

**MINUTES OF A SPECIAL PUBLIC BOARD MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF WATER AND SEWER COMMISSIONERS
OF THE CITY OF SARALAND, ALABAMA**

The Board of Directors (the “Board”) of the Board of Water and Sewer Commissioners of the City of Saraland, Alabama (“SWSS”), after providing proper notice in compliance with the Open Meetings Act, met for a special meeting in Saraland, Alabama on Thursday, March 23, 2026, at approximately 5:30 p.m. The following members of the Board were physically present at the meeting:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dewey “Scooter” Thronson, Chairman; Vice-Chairman; Drew Taylor, Nikhil Patel, and William Keeney were present. O’Neil Robinson was not present.

STAFF PRESENT: John Vaughn, Utilities Director, Nicole Robinson, Comptroller and Saturn Ezell, Secretary-Treasurer were present.

LEGAL COUNSEL: Stewart Thames IV, Attorney, Maynard Nexsen PC, was present.

GUESTS: Thomas Brymer from Volkert was in attendance.

DISCLOSURE OF POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

None.

NEW BUSINESS

1. Norton Creek Part A Payment Application #1 – A motion was made to approve payment. Motion passed 4-0.
2. Norton Creek Part B Payment Application #2 – A motion was made to approve payment. Motion passed 4-0.
3. April 2, 2026, Board Meeting – A motion was made to cancel the April 2, 2026, meeting. Motion passed 4-0.
4. April 16, 2026, Board Meeting – A motion was made to cancel the April 16, 2026, meeting. Motion passed 4-0.
5. April 9, 2026, Special Meeting – A motion was made to hold a Special Meeting on April 9, 2026. Motion passed 4-0.

INVOICES

1. After a proper motion and second, the Board voted 4-0 in favor of approving the combined water invoices.
2. After a proper motion and second, the Board voted 4-0 in favor of approving the combined sewer invoices.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Mr. Patel asked if there was any update on the sewer failure claim. Nicole will provide updates on the claim.

UTILITY DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Vaughn reported on the conference in Montgomery this week.

ATTORNEY'S REPORT

Mr. Thames will work with Mr. Vaughn to get feedback on the new proposed pretreatment policy.

ENGINEER'S REPORT

Mr. Brymer reported on the water storage tank maintenance compliance and the work on Camelot and Bernard.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

None.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

At approximately 5:43 p.m., the Chairman, with the assistance of legal counsel, declared there were items to be discussed that qualify for executive session under Alabama Code Section 36-25A-7 of the Alabama Open Meetings Act, including, but not limited to (1) the legal ramifications of and legal options for pending litigation and controversies not yet being litigated, but imminently likely to be litigated if the governmental body were to pursue a certain course of action, (2) discussions related to certain consideration the SWSS might be willing to offer and/or accept in connection with the disposition of certain real estate and (3) preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade and commerce; whereby, an open discussion might be detrimental to the SWSS's efforts to advance the SWSS's business. In connection with any potential real estate matters to be discussed, Mr. Thames further apprised the Board that no member of the Board having a personal interest in any matter to be discussed in executive session could attend such session. The Chairman confirmed for the record that the representations made by Mr. Thames were accurate and stated the Board's intent to reconvene its meeting immediately at the conclusion of executive session. After a proper motion and second, the Board voted to enter executive session with all members present participating. At the conclusion of the executive session, the Board duly reconvened into open session. No further action was taken.

ADJOURNMENT

Following the executive session, the Board moved to adjourn at approximately 6:28 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary