scheduled to get the project funded. Project is still in design. **LS 5 Update**: Project is still underway. More updates to come. **Lea Circle Update:** Project is underway and moving forward.

Motion to Adjourn:Nancy Pruitt
Motion Seconded:Wade Boone
Carried with 6 votes

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