

**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 7, 2025 at 6:00 p.m., at the City Hall, 111 Peters Street, Poteau, Oklahoma 74953. Those present were:

Executive Trustees

Joe Mode
Mark Caldwell
Ron Pelanconi
Mick LaFevers
Nick Grant

Trustees

David Kissinger
Johnny Grizzle
Nancy Watts
Mike Parker
Kevin Adams
Robert Jordan
Paul Mode
Ray Lloyd
Marvin Meredith
Tyler Seaton

Others Present

Dean Warren
James Morrison
David Wyatt
Keith Childress

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 2, 2025, were read and approved.

Mark Caldwell presented the Finance Report advising he and Mick LaFevers had reviewed the bills and purchase orders and recommended payment. Following discussion motion made to approve bills as submitted by Mick LaFevers, seconded by Ron Pelanconi and passed unanimously.

James Morrison presented the Manager's report advising the Panama Pump Station had a motor get hot causing smoke to come from the building. A Panama firefighter saw the smoke, called the water office, the power was shut off and a new motor was ordered as the motor was not repairable. The cost of the motor was \$9,331.00 and has been installed but is not in service yet. There were 2 pumps and the other pump was not damaged. Morrison stated a pump at Pocola Pump Station also went out and was sent for repairs. A vent pipe on a 16" line South of Glendale developed a leak and sprayed water which crews had to repair. The aerator at the plant had blockage and was drained down to see what the blockage was. Personnel were not able to discover the blockage, so it was filled back again and plans are to

contact Kevin Adams and have him bring his camera to the plant, pull the water down again use the camera to see where the blockage might be. Morrison stated an archeological firm has been hired to do a study on the remaining property under our CORP lease. The firm was Stantec and cost was \$15,817.00. The plant will require a new clarifier in the coming years and that was the purpose for archeological study. An environmental assessment will not be made until such time as engineering plans are being prepared for new clarifier.

Morrison stated the new truck has been received and utility bed installed.

The engineer stated the storage tanks which PVIA has were an item which DEQ marked as needing cleaning and maintenance. A study was made of the Pine Mountain tank and an air vent on top needs to be replaced and the roof painted. The Pocola tank has a small leak at the bottom and the overflow valve needs to be moved closer to the ground. The estimated costs for these repairs is less than \$100,000.00. The 2 tanks at Poteau, Panama and Bokoshe tank did not require maintenance. Motion made by Mick Lafevers seconded by Ron Pelanconi that the engineer be authorized to draw plans for the repairs to the water tanks for competitive bids, which motion passed unanimously.

Chairman advised the leak caused by the contractor in North Poteau was in the process of having a check written to reimburse PVIA. A discussion was had regarding the relocation of the existing water line and having the contractor pay for the pipe and materials to move the line to a new location with PVIA doing the digging. PVIA will be granted an easement for the North line at the new location. In that a representative from the contractor was not present it was moved by Mick LaFevers seconded by Nick Grant to place this matter on the November Agenda, which motion passed unanimously.

Morrison stated as to the cleanup of the lagoons, which are overgrown with vegetation, will be handled on a force account basis with Randy Frazier and Curtis Faulkenberry supplying dumps trucks and equipment. The estimated costs for this is substantially less than the 2 competitive bids. The engineer believes it will take 6 months for the work to be accomplished and the material to be hauled to an approve

site for dumping.

Keith Childress addressed the trustees regarding a request by RWD #12 for PVIA to set a new meter on their line. A property owner intends to build a development which requires the district to lay new line. In the discussion, it was pointed the by laws for PVIA require the district to lay a line if it is within a 1000 feet of the water meter, which was applicable to this situation. It was decided that RWD #12 should lay a line down the road bore the road over to the property to be developed and on this basis, motion made by Mick Lafevers seconded by Ron Pelanconi that the request for a new meter be denied which motion passed unanimously.

The Chairman then discussed selling the surplus truck since none of our water users was interested in purchasing. Motion made by Mick Lafevers seconded by Ron Pelanconi that the truck be put on Purple Wave for auction which passed unanimously.

There being no further business coming before the board meeting was adjourned.

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NICK GRANT, SECRETARY

The above Minutes were approved this 7th day of October, 2025.

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