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431st Meeting of the Board of Directors

STATE OF TEXAS COUNTIES OF: JONES, SHACKELFORD, STEPHENS, TAYLOR, EASTLAND, AND PALO PINTO	REGULAR MEETING May 20, 2026, 9:30 AM ABILENE, TEXAS
DIRECTORS PRESENT	DIRECTORS ABSENT
ABILENE	ABILENE
Russell Berry, Dani Ramsay, Sam Chase, Bob Benham, Anthony Williams	Norm Archibald
ALBANY	ALBANY
David Cleveland	Randall Palmore
ANSON	ANSON
Bob Herndon	Rowland Foster
BRECKENRIDGE	BRECKENRIDGE
Scott Harris, Jacob Cornwall	

STAFF AND OTHER GUESTS PRESENT

Brian Yates, General Manager	Mark Zachary, Attorney
Keith McLane, Asst. GM/Ops. Mgr.	Jeremy Walker, GIS Specialist
Christy Ferguson, Admin Services Manager	Dawn Blankley, HR/Payroll Manager
Debbie Strayer, Finance/Admin Specialist	Blake Woodall, Planning & Dev. Manager
Tim Ennis-Priority Power	

Call to Order

President Scott Harris called the 431st meeting of the West Central Texas Municipal Water District Board of Directors to order at 9:32 a.m. on Wednesday, May 20, 2026, in accordance with the statutes of the State of Texas. A quorum was present.

Public Comment

President Harris opened for the Public Comment Period at 9:32 am. No one was present to comment so he closed Public Comments at 9:32 am.

Consent Agenda

President Harris asked for comments or concerns with the Consent Agenda items, which include:

- Minutes from the 430th Board Meeting
- Financial Statements for February and March 2026
- Investment Report for the FY2026 Six-Month Period Ending March 31, 2026
- Disbursement Reports for March and April 2026
- Travel and Training Report
- Declare Surplus Items Listing
- Hubbard July 4th Fireworks Agreement
- USGS FY 2027 Joint Funding Agreement

Mr. Chase motioned to approve the Consent Agenda as a whole. Mr. Benham offered a second and the motion carried unanimously.

Regular Agenda

Electric Power Contract

Tim Ennis with Priority Power discussed with the Board the District's current electric rates and took any questions the Board had. He stated that the District's prior contract, which ran through December 2027, was a 10-year contract at $30.77 MWh. Mr. Ennis told the Board that he contacted Mr. Yates in early May and together they decided that it was the right time to blend and extend the current contract through December 2030 at a price of $53.50 MWh. Mr. Ennis explained that the price change will be effective June 1, 2026, and will roughly be a 20% increase in electric charges passed through to the member cities. After a discussion regarding rates and electric use, the Board thanked Mr. Ennis for his presentation and information.

No Board action needed.

Director Appointments and Oaths of Office

Mr. Yates introduced the newest Board member from Breckenridge, Mr. Jacob Cornwall, who is replacing Mr. Will Thompson who resigned from the Board in early April. He then asked Mr. Zachary to administer the Oath of Office to Anthony Williams, Sam Chase, Dani Ramsay, Jacob Cornwall, and Scott Harris and he did so.

Board Officer Appointments for 2026-2027

Mr. Yates told the Board that all three of the Nominating Committee members were unable to attend today's meeting, so he is presenting their Officer recommendation on their behalf. He said that the Nominating Committee recommends the following slate of Officers to serve June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027:

President	Sam Chase
Vice President	David Cleveland
Treasurer	Bob Benham
Assistant Treasurer	Bob Herndon
Secretary	Dani Ramsay
Assistant Secretary	Scott Harris

Mr. Berry made a motion to approve the above slate of Officers to serve June 1, 2026 to May 31, 2027. Mr. Williams offered a second and the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution for Check Signers (First Financial Bank)

Mr. Yates informed the Board that the new Officers would require new signatory cards for the accounts held at First Financial Bank. He stated that the Resolution to update the authorized users is included in the Board packet and includes the following Officers and Staff as authorized users for the First Financial Bank accounts: Sam Chase, David Cleveland, Robert (Bob) Benham, Robert (Bob) Herndon, Dani Ramsay, Scott Harris, Brian Yates, James Keith McLane, and Christy Ferguson.

