



MINUTES OF THE MEETING FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
P.W.S.D. #1 OF STONE COUNTY
June 1, 2026

The regular Board of Directors meeting took place on Monday, June 1, 2026, at the Kimberling City Community Center on 34 Kimberling City Blvd.

Present: President Jesse Deets; V. President Kristie Usher; Director Richard Gardner; and District Clerk Jeanette Karl. Absent: Accountant Alan Nippes.

Jesse Deets opened the meeting at 6:30 pm and there were no public comments or requests.

Minutes:

- The minutes for the closed meeting on March 11, 2026, and regular meeting on April 20, 2026, have been read with a motion to approve as written by R. Gardner and a second by K. Usher. All were in favor, and no one opposed.

Financial:

- The Disbursements and Assets for April 2026 were reviewed, and a motion was made by K. Usher to approve disbursements for April as noted, and a second was made by R. Gardner. All were in favor. No one opposed it.

Operations:

- J. Karl advised that the operators' report is in the packet for their review.
- A new meter was installed at 2 Greenview Dr, 10 Tesla's replaced due to dead batteries and a repair near Pond Lane on a main line. We are trying hard to monitor and keep the repairs under budget each month.
- The Annual Lead and Copper letter & survey to those customers who have not responded to the original request in 2024 were sent out. This is an EPA requirement, and we must continue sending out these surveys until we hear back from these customers that their lead or copper pipes in their homes have been replaced by PVC or Pex. R. Gardner asked if we have a way to assist those that cannot get into their crawl space to locate their pipes in their home. J. Deets said currently our operator cannot assist but when we hire a field tech they could possibly do this task if our Liability Insurance would cover them.
- Republic Trash: J. Karl negotiated a new lower monthly rate lowering our monthly rate by \$45, Environmental and Administrative fees removed, and we can still cancel at any time with no penalties with a 60-day notice. Board agreed to move forward with this new agreement.
- Allie completed updating the voter list from Stone County removing anyone who was not in our district. She is worked closely with Missouri American to cross check our list to make sure we have everyone possible and this list has been handed over to our volunteers to begin obtaining signatures. WE NEED 2 MORE VOLUNTEERS to cover District 4 & 5. V. Moore volunteered to take District 4 and gather signatures for the petition.
- DNR sent back the request to Amax and his engineer for the Midview properties as there are several items they need to correct on their engineer plans before they will approve, and we can install the Midview meters.



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Old Business:

- J. Deets gave an update to the MAW Dissolution petition. Our Attorney said the petition is not a part of the ballot item. The Board can assist with the ballot but cannot volunteer to help with gathering the signatures on the petition as this is a very fine line. Staff and Board members must remain neutral and cannot work on this part.

Signatures can be gathered at public places and events and even other community meetings that are not run by the PWSD#1 Board members.

Marge asked for a brochure for talking points. J. Deets stated he has a fact sheet for both sides that he has been working on to assist the volunteers get the information out to the community.

Marge stated that the Kimberling City Summer Fest is on June 6th. R. Gardner said they can call Laura at the city to get a table and he would find a tent for the volunteers' table.

- R. Gardner gave an update on the mapping of our District/Subdistricts. Tim at Cochran Engineering has been working on this. This mapping is the first step to our GIS mapping which is needed for leak survey detection. He will reach out to Tim this week to find out where we are at.
- J. Deets and J. Karl have been working on interviewing candidates for Utility Operator / Field Technician positions. We had narrowed it down and began interviewing. We were able to interview 3 and the others scheduled cancelled due to promotion or pay raise with current employer.
- R. Gardner stated we could put out RFP for the Operator position, which our current contractor in that position could apply for. A motion was made by R. Gardner to draft up the RFP for the Operator position and a second was made by K. Usher. R. Gardner will assist in this process.

New Business:

- J. Deets said Digital Wave has stated we need to purchase new office computers after they have received pending hard drive failure alerts. The current computers are out of date and cannot be upgraded with any new security software or Windows 11. The quote for the new computers is \$3,275.00
- R. Gardner asked us to get a couple of quotes to review at our next meeting. J. Karl will present those at the June 15th meeting.

J. Deets made a motion to adjourn meeting and a second was made by R. Gardner. The meeting adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

Next meeting June 15, 2026

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President – Jesse Deets

A handwritten signature of Jeanette Karl in black ink, written over a horizontal line.

District Clerk – Jeanette Karl