

Public Water Supply District # 1
Of Ralls County, Missouri
Open Special Session Board of Directors Meeting
April 14, 2026

The Open Special Session of the Board of Directors of Public Water Supply District No. 1 of Ralls County, Missouri was held April 14, 2026, at the district office, 3316 Market Street, Hannibal, MO beginning time 10:00 a.m. Ronda Barton attested that notice of the meeting was duly and timely posted.

The following were present by Roll Call: President, Aaron Ball; Vice-President, Michelle Lehenbauer; Directors, Martin Judlowe, Joseph Strode, and Robert Sergent. Also present, Alliance Local Manager, Tyler Stuhlman; and Alliance Regional Operations Manager, Lucas Drullinger; District Engineer, Mark Bross, Klingner & Associates PC; Jeff Hughes, Hughes Construction; and Frank Burch, customer.

The meeting was called to order and presided over by President, Aaron Ball.

Mr. Stuhlman introduced Mr. Hughes, contractor for whom the lowest bid was received, to build the new office and shop.

Mr. Drullinger presented loan offers received from local banks. It was reiterated that in regard to cash on hand of \$323,000 in the Construction Account; funds should not be utilized as it is needed to meet debt coverage requirements. Discussion occurred on interest vs principal payments, and it was noted the interest rates are fixed only for the first 5 years, with pre-payment penalties. There would be an option with DA Davidson to roll the loan into the refinancing of other debt, later this year.

Discussion occurred on the possible unforeseen scenarios in which something major has been missed in the bidding process, for which Mr. Stuhlman has made every attempt in his cost estimates to account for such overages including an extra 6% contingency factored into the total project estimation. Mr. Hughes assured us, if it were to be his mistake, he would take care of any misses- which would be minor in nature and directly caused/controlled by the contractor. Mr. Judlowe motioned moving forward with the building. Mr. Lehenbauer seconded. Ayes: Judlowe, Lehenbauer, Strode, Ball. Nays: Sergent.

Discussion occurred on various scenarios for loan payments with best offer, Royal Bank, including 2 payments/month, additional payments etc. Staff will inquire about payment options. Ms. Lehenbauer motioned to approve the loan with Royal Bank, in the amount of \$600,000. Mr. Sergent seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Discussion occurred regarding the contract, for which Mr. Hughes has already absorbed two increases since the initial bid amount. He anticipates completion of the project by February 1, 2027. Mr. Sergent motioned to approve the contract in the amount of \$469,000. Mr. Strode seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

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Mr. Stuhlman submitted a request to purchase a valve that is leaking at the water treatment plant. Mr. Sergent motioned to approve in the amount of \$2,500. Mr. Strode seconded. All ayes. Motion carried.

Having no further items for discussion, Mr. Ball requested a motion to adjourn. Mr. Strode motioned to adjourn the Open Regular session. Ms. Lehenbauer seconded. All Ayes. Motion carried. The meeting adjourned at 10:50 a.m.


Ronda Barton, District Clerk


Aaron Ball, President

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