Mr. Benham made a motion to approve the Resolution to update the authorized users for the First Financial Bank accounts, Ms. Ramsay offered a second and the motion carried unanimously.

Resolution of Recognition for Will Thompson

Mr. Yates informed the Board that Will Thompson submitted his resignation from the Board after recently being appointed Stephens County Judge and that a Resolution of Recognition was drawn up to express appreciation for his six years of service to the District.

Mr. Cleveland made a motion to approve the Resolution of Recognition for Mr. Will Thompson. Mr. Williams offered a second and the motion carried unanimously.

Longevity Certificates

President Harris presented Longevity Certificates to Christy Ferguson and Jeremy Walker for twenty years of service to the District. Mr. Yates reminded the Board that each employee will be given an additional day off as a thank you from the District.

Current Water Supplies

Mr. Yates updated the Board on current HCR levels and noted that as of May 13, 2026, the lake was 44.6% full and currently under Stage 1 water restrictions.

Project Updates

Mr. Yates held a discussion with the Board regarding the following topics:

- Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) Funding
  - State requires plans already drafted and in place
  - Expansion of sections of the Possum Kingdom pipeline could qualify for funds
  - Staff will work with eHT Engineers to apply for funding
- SCADA Replacement
  - Bids for this project are due June 4, 2026
  - Staff cost estimate is \$2-\$3 million with an 18-month project timeline
- Infrastructure Assessment
  - Garver Engineering has completed an initial audit and on-site assessments
  - Garver plans to provide a report by the end of June 2026
  - The report will offer guidance on FY27 Infrastructure Budgeting

No Board action needed.

Breckenridge Golf Course

Mr. Yates told the Board that at their request, he met with the Breckenridge City Manager about the City's willingness to assume responsibility for water used by the Breckenridge Golf Course. He said that the Breckenridge Commissioners approved a Supplemental Point of Delivery Agreement ("Agreement") between the District and the City at their May 5, 2026, meeting and that a copy of the Agreement is included with the Board packet. He told the Board that the Golf Course's monthly water use will be added to the City's monthly water use totals and that the City will be responsible for billing the Golf Course.

Mr. Berry motioned to approve the Supplemental Point of Delivery Agreement between WCTMWD and the City of Breckenridge. Mr. Herndon offered a second and the motion carried unanimously.

Public Hearing and Resolution for FY 2027 Pipeline and Direct Use Rates and Fees

Mr. Yates informed the Board that the District adopted a new billing rate structure for FY2026 to standardize rates and bring the District into compliance with Texas Water Code. He told the Board that the current rate structure is effective and that he would like to gather a full year of data before recommending any adjustments. Mr. Yates stated that he is recommending no changes to the proposed FY 2027 rates.

President Harris opened the meeting for Public comments at 10:57 am. No comments were made and he closed the Public comments meeting at 10:58 am.

The following rates are recommended to be effective October 1, 2026:

Base Raw Water Rate	$1.29 per 1,000 gallons
Conservation Surcharge	$0.20 per 1,000 gallons ($1.49 total)
Trigger for Conservation Surcharge	100,000 gallons per month per customer
Monthly Meter Fee	$20.00 per month for each meter
Activation Fee	$120.00 for each new unlocked meter
Pipeline Tap Fee	$2,500.00 for each new tap in pipeline
Direct-Use Raw Water Rate	$0.46 per 1,000 gallons

Mr. Cleveland requested that if any large commercial customers request water, he would like their request to come before the Board before it is approved.

Mr. Benham made a motion to approve the FY2027 Raw Water Rates and Fees Resolution. Mr. Berry offered a second and the motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

President Harris announced the Board will enter Executive Session at 10:59 am. He identified the following sections of Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code:

- 551.071 Consultation with Attorney – Alcohol vendor sales at Hubbard for July 4th
- 551.074 General Manager Evaluation

The Board reconvened in General Session at 11:53 am. No Board action was taken in Executive Session.

There being no further business before the Board, the 431st meeting adjourned at 12:03 pm.

Approved this 29th day of July, 2026.

Sam J Chase

Sam Chase, Board President

Dani Ramsay

Dani Ramsay, Board Secretary