Bryant Water and Wastewater Committee Minutes

Date: Tuesday, June 2, 2026

Time:6:00 P.M.

Location:1019 SW Second Street, Bryant, AR 72022

Members Present: Al Wise, Linda Levart, Nancy Pruitt, Madison McEntire. Wade Boone

Members Absent: Kathy Barber, Leroy Tinkler, David Hannah

Staff Present: Moriah Winkel, Jayla Thuston, Josh Byrd, Mindy Byrd

Call to Order: This meeting was called to order by: Al Wise

May Leak adjustment request :
All requested adjustments were approved
Motion to approve leak adjustments : Linda Levart
Motion seconded : Wade Boone
Motion carried with 5 votes

Minutes :
Motion to approve May minutes : Nancy Pruitt
Motion seconded : Al Wise
Motion carried with 5 votes

Financials :
Motion to approve April financials : Linda Levart
Motion seconded : Wade Boone
Motion carried with 5 votes

Presentations :
Motion to add Josh Byrd Pumps and Control Presentation : Nancy Pruitt
Motion seconded : Linda Levart
Motion carried with 5 votes

Pumps & Control presentation by Josh Byrd :

Josh Byrd is the pumps and control manager, he has been with the City of Bryant for 11 years and was the pumps and control operator but has now moved up and he runs a 3 man crew including himself. They manage 40 Lift stations around the City of Bryant to ensure they are all working properly and getting waste back to the plant. They do daily checks on their booster pump stations as far as chlorine levels and the PH of the water entering the Bryant water system. The City of Bryant purchases water from CAW and we test to ensure the water is safe for drinking and if additional chlorine is needed they are able to level and maintain it throughout the distribution system. Josh Byrd goes on to talk about the sewer lift station, how it works and what it takes to maintain & service the lift stations. SCADA is our new system to the lift station. It is an architecture combining software & hardware used to monitor, gather data from and control equipment & processes. Lastly the E-one grinder station is used for gravity sewers that are installed as grinder pump stations at each home; mostly the ones in the hills area off of Hilldale Road and these help grind up solid waste and pump it through pressurized pipes to a municipal treatment plant.

Public Comments : None

Old Business : None

New Business :

Public Works :

Hydrant Meter Policy - Was adopted by city council and will go into effect this month.

Budget adjustments - We had capital asset equipment on wastewater side of $240,000 allocated to pay off the wastewater vacon truck debt & because of the revenue that was made in 2025 we were able to pay it off in 2025 so there's an extra $240,000 in the capital asset equipment line for wastewater. Due to all of the improvements we are trying to do to the plant a lot of that takes exploration geotechnical digging, mechanical drawings of the plant, electrical drawings, and different task orders that need to come out of professional services other that we were not able to judge because we didn't have our plan adopted yet. In conclusion we will be asking council to move $143,000 of that to professional services other so that we can get these projects completed

Projects :

South Plain Tank Council adopted the resolution for funding for moving forward with the design. The winning tank design was the honeycomb dripping down off of the tank.

Water Line Project - The design has been started and had a meeting with Chris Engineers. They will start the design and then we will be able to bid on that as soon as possible and see what that cost will be.

Lift Station 5 - We had an update meeting last week and since our last cost estimate, the cost has gone up about $1.5 million estimated and we also did add quite a bit to the scope estimating about $600,000. The added scope we will try to pull out of the capital. Overall we are still working on the funding sources for LS 5 & reasoning for increase other than the scope was the cost of everything increasing and they had to do some more exploration than what they originally thought to get the LS out of the floodway.

Saline Regional - Moriah & Ted got to you the water treatment plant in Hot Springs; Chris Engineers is the one that engineered that and they are also engineering the Saline Regional treatment plan. Touring the plant in Hot Springs they were able to see their ideas and the design that was done there and it was an overall great experience. We are still gathering easements for the projects but they did finally form a financial committee with Stevens and a couple of the board members are on it. There will also be a design committee so they can focus more on the design of the plant as well

Highway 5 - Still working on getting easements, it has been pretty slow due to the relocation of easements.

Plant Efficiency Project - Can't go in dept on this one yet because we have not heard back a decision on funding just yet.

Reports : None

Adjournments : Motion to approve : Linda Levart
Motion seconded : Wade Boone