

The Eastern Water and Wastewater Network met on Tuesday, May 6, 2025, at 500 S Catherine St. Ahoskie NC 27910. The Town of Ahoskie hosted the meeting. 23 members were present.

<u>Hunter Smith</u> gave a welcome <u>Jason Glover</u> called the meeting to order.

Program was <u>Bryce Wilde</u> from <u>American Flow Control</u>. <u>Bryce spoke about American Darling and Waterous hydrants and valves.</u>

He had a trailer with a B84B hydrant mounted with cut outs for his presentation.

Bryce gave an overview of the hydrants and some industry tips and techniques for field maintenance

Introductions were given.

- Motion was made by <u>Chris Lambert</u> to dispense the reading of the April, 8<sup>th</sup> 2025 minutes, from Bell Arthur Water.
- 2<sup>Nd</sup> was given by Joyce Snader.
- Motion carried.

## **Old Business**

NCRWA conference is next week in Winston Salem

EWWN will be sending Buck Pittman as a representative

Fortiline will pay for the brochures for Buck to hand out



## **New Business**

United Systems & Software has applied for membership and paid their dues of \$300. David Tawes is a representative.

- Chris Lambert made a motion to approve the request for membership
- Nick Lolies gave a 2<sup>nd</sup>.
- Motion carried

## **Open Discussion**

Nick Lolies commented that Perquimans County was experiencing issues with PMSI (a billing company out of Raleigh). Bills have not been mailed out.

Jason Glover shared that Rocky Mount was switching vendors for their gas monitors/O2 sensors. They have been using Honeywell but feel that the technology is old. Now they are working with Safety Products and using a newer model from Watch Gas and they are pleased with the products.

Johny Spencer with Consolidated Pipe invited everyone to Camel City BBQ next Tuesday in Winston Salem @ 6pm

Hunter Smith shared about Rapid Radios and how Ahoskie was saving money and improving efficiency with the cell based push-to-talk radios that work anywhere in the USA.

Jon Long with Fortiline pointed out price increases across the board due to the presidential tariffs being implemented. He warned we should all check around for best pricing.



## **Meeting Places and Dates:**

June 10<sup>th</sup> -Perquimans Co July 8<sup>th</sup> - Windsor August 12<sup>th</sup> - GUC September 9<sup>th</sup> – Martin County October- Backhoe Rodeo- Tarboro November- Open

The next meeting will be June 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025 and will be hosted by Perquimans Co.

Treasure's Report:

Deposited \$300 since April's meeting. Total balance is \$3,972.73.

The Money Market account has \$10,229.98 and shows interest gain of \$27.

- Motion to adjourn by Chris Lambert.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> by Johny Spencer.
- Motion Carried.

Lunch was provided by Core and Main at Otto's BBQ.

Matt Wilson

EWWN - Secretary