Rogers County, Oklahoma
Minutes of the Board of Directors Regular Monthly Meeting
District Office - located at 22094 S. 4160 Road
Claremore, Oklahoma
August 4th, 2026

I. Procedural Items:

A. Call to Order by Chairman.

Vann, Chairman of the Board, called the Meeting of the Board of Directors of Rural Water District No. 8, Rogers County, Oklahoma, to order at 5:38 P. M. in the District Office

B. Call Roll and Record Names of Members Present.

Chairman Vann, Vice Chairman Smith, member Louderback, Secretary Treasurer Weathers, and member Morie.

We have a quorum

Others present: Bookkeeper Hill, Field Operator Corgill, Attorney Mack Greever.

C. Approve Minutes from the Regular Meeting on July 7, 2026.

Louderback made the motion to approve the minutes as printed. Smith seconded the motion. Voting yes: Smith, Vann, Louderback, and Weathers. Morie declined to vote. Motion carried.

D. Recognize and hear from visitors (Not listed on the agenda)

Visitors present: Bobbie Alberty, Melissa Sattne, Brant Morie, Murry Morie, Howard Bragg, Gene Gurganes, Paul Ayotte, Scott Heath, Shane Jackson, Jim Gibson, Joe Willard, Susana MacNaughton, Paul Bemies, Ken & Chris Roam, Julie Dierks, Dennis Cramer, Dale Drexler, Sean Flowers, Don Brown, Barry Vierheller.

Visitors who spoke: Susanne MacNaughton, Jim Gibson, Mellisa Sattne, Gene Gurganes, Murry Morie, Barry Vierheller, Chris Roam, **Andy Meyer (I do not have him on visitor list but he spoke)**, Brant Morie, Jim Gibson, Dennis Cramer.

Visitors who spoke discussed concerns regarding the District's requirements for additional water taps/meters and associated fees. Comments included questions regarding the application and interpretation of the District's bylaws and rules,

including requirements for separate service connections for additional residences or businesses. Visitors expressed concerns regarding consistency of enforcement and the impact of additional tap fees on property owners and businesses within the District. Additional comments addressed concerns regarding the process for addressing alleged violations, opportunities to respond, and the application and enforcement of District rules. Visitors also asked questions regarding water usage, the impact of additional connections on system capacity and water pressure, and whether the requirement for additional taps was based on engineering considerations or the District's adopted rules and regulations. Visitors also asked questions regarding agricultural uses of water service, including livestock, stock tanks, and whether additional taps or fees would apply to those uses.

II. Action to Consider: To Discuss, Approve, Disapprove, or Take No Action Pertaining to Any Items Listed Below:

A. Discussion, possible action, or take no action on the district-wide inspection of water service connections conducted by the District Manager, including any findings regarding multiple service connections.

The District Manager stated that, after observing several properties from public roadways, he found about six situations that could be considered double hookups and left that determination to the Board.

Smith moved to take no action, Louderback seconded the motion. Voting yes: Smith, Louderback, Vann and Weathers. Nathan did not vote. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

Morie recused himself from the agenda items regarding Benefit Unit #866, submitted a memorandum for the record, and stepped away from the Board table. The memorandum was retained with the District's records.

A question was raised, whether Morie's recusal affected any prior Board actions. The Board Attorney explained that the Board must first determine the facts regarding compliance with the District's Bylaws and Water Service Rules as they existed on the date of the election to determine whether an individual qualified as a participating member and was therefore eligible to serve as a director. A question was asked of Counsel whether the admission at the previous meeting regarding multiple businesses served by one meter would be considered, and Counsel responded that the Board must determine the facts as

they existed on the date of the election and apply the governing documents accordingly. Counsel explained that the Bylaws provide authority regarding removal of officers for cause and provide a separate procedure for removal of a director.

B. Discussion and possible action on a violation of Bylaw Article VI, Section 5 and a violation of the Water Service provisions of the District's Rules and Regulations and Board Policies by Nathan Morie and Brant Morie, the holders of Benefit Unit # 866.

After discussion, Smith made a motion to table the item, Louderback seconded the motion. Voting yes: Louderback, Vann and Smith. Voting no: Weathers. Motion carried.

C. Discussion and possible action to disqualify Nathan Morie as a Director of the District for his violations of Bylaw Article VI, Section 5 and the Water Service provisions of the District's Rules and Regulations and Board Policies.

Smith made a motion to take no action, Louderback seconded the motion. Voting yes: Smith, Weathers, Louderback and Vann. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

D. Discussion and possible action pursuant to Bylaw Article VII, Section 3 declaring a vacancy in the office of Director.

