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### Notice

As required by Section 311, Title 25 of the Oklahoma Statutes, notice is given that the Board of Directors of Rural Water District No. 5 of McCurtain County will meet at 4:00 p.m. January 13, 2026, at the water office for a regular monthly board meeting.

### Order of Business

1. Call meeting to order.
2. Roll Call (Declare a quorum).
3. Recognition of Guests
4. Proof of Posting of Meeting.
5. Consideration & Approval of Consent Agenda.
  - a. Approval of Minutes.
  - b. Approval of Bills and Disbursement.
  - c. Approval of Financial Report.
  - d. Approval of New Benefit Units.
  - e. Approval of New Transfer of Benefit Units.
  - f. Approval of Submittals from the 2022A loan fund
6. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection of Manager's Report. Presented by Dusty Payne.
7. Comments from the Public. (Limit of 3 minutes per individual and must pertain to agenda items)
8. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection to approve the appointment of a board member to fill the current vacancy on the Board of Directors for McCurtain Rural Water District No.5 until the next annual meeting election June 18, 2026. (Dawn Hibben, Owen McCombs, Clark Chapman)
9. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection of a policy establishing fines for any individual or entity that excavates and damages MCRWD #5 service lines.
10. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection to approve the creation and implementation of Water Alerts System levels and authorize ongoing implementation to ensure continuity of water service operations.
11. Discussion only water district assessment.
12. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection to changing professional retirement advisors from David Aboud (Oklahoma City) to Corey Green (Broken Bow)
13. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection of iPad upgrade (7 each) and possible service tech provider.
14. Skip & Shellye Copeland to address the board on external communications services.

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### Old Business:

15. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection of external communications services.
16. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection of the Truth in Savings Disclosure for First Bank Capital Improvement Account.
17. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection of the district's Annual Budget for February 1, 2026 – January 31, 2027.

18. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection to approve issuance of a district credit card in the name of the Rural Water District, authorize designated employees as users, set credit limits, and adopt written procedures stating that the card is the financial responsibility of the district—not the individual cardholder. First National Bank has sent updated VISA Corporate Agreement and Resolution for the district's credit card.
19. Board discussion only regarding potential backup options for Wi-Fi and cellular service during internet outages, including possible solutions such as Starlink or alternative providers. Nick White with Sporo's Computer Consulting will be providing an estimate.
20. Discussion/Consideration/Approval/Rejection of a second phone line for manager with first responder-priority bandwidth or improved cellular coverage for critical operations.
21. Discussion only about a proposal from Keith Hardin with Espace Communications concerning mail-in ballots and identification of questions for staff to present during a scheduled conference call.
22. **New Business**  
(Any matter not known about or which could not have been reasonably for seen prior to the time of posting.)
23. Consideration & Approval to Adjourn.

I certify that the Notice and Agenda was posted in prominent view at McCurtain County Rural Water No. 5. no later than 4:00pm on the 9th of January 2026.

I certify that the Notice and Agenda was posted on the district's website <https://hochatownwater.com>.



Signature



Printed name of the person posting meeting agenda.