
**JUNE 25, 2025 - MINUTES OF THE
BOONE COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT
BOARD OF TRUSTEES SPECIAL MEETING -ARPA CONTRACT REVIEW
BCRSD CONFERENCE ROOM & VIRTUAL ATTENDANCE
1314 N. 7TH ST., COLUMBIA, MO 65201**

Trustees Present: Dave Bennett, Vice Chair
Bill Watkins, Trustee
Brian Burks, Trustee
Justin Aldred, Trustee

Trustees Absent: Randy Chann, Chair

Others Present: Jesse Stephens, Interim Executive Director
Wendy Wieggers, Finance Manager
Daniel Cunningham, Project Manager
Drew Perkins, Administrative Assistant
Angela Burke, Blitz, Bardgett & Deutsch, General Counsel

The meeting was held in person and as a GoToMeeting video with telephone conference.

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

The meeting was called to order at 4:00 PM. A roll call confirmed the presence of a quorum. Attendees included Dave (Caller 1), Bill Watkins, Brian Burke, and others. The meeting commenced with the acknowledgment that the required number of board members were present.

II. Agenda Item – RPA Contract Review

Jesse introduced the primary agenda item: the review and approval of the RPA contract with Lockmiller for the Hartsburg Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrades. The contract had been broken into multiple phases to manage complexity and timing. All required ARPA-specific provisions requested by the county auditor were included.

Angela and Jesse reviewed the contract language with an emphasis on minimizing liability risk and adhering to the project's time constraints. One provision, Section 3.7, remained unchanged by Lockmiller, which limits their liability regarding the actions of subcontractors or suppliers. Although Lockmiller would not revise this clause, Angela expressed confidence that the district's low exposure under the agreement and the ability to separately contract liability coverage for actual work performed made the risk acceptable.

Further discussion acknowledged the unusual structure of the contract, which places the district in a mediator role between the engineers and the Village of Hartsburg. The board noted the importance of ensuring clear indemnification and insurance requirements in final design documents. Although not ideal, the structure was deemed acceptable given the circumstances and urgency.

III. Motion and Approval

Jesse summarized the motion being sought: to authorize the interim executive director to sign the Lockmiller agreement for design services. The motion was made by Bill Watkins and seconded by Brian Burke.

IV. Voting and Communication Difficulties

There were technical difficulties with unmuting one participant (Dave). After efforts to troubleshoot, including a direct phone call, confirmation was received that all present members were in favor.

V. Adjournment

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made.

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H. William Watkins III, Asst. Secretary