Smith made a motion to strike that agenda item, Louderback seconded. Voting yes: Louderback, Smith, Vann, and Weathers. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

E. Discussion and possible action regarding Board agenda preparation procedures, including the process for submitting agenda item requests.

Discussion was held regarding agenda preparation procedures, including the process for submitting agenda item requests. The Board discussed and approved the use of an agenda item request form, requiring submission of requests, five business days prior to the meeting, to allow time for agenda preparation. The Board also agreed that agenda materials would be provided to Board members on Thursday prior to the meeting, or when they are ready.

Smith made the motion to approve the form and process. Morie seconded the motion. Voting yes: Smith, Morie, Vann, Louderback and Weathers. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

F. Discussion and possible action on Chad's updated job title and compensation following new certification.

Smith made a motion to table the agenda item to next month's meeting, Louderback seconded the motion. Voting yes: Smith, Louderback, Vann, Weathers and Morie. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

G. Transfers:
Act. 261 Bruce & Dawn Long to Deborah Summers
Act. 694 Gloria Campbell to Elizabeth Baines
Act. 875 Renee Johnson to Richard Bishop
Act. 1266 Onsite Uptime, LLC (Sonner Heavy Haul) to CJ Properties, LLC

Smith made the motion to accept the transfers, Louderback seconded the motion. Voting yes: Louderback, Smith, Vann, Weathers and Morie. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

H. New Benefits:

None.

I. Forfeitures:

None.

III. District Manager's Report:

Field Overview

- lockouts
- Installed 0 new taps
- Repaired 23 leaks
- Installed 4 new meter box's
- Performed 5-yard clean ups
- Changed out 2 radios due to mower strike
- Added gravel to 6 inch on lamb hill
- Brushed hogged valves on Hwy 88
- Fixed big leak on Hwy 88

Bullet Point Review

- **Water Loss**

  Water loss for May was 20%. This was a busy month again!! We fixed 23 leaks and started flushing dead ends and still maintained 20 percent!!! With no rain we will continue to fight this battle but will stay on top of it!!!
- **Seasonal Duties**
  We are continuing the mowing weed eating spraying. Keeping the valves cleared from the state mowers they have been out in full force this month.
- **90-day flushing**
  We have started the flushing and will continue until we get all dead ends flushed out and fresh water moved in.
- **Master Meter**

I spoke with Brian about the idea of installing a master meter right past split point and he does not think this will benefit us at all. He gave me a few phone numbers to companies that will test our meter. The two companies I got in contact with are willing to come do it, the price for them to drive down from out of state is 12,800 dollars. We can use ORWA but from what I understand the way they do it is not as good as the company you pay for. I spoke with Janett to see if we could split the cost and she is going to try and maybe find a better deal with a different company. Waiting to hear back from her on this issue.

- **Letter to the Customers**

  As the District manager I feel like we should send a letter out to all of our customers informing them that OOWA has told us that we should expect rate increases every six months for the next two years

- **New Meters**

  We currently have about 15 old meters that have not been changed out to the new system, last month the old system hit a glitch and it was almost catastrophic, there is no customer support for it, luckily, I knew a guy that used to work for Itron and he helped me through it free of charge. We may not be lucky next time, so we need to start buying at least one or two a month until we are done so we can be all on the same system. I will start with this ASAP

- **Double hook up findings**

  As requested by the board I went around the district without trespassing and found about 6 customers that are in violation of Rural Water District 8 by laws, regarding the multiple tap hook ups. Will have a deeper discussion about this matter at the board meeting.
- **New Hire**

I was finally able to find a very trustworthy hard working field operator for our district!! He has 3 years' experience in the water industry; I started him at 22 dollars an hour which was what he was making at his previous job. I already have him signed up to get his D water license at the end of August. I think he's going to be a great asset to us. For the next year or so I will be busy training him to be as good as a hand as I am!!!

IV. Office Report- presentation, discussion, and possible action to approve.

Morie made the motion to approve the Office Report as printed, Weathers seconded the motion. Voting yes: Morie, Weathers, Louderback, Vann and Smith. Voting no: none. Motion carried.

V. Business Unforeseen at the Time of Posting Agenda

Director Louderback resigned from the Board, effective immediately. No action was taken regarding the resignation.

VI. Old Business:

None.

V11. Adjournment:

After all matters were addressed, and no further business, Morie made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The meeting was adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted
Name of the person posting this Notice:
Cliff Smith, Vice Chairman
Rhonda Weathers, Secretary/Treasurer

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