

DESOTO COUNTY REGIONAL UTILITY AUTHORITY
Board of Directors
August 20, 2025
9:00 A.M.

- A. OPENING PRAYER – Wayne Spell
- B. CALL TO ORDER

The Directors present at the meeting were:

Director Andy Swims
Director Barry Bridgforth
Director Pete Scott
Director Tim Tucker
Director Chris Wilson
Director Joe Frank Lauderdale
Director Rodney Nash

The August 20, 2025, meeting of the DeSoto County Regional Utility Authority Board of Directors was called to order by Director Andy Swims, DCRUA President. He announced there was a quorum.

- C. 1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Director Chris Wilson made a motion to approve the minutes of July 16, 2025. Director Joe Lauderdale seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes

Exhibit C1

- D. APPROVAL OF INVOICES

- 1. After reviewing the list of invoices for payment and discussion of various invoices, Director Chris Wilson made a motion to approve invoices for payment and Director

Rodney Nash seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit D1			

E. OLD BUSINESS

1. Nolehoe Analysis Alternative – Ross Horton

Horton presented an alternative to the previously agreed upon study for this section of line between Malone, Goodman, and Nail Roads. The new proposal is less expensive with a cost of approximately \$36,000 and a cost sharing agreement where the Cities of Southaven and Olive Branch and DCRUA each pay one-third of the cost. The work includes cleaning out the siphon line, install meters and test results. A motion was made by Director Pete Scott to authorize cost split \$12,000 between DCRUA, Olive Branch and Southaven not to exceed \$40K and fund DCRUA's portion with SDF along with EAI/WEI billing DCRUA and DCRUA invoicing Olive Branch and Southaven for its share as authorized by the local and private. The motion was seconded by Director Joe Lauderdale.. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit E1			

2. Status of the True Up payments due to cities – Wayne Spell

Spell explained that the City of Hernando and Town of Walls have a deficit balance and once the funds are received, credits will be refunded to the other members. Nick Manley stated there is no hard deadline for payment but noted that DCRUA was not able to disburse the true up funds to other members until DCRUA receives payments

from all entities.

3. FY26 Budget – Jamie Steen presented the budget again for a final vote and noted it had a 3% increase over last year. Financials were shared that projected an estimated \$208K shortfall for this year, which will be reviewed in more detail when final expenses are received. A motion was made by Director Pete Scott and seconded by Director Barry Bridgforth to approve the DCRUA FY26 Budget. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit E3			

4. LERRDS Credit – Horn Lake Influent PS/FM – Audrey Lewis
Lewis explained LERRDS credit and how it's part of DCRUA'S overall PCA agreement. She did not recommend using LERRDS credit at this time. Tracy Huffman explained the history of LERRDS with DCRUA and how it benefited DCRUA in early years in context of land acquisition; however, due to the costs split between DCRUA and the Corp. of Engineers the LERRDS credit does not provide a financial benefit in context of the reporting obligations. A motion was made by Director Pete Scott to seek reimbursement usage for eligible expenses from the Corp. of Engineers as opposed to requesting LERRDS credit and was seconded by Director Rodney Nash. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit E4			

5. Johnson Creek Effluent Pump Station and Force Main Project – Permission to Advertise - Tracy Huffman

Huffman stated the project consists of three miles of force main 36” pipe. The project is estimated to take 15 months to complete. The goal is to have a contract by the end of the year and completion by mid FY27. A motion was made by Director Joe Lauderdale to approve advertising of the Johnson Creek Effluent Pump Station and Force Main Project and seconded by Director Chris Wilson. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit E5			

6. Task Order 91 – Amendment 1 – Audrey Lewis

Lewis presented task order 91 for the Johnson Creek Effluent Pump Station and Force Main. A motion was made by Director Tim Tucker to approve task order 91 and seconded by Director Rodney Nash. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit E6			

7. Franks, Franks, Wilemon, Hagood engagement letter FY25 and FY26 – Wayne Spell DCRUA’S cost for the FY 2024 audit was \$20,995. The proposed costs for FY 2025 are \$21,500 and FY 2026 is \$21,995. A motion was made by Director Barry Bridgforth to approve the engagement letter for FY25 and FY26 audits with Franks, Franks, Wilemon, Hagood and seconded by Director Andy Swims. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full	Flow
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Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit E7			

F. NEW BUSINESS

1. Executive Director Updates – Wayne Spell

- Wayne Spell met in Waggoner Engineering offices with Tracy Huffman, Audrey Lewis, Nick Manley, Mary Lee Brown, Tim Verner, and Dan Cordell to discuss an updated funding model for the HLCISD/DCRUA Project assuming different funding sources.
- Wayne Spell, Andy Swims, Nick Manley, Tracy Huffman, and Audrey Lewis attended the DeSoto County Board of Supervisor's meeting to discuss the Central Hill rezoning request. Audrey Lewis presented DCRUA's request and proposal. Several people in attendance voiced their opposition to the request. There was much discussion, and questions were answered by the DCRUA team. The request was granted by a motion made by Supervisor Jessie Medlin and passed unanimously.
- Wayne Spell met with Greg Brown, Pickering Engineering, Eddie Russell, and Scott Cleven to review and discuss the JCWTF 30% design. The operators asked several questions and requested some minor modifications to the design.
- Wayne Spell, Andy Swims, Eddie Russell, Scott Cleven, and David Karr attended a tour of the West Rankin WTF in Richland, Mississippi where they saw firsthand a plant similar in design to the proposed 11 million gallon/day JCWTF.
- Wayne Spell, Andy Swims, Gary Rikard, Butler Snow, Tracy Huffman, Jim Mozingo, David Karr, Eddie Russel and Scott Cleven met with representatives of MDEQ in their offices in Jackson, MS for an Administrative Conference to discuss recent discharge violations at SFWTF and Metro WTF and the resulting fines.
- Wayne Spell attended the DCEDC BOD meeting and luncheon where mayor Musselwhite held an onstage discussion with the manager of Xal's WTF in Memphis as it pertains to the generating plant they plan to construct in Southaven. Much of the discussion centered on Xal's intentions to promote community investments and the possibility of some investment in the District's Court Order to leave the Memphis/ Spell reached out to Musselwhite on this and was told DCRUA/District would be brought into the discussions when they were held.
- Wayne Spell attended a planning meeting at the DCEDC offices for the

upcoming Congressional Staff Tour scheduled for 8/21/25.

- Eddie Russell informed Wayne Spell that James Gammill and Ryan Case of MDEQ made a surprise visit and inspection of Short Fork and Ross Road WTF's.
- Wayne Spell and Nick Manley met with officers of Story Bank to discuss the terms of a line of credit as part of their banking proposal for DCRUA. Information was provided outlining key points of the proposal as well as an estimate of the interest income under the new proposal.
- Wayne Spell discussed the status of bids and costs to provide fiber to Metro, JC and SFWTF's.
- Pete Scott, Rodney Nash, and Wayne Spell represented DCRUA on the USAGE Low Water Tour of the Mississippi River where they met John Morrow the Colonel and District Commander.
- Ross Horton gave an update on the Camp Creek project. He continues to follow up with the developer. Work should begin within the next couple of weeks. The current project is operating as expected at this point. The developer needs to backfill the ditch back to the subdivision. The pipe was capped and covered and is holding water. The developer needs to comply with the previous agreement.
- Water well at Short Fork. Ross Horton presented an analysis / history of water usage at Short Fork facility. A motion was made by Director Barry Bridgforth to move forward with next steps, as provided by EAI/WEI, for installation of a well and seconded by Director Pete Scott. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes

Exhibit F1

2. Residential flow to Metro WWTP – Andy Swims
Swims reviewed maps of the Olive Branch Center Hill area and outlined properties that will flow to Metro WWTF.
3. Denali Contract – Nick Manley
Manley presented a proposed contract with Denali with an increase of 35% to 40% compared to the current contract. It was agreed that DCRUA needs to be under contract for sludge removal. Ross Horton said Denali will extend contract through the end of the fiscal year. Horton said they may agree to keep current pricing through the end of year. There was a discussion to authorize extension of the current contract

through September 30th to allow time for competitive bids - a ninety-day process. A motion was made by Director Andy Swims to request extension through 12/31/2025 or if denied, extend through 9/30/2025 and seconded by Director Rodney Nash. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit F3			

4. Cleveland Contract – Nick Manley

- Cleveland Contract is expiring. Manley asked if we should:
 - use a bid process or obtain quotes as needed for work.
 - Wayne Spell suggested an agreed-upon contract would be preferred for the operators.

A motion was made by Director Pete Scott to extend the contract to up to three years and seconded by Director Tim Tucker. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit F4			

5. MDEQ Administrative Conference Update – Nick Manley

Gary Rikard, Butler Snow, to present conference of MDEQ.

