

**MONTGOMERY COUNTY REGIONAL WATER & SEWER DISTRICT**  
**5/14/2025 Board Meeting Minutes**  
**Montgomery County Government Center**  
**1580 Constitution Row - Suite E**  
**Crawfordsville, IN 47933**

Board members present: Chairman Dan Guard, VP Mike Warren, Treasurer Joyce Grimbale, David Reeves, Greg Morrison (Absent - none)

Also present: Chris Kellner - BCS Management; Tyler Nichols - Taylor, Minnette, Schneider, and Clutter P.C.; Jacob Beebe - VS Engineering; Tom Astbury - Astbury Water Tech

**Call to Order** - Chairman Dan Guard called the meeting to order at 4:00pm. Quorum present.

**I. Management & Administration:**

**A. Minutes & Board Meeting Schedule**

Minutes for 04/09/2025 were provided by BCS Management for Board approval. *David Reeves made the motion to approve the minutes. Joyce Grimbale seconded. Motion passed 5-0.*

**B. Treasurer's Report:** Operating Fund Bank Balance = \$139,205.66 | Grinder Pump Maintenance Fund Balance = \$7,913.14 | Capital Fund Balance = \$42,510.89

**C. Administrative Report - BCS Management**

- i. Kellner shared a copy of the monthly administration report. Cash balances are improved this month ending last month over \$190k due mainly to improved collections. A net operating deficit of \$(11,926.60) for the month was reported, bringing the YTD deficit to \$(2,568.70). Tom Astbury will discuss the \$20k+ pump replacement at a lift station, which is a capital asset expenditure, that significantly impacted the financial position later during his report.
- ii. USIC expenses are still on budget with \$1058.62 spent last month on 56 locates.
- iii. Live streaming testing continues during today's meeting. (Success.)
- iv. Kellner highlighted in the new connection updates that Amy Cating received a request for metering. BCS discussed internally that the board in years past disallowed new metering (vs flat rate per EDU). BCS reviewed ordinances / resolutions revealing that meter use was still allowed.
  - o BCS reached out to Dan Taylor and Tyler Nichols (TMSC Law) to discuss.
- v. For the website, BCS migrated remaining, relevant documents from the IN.gov repository to the [montgomeryrwsd.com](http://montgomeryrwsd.com) publication page. (Details included on monthly traffic in the digital filing system.)

**D. Maintenance Report - Astbury Water Technologies**

- i. Tom Astbury reported the plant operated at an average flow of 48,000 gallons per day (GPD) (48% capacity) with max flow of 80k GPD and minimum flow of 35k GPD. Plant in full compliance. (Surge capacity max is 200k GPD.) Pollutant removal percentages 97% or higher.
- ii. At Astbury's expense, planned June OEM training by Aqua Aerobics training of Astbury staff to increase redundancy / back up support for system.

- iii. The pumps borrowed from South Lift Station 1B that will be needed to serve the Nucor expansion (were loaned to North Lift Station) need to be repaired. Astbury recommended and requested \$ 14,077.05 in funding to do so.

*David Reeves made the motion to approve the repairs costing \$14,077.05 to repair the pumps at the South Lift Station 1B. Greg Morrison seconded. Greg Morrison asked for clarification if the pumps are for inventory or immediate service. David Reeves asked if South Lift Station 1B was in service currently. Astbury explained these pumps would put it back into service; the District still needs back up pumps for inventory. Motion passed 5-0.*

- iv. Astbury conferred with Flygt, the pump manufacturer, to see if the explosion proof (certified) version (in use / as designed) could be substituted with a more affordable pump to save the District. The savings would be \$581.40 per pump. Astbury also found substitute pumps from another manufacturer (Liberty) that would save the District over \$5k per pump. Having IPW repair the Flygt pump would be about \$9.5k. Greg Morrison confirmed that the new \$11k Liberty pump price includes flange / adapter. David Reeves asked about Astbury's experience with these Liberty pumps. Tom recommended the district buy one (1) Flygt pump for about \$15k to keep it consistent in the North and South Lift Stations; and buy one (1) Liberty pump for about \$11k to back up the SR 32 Lift Station. Kellner noted that repairing the pumps would be operating fund items from an accounting perspective while buying new pumps would be capital asset purchases as they are above the \$10k threshold and add to the useful life of the system (7.5 year depreciation schedule on the books). Kellner noted buying two pumps now would wipe out the capital fund, unless Nucor pays the \$18k capacity fee owed. David Reeves asked if waiting would help or hurt. Astbury recommended getting at least one spare pump now. Kellner recommended the board plan to start making regular allocations from the operating fund to the capital fund, rather than only waiting for capacity fees from new users.

*Greg Morrison made the motion to approve the purchase of one spare (1) Liberty pump w/ Flygt adaptor flange for \$11,025.00. Joyce Grimble seconded. Mike Warren asked Astbury if buying only one pump would impact operations; Astbury clarified Liberty pumps would be dedicated to SR32. David Reeves asked if "in a pickle" could the Liberty pump be used at all 3 other lift stations: Astbury said yes. Motion passed 5-0.*

- v. Astbury explained the repairs (to be done by Cummins / Crosspoint) needed now to ensure proper function of the back up generator at the SR 32 E Lift Station, which could be needed to provide emergency power supply.

*David Reeves made the motion to approve the repairs to the SR32 Lift Station generator not to exceed \$7,000.00. Mike Warren seconded. Motion passed 5-0.*

- vi. Dan Guard asked Tom to gauge the impact to the system capacity when Nucor expansion (25 EDUs) comes online. Astbury stated there is plenty of capacity to support, as current flow averages only 200 GPD per EDU in the system.

## **II. Project Updates:**

*None*

### III. New Business

None

### IV. Old Business

#### A. Public Meeting Video Access Progress - BCS Management, Inc.

Kellner thanked the board and others for continuing best practices during live streaming.

### V. Approval of Claims

#### A. Account Payable Voucher Claims = \$74,471.77


Joyce Grimble motioned to approve claims payment as presented. Greg Morrison seconded. No further discussion. Motion passed 5-0. (David Reeves delivering signed claims APV to Amy Cating.)

### VI. Adjournment

Joyce Grimble moved to adjourn. David Reeves seconded. Motion passed 5-0. The meeting adjourned at 4:26pm. (Closed, executive session to follow to discuss ongoing litigation.)

Submitted by Chris Kellner - BCS Management

Approved June 11 2025

  
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Dan Guard, President  
MIKE WARREN, VP