Lee County Utilities Authority

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Scheduled Meeting
6:00 P.M. Thursday, June 12, 2025
Page Tharp Governmental Building
Opal Cannon Auditorium
102 Starksville Avenue North
Leesburg, Georgia

MEETING MINUTES

1. <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The Lee County Utilities Authority met for its regularly scheduled meeting on June 12, 2025. The meeting was held in the Opal Cannon Auditorium of the Page Tharp Governmental Building in Leesburg, Georgia. Chairman George Walls, Vice Chairman Victor Stubbs, Board members Larry Walters and Art Ford were present. Phillip Husain, Chad Arnold, and Aaron McCulley were not in attendance. Chris Boswell, General Manager, and Tricia Holmes, Director of Administrative Operations, were also present. Chairman George Walls called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

2. INVOCATION

Chris Boswell, General Manager, led the invocation.

3. <u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>

Approval of May 15, 2025, regular scheduled meeting minutes

Art Ford motioned to approve the minutes from the May 15, 2025, meeting. Victor Stubbs seconded the motion. Victor Stubbs, Art Ford, and Larry Walters voted yes, with no opposing votes. The motion passed.

4. NEW BUSINESS

A. Discussion of Emergency Water Service

Chris Boswell requested permission from the Authority Board to approach the City of Albany Utilities with the idea of placing a connection between the two systems. This connection would only be used in case of an emergency on either side.

Chairman Walls requested that the meter and backflow device be located on the Lee County side of the connection.

After a brief discussion, Larry Walters motioned to allow Chris Boswell to move forward with an inquiry with the City of Albany Utilities for an emergency use connection between the two utilities. Victor Stubbs seconded the motion. Victor Stubbs, Art Ford, and Larry Walters voted yes, with no opposing votes. The motion passed.

5. OLD BUSINESS

A. FY 2025-2026 Authority Budget Discussion

The Board was presented with the final budget, as presented by staff and Budget Committee members Art Ford and Phillip Husain. Boswell reviewed the highlights of the given budget, including needed projects and repairs throughout the system.

Victor Stubbs motioned to adopt the fiscal year 2025-202 budget for \$5,686,500. Art Ford seconded the motion. Victor Stubbs, Art Ford, and Larry Walters voted yes, with no opposing votes. The motion passed.

- 6. <u>PUBLIC PERIOD TO ADDRESS THE BOARD</u>
- 7. <u>EXECUTIVE SESSION</u> –
- 8. PROJECT REVIEW AND PAYMENT OF BILLS
- 9. ADJOURNMENT

Art Ford motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:10 P.M. Victor Stubbs seconded the motion. Victor Stubbs, Art Ford, and Larry Walters voted yes, with no opposing votes. The motion passed.

Tricia Holmes, Secretary/Treasurer

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July 17, 2025 Adopted