

REGULAR MEETING
EFFINGHAM WATER AUTHORITY

The regular meeting of the Effingham Water Authority was held on Monday, July 13, 2026 at 5:30 p.m., at the Effingham Public Library, 200 N. Third St., Effingham, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Rob Brown. Roll call was taken, with the following trustees present: Jim Boos, Chris Kabbes, and Rob Brown.

(see attached list for others present)

Mr. Boos moved to approve the regular meeting minutes for June 8, 2026. Motion seconded by Mr. Brown, motion carried.

Mr. Brown moved to approve the Treasurer's Report for June 2026. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

Mr. Boos moved to approve the list of bills for June 2026. Motion seconded by Mr. Brown, motion carried.

Topp Acres Road update:

Mr. Brown updated the Board regarding the renovation of Topp Acres road. The road edge was graded, built up and asphalted. To increase the life of the road, it was oiled and chipped with CA16 (limestone) twice. The road will be "swept" to remove the excess chip to eliminate the ripple effect due to excess CA16.

EWA Rider for Lease Assignment:

Language needs to be added to the ten day rule to add additional days to get to Tuesday or Thursday when the EWA office is open. Mr. Boose will prepare the necessary wording.

Non-Agenda:

Mr. Kevin Dust addressed the Board regarding their property in Moccasin Inlet. The EWA office will email the contents of our files to Mr. Dust.

The city used almost 20 million gallons of water in June 2026.

Ms. Jane Montello inquired about putting a lease sample on our website in pdf form.

Attorney:

Mr. Kyle Boose reported that a response from the Winterrowd Lease regarding the breach of lease is due by August 10, 2026.

Court One (Cornell) was given 30 days to initiate cleanup of the property. To date, there has been no change. They have until August 10, 2026 and then will be in breach of their lease.

Regarding Litigation, we are in the "discovery" period and have officially responded.

Attorney Dale Wolff has contacted their office regarding an estate dispute.

Office Manager's Report:

Mrs. Sue Verdeyen reported that she processed seven (7) lease transfers in June.

Lake Superintendent:

Mr. Mike Dirks reported that he did not process any building permits and the water is 1" below normal pool.

Parks and Rec:

Mr. Tom Ryan stated that the Captain made it safely back and the day went really well. He and Mr. Mike Dirks met with the City of Centralia/Raccoon Lake officials regarding shoreline protection. They will be updating the Master Plan before planning any fundraisers.

Friends of Lake Sara:

Ms. Jane Montello reported the next meeting will be August 21, 2026 at A1 Liquors. They have 133 members and 14 business members.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Brown at 6:40 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary