

WEST CUMBERLAND UTILITY DISTRICT
MINUTES OF BOARD MEETING
April 18, 2023

1. President Jesse Iles called the meeting of the West Cumberland Utility District Board of Commissioners meeting to order at 6:10 PM. Present were commissioners: Monte Garrett, Darrell Moore, Ed Pugh and Wayne Blankenship. Staff present: General Manager Melissa Bryant and Ronnie Kennedy Field Supervisor.

2. Visitors present were Reni Riden, Greg Hanson, Penny Whaley & Eula Lemieux.

3. There were no customer comments.

4. **MOTION: 4/18/23-01** Monte Garrett moved, seconded by Wayne Blankenship to approve the Minutes of March 21, 2023 Board Meeting, March 28, 2023 Called Meeting and April 11, 2023 Called Meeting. All voted aye. Motion carried.

5a. **MOTION: 4/18/23-02** Wayne Blankenship moved, seconded by Ed Pugh to approve the financial statements for March. All voted Aye. Motion carried.

5b. The Field Operation report for March was reviewed. A copy of this report is attached. All samples were negative. There were 2 new water taps installed. There was 8 disconnected; 1 was not reconnected.

5c. The water loss of 17.89% was reported for March. A copy of this report is attached.

5d. There were no leak repairs between and February 16, 2023 and March 15, 2023.

Other Business:

6. Melissa reported that the Cowpen tank has been sold for \$800, which was the appraised amount.

MOTION: 4/18/23-03 Wayne Blankenship moved, seconded by Ed Pugh to hold a special meeting to discuss the 2023/24 budget on May 4, 2023 at 6 pm. All voted aye. Motion carried.

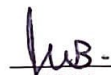
Greg Hanson President of the CPWA was in attendance and requested to speak. Mr. Hanson wanted to discuss and answer any questions the board may have about the Water Authority. He stated that the CPWA was created to meet the needs of Cumberland County and that it was encouraged by TDEC and the State Comptrollers office. Permits and loan applications are more available to a water authority than to individual utility districts in a county. Consolidation makes water production more efficient for everyone. He stated that in the next 12 months they hoped to have absorbed Crab Orchard UD and the City of Crossville's water dept.

Also, Melissa reported that the computer billing software would have to be upgraded and the cost is \$21,000.00. It would not have to be paid until the next fiscal year and could be depreciated over 10 years. **MOTION: 4/18/23-04** Wayne Blankenship moved, seconded by Darrell Moore to purchase and upgrade the computer system at a cost of \$21,000 with a monthly cost of \$3800. All voted aye. Motion carried.

The Cumberland Plateau Water Authority will have another meeting May 1, 2023 at 6 pm at CMC.


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Darrell Moore stated that the board needed to make sure that customers speaking during the meeting were not out of order and disruptive to the meeting.

7. Adjournment.

MOTION: 4/18/23-05 Ed Pugh moved, seconded by Darrell Moore that the meeting be adjourned. All voted aye. Motion was carried.

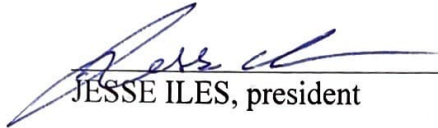
President Iles adjourned the meeting at 7:20 pm.

The next Board Meeting will be held on May 16, 2023 at 6 PM.

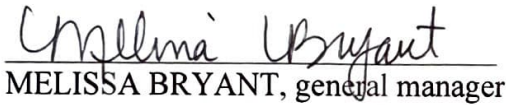
All correspondence and documentation mentioned in the minutes are attached records of the minutes.


The minutes above are approved by the following to be the official records of the West Cumberland Utility District Board of Commissioners meeting:

5/16/2023
Date approved


JESSE ILES, president


MONTE GARRETT, vice-president


MELISSA BRYANT, general manager


WAYNE BLANKENSHIP, secretary/treasurer