#### **MINUTES**

## CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The Wise County Public Service Authority held its regular monthly Board Meeting on Tuesday, January 14, 2025, at 6:00 p.m. Ralph Gilley, Chairman, called the regular monthly meeting to order and the Director, Cody McElroy, called roll.

#### Members Present:

Ralph Gilley, Chairman
Fred Luntsford, Vice-Chairman
JH Rivers, Treasurer
Hibert Tackett, Jr.
Bob Adkins
Rusty Peters
Worley Smith
Robby Robbins

#### Absent:

#### Also Present:

Cody McElroy, Executive Director Alexis Fleming, Recording Secretary Will Sturgill, Wise County PSA Attorney

A motion was made by Fred Luntsford to nominate Cody McElroy to be the temporary Chairman. Robby Robbins made a motion to cease nominations and appoint Cody McElroy Chairman by acclimation, and Bob Adkins seconded the nomination. The vote was as follows.

Ayes

Nays

Abstain

Absent

Ralph Gilley
Fred Luntsford
Hibert Tackett, Jr.
Bob Adkins
Worley Smith
Rusty Peters
Robby Robbins
JH Rivers

The motion was passed.

#### PRAYER/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Ralph Gilley, and seconded by Worley Smith, to approve the agenda as presented. The vote was as follows.

Ayes

Nays

Abstain

Absent

Ralph Gilley Fred Luntsford JH Rivers Hibert Tackett, Jr. Bob Adkins

Rusty Peters Worley Smith

Robby Robbins

The motion was passed.

## REORGANIZATION

Temporary Chairman Cody McElroy opened nominations for election of officers.

Fred Luntsford nominated Ralph Gilley for Chairman. JH Rivers made a motion to cease nominations and appoint Ralph Gilley Chairman by acclimation. The motion was seconded by Bob Adkins. The vote was as follows.

Ayes

Nays

Abstain

Absent

Ralph Gilley Fred Luntsford JH Rivers Hibert Tackett, Jr. Bob Adkins

Rusty Peters

Worley Smith

Robby Robbins

The motion was passed.

Cody McElroy turned the meeting over to the re-elected Chairman Ralph Gilley.

JH Rivers nominated Fred Luntsford for Vice Chairman. Ralph Gilley made a motion to cease nominations and appoint Fred Luntsford Vice Chairman by acclimation. The motion was seconded by Worley Smith. The vote was as follows.

Ayes

Nays

Abstain

Absent

Ralph Gilley
Fred Luntsford
JH Rivers
Hibert Tackett, Jr.
Bob Adkins
Rusty Peters
Worley Smith
Robby Robbins

The motion was passed.

Bob Adkins nominated JH Rivers for Treasurer. Fred Luntsford made a motion to cease nominations and appoint JH Rivers Treasurer by acclimation. The motion was seconded by Worley Smith. The vote was as follows.

Ayes

Nays

Abstain

Absent

Ralph Gilley
Fred Luntsford
JH Rivers
Hibert Tackett, Jr.
Bob Adkins
Rusty Peters
Worley Smith
Robby Robbins

The motion was passed.

A motion was made by Ralph Gilley, and seconded by Fred Luntsford, to leave the meeting time as the second Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. The vote was as follows.

Abstain

Absent

Absent

Absent

Ayes Ralph Gilley Fred Luntsford JH Rivers Hibert Tackett, Jr. **Bob Adkins Rusty Peters** 

Nays

Nays

Nays

Worley Smith Robby Robbins

Robby Robbins

The motion was passed.

A motion was made by Ralph Gilley, and seconded by Worley Smith, to adopt Robert's Rules of Order. The vote was as follows.

Abstain

Ayes Ralph Gilley Fred Luntsford JH Rivers Hibert Tackett, Jr. **Bob Adkins** Rusty Peters Worley Smith

Robby Robbins

The motion was passed.

A motion was made by Ralph Gilley, and seconded by Worley Smith, to adopt a tie vote as being a No vote. The vote was as follows.

Abstain

Ayes Ralph Gilley Fred Luntsford JH Rivers

Hibert Tackett, Jr.

**Bob Adkins** 

Rusty Peters

Worley Smith

Robby Robbins

The motion was passed.

Ralph Gilley advised the Board that the Conflicts of Interest Filings need to be turned into Director Cody McElroy as soon as possible.

A motion was made by Worley Smith, and seconded by Robby Robbins, to change the 2024 Meeting Calendar as presented. The vote was as follows.

Ayes
Ralph Gilley
Fred Luntsford
JH Rivers
Hibert Tackett, Jr.
Bob Adkins
Rusty Peters
Worley Smith

The motion was passed.

Robby Robbins

# PUBLIC EXPRESSION

None

# APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Nays

A motion was made by Rusty Peters, and seconded by Robby Robbins, to approve the minutes of the December 10, 2024, meeting as presented. The vote was as follows.

Abstain

Ayes
Ralph Gilley
Fred Luntsford
JH Rivers
Hibert Tackett, Jr.
Bob Adkins
Rusty Peters
Worley Smith
Robby Robbins

The motion was passed.

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Nays

Abstain

Absent

Absent

## PROJECT UPDATES

Director Cody McElroy submitted project updates on behalf of T&L.

#### Pound I/I

We have received and approved the final design plans for this project. We are still working on getting easements. We will check in on environmental progress at the end of January. We will advertise this project after advertising the River Interceptor project to make sure funds are there.

# Pound WWTP Upgrades

We are slowly progressing with this project, as we are having some electrical component issues. We should have a final say on the generator replacement at the next progress meeting for this project. We believe there was a settlement made with the company, and we should receive a new generator in 45-50 weeks

Director Cody McElroy submitted project updates on behalf of Lane Group

### Banner Sewer

We are hoping to bid this project soon and hope to schedule a meeting with the town of Coeburn.

### Pound Water Treatment Plant Improvements

We will meet this month with the engineer to get this project moving and advertising this project.

#### Pound System-Wide Improvements 2023

This project was advertised on January 10<sup>th</sup>. This is concentrated on the Clintwood Highway portion of Pound and a few other outlying areas. The bids will open in the middle of February.

## Appalachia Elementary School Sewer

We are released to begin design on this project. We are finalizing the contracts with ARC, but he have authorized us to use our match on design. We hope to advertise this in the spring.

Board Members JH Rivers and Fred Luntsford discussed concerns with the future of the Appalachian Elementary School building, and it was agreed that the project could be put on hold until we receive more information.

Director Cody McElroy submitted project updates for Mattern & Craig

## Pound River Interceptor

We have environmental submitted to Fish and Wildlife for review. We are anticipating the approval of plans to relocate the crayfish for the duration of the project. We will check in at the end of January.

# St. Paul Interconnect Study

We are waiting for some data from the town to finish up the PER for this project.

# **BOARD ACTION ITEMS**

None

### **DIRECTOR'S ITEMS**

### Legislative Trip January 2025

The annual legislative trip is coming up in January. The reception is on the 29<sup>th</sup>, as well as a multi-agency meeting. We have a meeting with rural development planned for the 28<sup>th</sup>.

### **FINANCIALS**

None

## **BOARD COMMENTS**

# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was made by Worley Smith, and seconded by Rusty Peters, to adjourn the meeting at 6:31 p.m. The vote was as follows.

Ayes Nays Abstain
Ralph Gilley
Fred Luntsford
JH Rivers
Hibert Tackett, Jr.
Bob Adkins
Rusty Peters
Worley Smith

The motion was passed.

**Robby Robbins** 

ATTEST:

Director

Wise County Public Service Authority

Absent

Chairman