8/7/25 – Discussed issues at both Short Fork and Metro and their violations occurring during this time at Short Fork. The current penalty is \$15K and can perhaps be reduced with a plan to bring all violations into compliance at Short Fork. –The agreed order with Metro needs to be reviewed in detail so to allow time to come into compliance, as the Order included stipulated penalties totaling \$23K and there is no negotiation to reduce the penalty. In addition, there are other violations for cadmium. They are as follows:

\$75K - current violations
 \$23K – stipulated agreed order damages

 \$98K
 \$15K – Short Fork

 \$103K

Based on discussion and current efforts by DCRUA at Short Fork and Metro, a motion was made by Director Tim Tucker to pay stipulated damages when billed and work with Butler Snow in response to MDEQ's letter and seconded by Director Rodney Nash. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit F5			

G. PERMITS

1. East Lake S/D – Phase 2 (Hernando)
2. Enclave Commercial (Olive Branch)
3. Wedge at Cherokee Park S/D (Olive Branch)
4. OB Logistics Park Phase 1 (Olive Branch)

Audrey Lewis reviewed permits for approval. Along with DCRUA Easement Encroachment acknowledgment. The Board agreed to table #3. A motion was made by Director Joe Lauderdale to approve permit #1, #2, and #4 and seconded by Director Pete Scott. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes

Exhibit G1

Audrey discussed making modifications to the permit application to include easement encroachment acknowledgement. A motion was made by Director Joe Lauderdale to update the commercial permit applications and seconded by Chris Wilson. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit G1			

H. ENGINEERING REPORT

1. Ross Horton presented the report for Short Fork and Ross Road WWTF Rehab as well as payment application # 15 for July 2025 in the amount of \$27,750.94. A motion was made by Director Tim Tucker to approve payment of application #15 and seconded by Director Chris Wilson. The motion passed as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Young	Yes	Director Young	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes
Exhibit H1			

Ross Horton requested a time change order of a 60-days extension to the current Hemphill Contract for Short Fork and Ross Road Rehab Projects . There is no cost associated with change order. A motion was made by Director Tim Tucker to approve the extension and seconded by Joe Lauderdale. The motion passed as follows:

Full	Flow
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Director Young	Yes	Director Young	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes

Exhibit H1

Ross Horton presented a proposal for Lower Camp Creek grounds maintenance. Big Fish Services proposes to do the revetment mat clearing and tree removal for \$14,500. A motion was made by Director Joe Lauderdale to approve Big Fish Services for clearing and removal for \$14,500 and seconded by Andy Swims. The motion passed as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Young	Yes	Director Young	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes

Exhibit H1

Barry Bridgforth recused himself from the vote.

I. OPERATIONS REPORT

1. Inframark Report (Ross Road, Short Fork, Braybourne and Western facilities) – Scott Cleven
Scott Cleven reviewed the monthly report.
2. Mitchell Technical Services, Inc. (Metro WWTF and Fox Creek) – David Karr
David Karr reviewed the monthly report. A quote from Cleveland Construction dated 8/11/25 was presented to remove the old trailer at Metro for \$6,250. A motion was made by Director Joe Lauderdale to approve Cleveland Construction in amount of \$6,250 for removing the old trailer and seconded by Director Pete Scott. The motion passed as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Young	Yes	Director Young	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes

Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes

Exhibit H2

Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes

A rental quote from United Rentals dated 6/24/25 was presented to set up the new trailer for \$4,757.50 and was approved last month.

David Karr reviewed current activities with industries. The View has not allowed him access, but other industries visited provided requested paperwork and some were problematic.

J. Flow Report - Audrey Lewis reviewed the Flow Report.

K. Executive Session

In accordance with Section 25-41-7, Mississippi Code of 1972, Director Bridgforth requested, by motion, to declare an executive session for purposes of discussing DCRUA personnel. Director Wilson seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows.

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Yes	Director Wilson	Yes
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes

After discussion of personnel for the DCRUA Executive Director, a motion was made by Director Nash to direct and authorize Director Tucker, Director Scott, and Director Lauderdale to meet with the Executive Director before the September Board Meeting. Director Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows.

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Absent	Director Wilson	Absent
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes

After discussion of DCRUA personnel issues, a motion was made by Director Nash to terminate Glenn Miller's position and allowing him to work for an additional month to complete tasks and assist as needed and authorize an offer to be made to Bowling at \$31.25 per hour, along with PERS, and health insurance at the Executive Director's discretion. Director Tucker seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows.

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Absent	Director Wilson	Absent
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes

Director Tucker made a motion to end the Executive Session. Director Scott seconded the motion. The motion passed as follows:

Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Absent	Director Wilson	Absent
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes
Director Nash	Yes	Director Nash	Yes

ADJOURN/RECESS

Director Swims made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Director Lauderdale seconded the motion. The motion passed by a vote as follows:

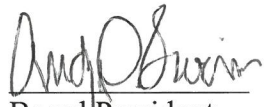
Full		Flow	
Director Swims	Yes	Director Swims	Yes
Director Wilson	Absent	Director Wilson	Absent
Director Bridgforth	Yes	Director Bridgforth	Yes
Director Lauderdale	Yes	Director Lauderdale	Yes
Director Tucker	Yes	Director Tucker	Yes
Director Scott	Yes	Director Scott	Yes

Director Nash

Yes

Director Nash

Yes

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Board President

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jani Saen".

Board Secretary