

**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING OF THE BOARD  
OF TRUSTEES OF POTEAU VALLEY IMPROVEMENT AUTHORITY**

The monthly meeting of the Board of Trustees of Poteau Valley Improvement Authority was held on Tuesday, October 1, 2024 at 6:00 p.m., at the Poteau City Hall, 111 Peters Street, Poteau, Oklahoma 74953. Those present were:

<u>Executive Trustees</u>	<u>Trustees</u>	<u>Others Present</u>
Mick LaFevers	Mike Parker	James Morrison
Joe Mode	David Kissinger	Dean Warren
Ron Pelanconi	Kevin Adams	David Wyatt
Mark Caldwell	Robert Jordan	Ashley Torres
	Johnny Grizzle	
	Paul Mode	
	Tyler Seaton	
	Ray Lloyd	

The Agenda had been posted as required by law by the Manager.

Following opening prayer by Chairman, the meeting was called to order. The minutes of the monthly meeting on September 3, 2024, were read and approved.

Mark Caldwell presented the Finance Committee's report advising he and Mick LaFevers had reviewed the bills and purchase orders and recommended payment. Following discussion motion made by Mick LaFevers that the bills be paid as presented, which motion was seconded by David Kissinger and passed unanimously.

David Wyatt presented his report stating the equipment is to be delivered on schedule. The pump building is completed except for the electrical wiring of air conditioner, light, pumps and controls. The Belt Press building should be operational by next spring. Electricians are working on wiring the machine, conveyor belt and pumps. Water line to pump building has to be tapped and line laid to belt press in order to clean belt press of mud and debris. PVIA has 280 water meters of various sizes which are over 15 years and with the age their reliability suffers. PVIA needs to replace these with computer read meters. It is estimated to cost \$800,000.00 and engineer is working on grant for October 2025, which should be enough to replace all meters. The selected meters should be compatible with Sequoyah software which the plant has.

James Morrison presented the manager's report stating personnel are working on laying water lines to Panama Tank. He is checking with owners on obtaining easement for pump house. Due to some users not getting water bill on time, the Manager will begin e-mailing the water bill in November and follow that up with hard copy in the mail.

Chairman said 2 bids were received for purchase of a 350hp pump. One for \$62,210.00 with a 1 year warranty and the second for \$38,542.95. Manager recommends the low bid if PVIA can get a 1 year warranty. Motion made by Mick LaFevers to accept Managers recommendation and purchase low bid if PVIA can get warranty, otherwise purchase pump with warranty, seconded by Ron Pelanconi, and passed unanimously.

Chairman advised the following equipment was surplus and no longer needed by PVIA: 2014 Ford F150 super crew; 2006 F350, and 1998 310 SE John Deere Backhoe. Motion to sell on Purple Wave, an auction network, made by Ron Pelanconi and seconded by Mick LaFevers and passed unanimously.

Chairman stated a 350 hp rebuilt pump only worked 2 months. Company won't provide warranty. The pump had the wrong size impellers and bushings were improperly installed. The failure was due to poor workmanship. Chairman wants Manager to get with attorney and send letter to recover our expense which was over \$8,000.00 with freight. Motion made by Mick LaFevers seconded by Ron Pelanconi to have attorney write a letter which passed unanimously.

Chairman advised there was no new business. Motion made and seconded for meeting to be adjourned, which passed unanimously.

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NICK GRANT, SECRETARY

The above Minutes were approved this \_\_\_\_\_ day of October, 2024.

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