

Minutes and Resolutions of Meeting of Directors of
Salem Water Users Associations, Inc. a/k/a
Salem Water Users Public Authority of the State of Arkansas, Inc.

I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I am the Secretary of Salem Water Users Association, Inc., a/k/a Salem Water Users Public Water Authority of the State of Arkansas, Inc. ("Salem Water") a corporation organized under the laws of the State of Arkansas, and that a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of said corporation was duly called and held on the 18th day of May, 2026, the following motions and actions were adopted, to wit:

Meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m.

Board Members present: Jeff Richardson, David Finney, Dickie Kentener, Chris Apple

Office Staff present: Billy Scott, Nikki Townsend, Boyd Bierbaum

Consultants present: Michael Storey

Guests: Brett Chumley

FOIA Roll call- everyone good.

Previous Minutes were presented. A Motion was made by Jeff Richardson, seconded by David Finney to accept the minutes. Motion passed.

Financial statements were presented. A Motion was made by David Finney, seconded by Chris Apple to accept the financials. Motion passed

Rate Study- Reviewed communities unlimited rate study.
Board will discuss with Perry Young, if he agrees the new rate for Salem Water Users PWA is:
\$28.03- Minimum 2,000 gallons
\$6.34- Volumetric usage per thousand gallons over the minimum

Motion made to approve the new water rates made by Chris Apple, seconded by David Finney. Motion approved.

Start date of the new rates will be June 2026 readings, July 2026 water bills.

Nomination of Board member, Brett Chumley, to take the place of Jeff Richardson, who is stepping down but will continue as a consultant. Motion to accept the nomination of Brett Chumley to Salem Water Users PWA board made by Jeff Richardson, seconded by David Finney. Motion approved.

Boyd Bierbaum-

Tull- have a meeting with Malvern scheduled to discuss the transfer, will meet with Benton Utilities next about the water line.

Water Users- Perry Young is working on the new contract for Associations. Administration fee will change from \$9.80 per customer to \$15.00 per customer.

Conservation programs- Informing customers on conserving water.

Billy Scott-

Tull- Will get meter listings and check out if the water loss is from the meter readings being estimated.

CAW- Flushed line on their side, still getting a lot of air in line. May be pulling air from them.

Chlorine Stations- trying to figure out the air problem, put in air relief valves before the meters to help.

Nikki Townsend-

Remodeling office- removed wall

New software system- signed contract with Muni-link

Meeting adjourned 7:20 P.M.