

Ames Lake Water Association Board of Directors Meeting
January 14, 2025
6:00 PM

Meeting Minutes

Call to Order

David Hoffmann called to order the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Ames Lake Water Association (ALWA) at 6:09 PM on January 14, 2025. The meeting was conducted at the ALWA business office. The following Board members were present:

- David Hoffmann (President)
- Jeff Villnow (Vice President)
- Sherri Zucker (Treasurer)
- David Beecher (Secretary)
- Michael Bicak (remote)
- Merlyn Blue
- Ron Hopper

Also present:

- Jeremy Reier (Water System Manager)
- Christine Lemons (Business Manager)
- Keenan Ferar (Consultant)
- Richard Jonson (Counsel)

Changes or Additions to Agenda. None

Business from the floor. None

Consent Agenda

The Board reviewed the contents of the Consent Agenda, containing:

- Membership Transfers
- Water Loss Adjustments
- Aging accounts

Motion to Approve Consent Agenda: Michael motioned; Sherri seconded. All approved.

Financial Reports and Membership Count

- Motion to Approve Checklist: Sherri motioned; Merlyn seconded. All approved.

Consultant Reports-

- Gray & Osborne reported on the following:
- Emergency Response Plan discussions
- Completed the wildfire Emergency Response action plan
- Jonson & Jonson King County franchise compensation issues discussed.

Management Reports

System Manager Report: Jeremy reported on the following:

- Water Loss: 21.3% (up 11.1%) Potential Leaks Identified: Possible Leaking blowoff assembly.
- Two new lithium batteries purchased for Carnation Tank Solar Site
- Purchased a Water leak detector to help with the water loss detection for current and future use.
- Some goals for the 2025 year:
 - Reduce water loss <4%
 - Complete Risk & Resiliency Assessment
 - Continue Air Release Valve Rebuild & Inspection Program
 - Continue Blowoff assembly replacement
 - Water Main Replacement 40th St. & northern portion of lake
 - Complete InfraMAP asset accuracy placement and connect meter service lines
 - Replace Iowa Fire hydrants in the southern portion of the system
- 40th St. Main Replacement design underway
- Survey for the north end of the lake has been approved

Business Manager Report: Christine reported on the following:

- Office activities, banking, cash flow, leak adjustments, aging accounts, accounts receivable, budget vs actual status and loan balances.
- Prepared 1099 for vendors- to be sent out on 1/31/25
- CISA report had no vulnerabilities
- Went over the benefit savings after Carl's retirement

New Business

- None

Business from the Board

- None

Review of Action Items

- None

Adjournment- David adjourned the meeting at 7:56 PM.