

BRANDON-IRENE WSC

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The regular meeting of the Board of Directors for Brandon-Irene Water Supply Corporation was called into session on **July 10, 2025** in the Brandon Community Center.

The agenda for the meeting is as follows;

Jimmy called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M. Members present were Jimmy Lehman, President; Mark Wilson, Secretary/Treasurer; Kelly Cordell; Gary Kelm; Colin Perry and Janet Walters. Aaron Symank was present by phone.

Presentation and Approval of Minutes: Mark made the motion to approve the minutes from the June 12, 2025 meeting. Gary seconded the motion.

Public Comments: No public comments.

Interview with General Manager candidate James Hatfield; Mr. Hatfield decided not to interview for position.

Discussion regarding agreement with the city of Hillsboro over use of the water tower; Janet said the Hillsboro City Council voted and agreed that we continue to use the tower. They are working on a document that will tell us how much time we will have should they decide, we cannot use the tower in the future. Janet said it would be at least a year. She said they would certainly consider the two years we are asking for. Megan also said she could not promise us what they will be charging us but it would not be anywhere close to what Aquilla would charge us. Janet said she felt the board had made the right decision and now they were just waiting on a document from Hillsboro City Council.

Jimmy said he had talked with Joe Cunningham and our water would have to go through Aquilla's system and right now there was no charge but was not sure what the future would hold. He also said dollar-wise going with Hillsboro was a good thing but being dependent on them was not a good thing. Jimmy brought up the fact that since we were not going to be out the expense for the pumphouse we need to start looking into finding the money to drill another well. He said we need more water for the growth we will have in the next 5 years and well water was cheaper to produce than surface water.

Discussion regarding TCEQ and Brandon-Irenes blending of water; Janet discussed talking with TCEQ about our blending of water. She contacted Ben Shanklin and asked him to draw up a plan. He said he would draw one up and have it ready in two to three weeks. Ben said if Brandon-Irene invested in an ammonium sulfate injector, about \$7,000 that we would end up saving a whole lot of money in chlorine. Laura Jardine suggested the same thing.

Jimmy said if it was something Ben wanted to do then he had no problem with it. Janet made a motion to purchase the ammonium sulfate injector and second by Kelly.

Transfers, revocations, or new membership approval: Shelley said there were three transfers Bowels Construction to Watson, Linderman to Livingston and Ford to Nalley. A motion was made by Gary to approve the transfers and new membership and second by Mark.

Manager's Report: The lightning strike on well 5 was discussed and what it would take to repair it and get it back in service. The insurance has been notified and Jurgensen has submitted a letter stating lightning as the cause. A map of strikes in the area on that date was also submitted. We are just waiting on the insurance company at this point.

Shelley said that Kevin's mother had called and wanted to pick up his tools. She asks her to please bring a list signed by Kevin and we will get the tools for her. She also asks if Kevin would be sending the test kit, maps and meters when she came to pick up his tools. His mother said she would check into this and let her know. Shelley never heard anything else about this, and she did not bring a list signed by Kevin when she came. The tools were given to her to return to Kevin. Motion was made by Mark to accept Manager's report and second by Colin.

Janet discussed the repairs on Plant 1 and Plant 5 she said Mr Bush had contacted her, and they were close by could they go ahead and empty our elevated tank and clean it? With the well-being out it was decided this would be a perfect time to do the cleaning and repairs. Motion made by Janet to have Mr. Bush go ahead and start on Monday Kelly second the motion.

Janet

Operators report: The operator was not present to give a report.

Review the financial report and pay the bills: Motion was made by Gary to pay the bills and seconded by Gary.

A discussion was held regarding the contract for Joshua Peebles on sick leave, vacation days and health insurance.

Interview with General Manager candidate Josh Peebles;

Future meetings; It was decided that August meeting will be held on the 14th at 6:30 PM

Adjourn: 7:16 pm Kelly made a motion to adjourn, and Gary seconded the motion.