

Board of Commissioners
Central Arkansas Water

AGENDA
(Revised 1/8/2021)

2:00 p.m.
Thursday, January 14, 2021
James T. Harvey Administration Building
221 East Capitol Avenue
Little Rock, Arkansas

The meeting is open to the public in two different ways. You can view the meeting online (link provided on Monday, January 11) and submit short questions or comments utilizing the chat feature, or you may attend in person. If you attend in person, we respectfully request that you notify us in advance, no later than 1:00 pm on Monday, January 11, so we can make sure the room is of sufficient size to accommodate everyone and maintain safe distances. You will be required to wear a facemask covering your mouth and nose, and you will be required to check-in with the police officer on the ground floor, truthfully answer three questions related to potential exposure to COVID-19, and have your temperature taken. You may be denied entrance to the building and meeting if you answer yes to any of the questions or your temperature exceeds 100.4 F. You may also submit comments or questions to the Board of Commissioners by emailing them to Mary Dyson at Mary.Dyson@carkw.com no later than 11:00 am on Thursday, January 14, 2021.

1. **CALL TO ORDER** *(Chair Kendall)*
2. **HIVIP BEHAVIOR OF THE WEEK**
3. **APPROVAL OF MINUTES** *(Chair Kendall)*

December 10, 2020 Regular Meeting

4. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. **Presentation on CAW Ancillary Service Charges**
(Danny Dunn, Director of Distribution)

Staff will review new CAW Ancillary Service Charges added to provide flow and pressure tests as well as leak detection services on private water lines. All existing ancillary charges remain the same. No Board action is required, and all proposed additions will become

Strategic Initiative: 6-C-1
Goal: Explore alternative rate structures to fairly allocate cost recovery and capital investment return.

effective April 1, 2021, absent Board objection per Resolution #2004-02.

5. CONTRACTS/PURCHASES

a. Virtualization Enhancements/Assessments - VDI Desktops (*Allen Vincent, Director of Information Services*)

Staff requests Board approval to purchase and implement Virtual Desktops in the amount of \$125,701.66, from Converge One. These Virtual Desktops are in the IT Master Plan and will support remote users and billing partners with the new Cayenta software.

Strategic Initiative: 4-B-4
Goal: Enhance information technology capabilities.

b. USGS Contract for the 2021 Streamflow and Water Quality Monitoring Work Plan (*Randy Easley, Water Resources Scientist*)

Staff requests Board approval to renew the annual contract with the USGS to monitor streamflows and water quality at Lake Maumelle and Lake Winona. USGS streamflow and monitoring work at the lakes has been ongoing since 1989. Total cost of the contract is \$566,699.00, with the CAW portion of the contract at \$378,049.00, actual dollars and \$13,350.00, in-kind (staff assists in sample collection). The total direct cost to CAW in 2020 was \$378,049.00 and is unchanged for 2021.

Strategic Initiative: 7-C-5
Goal: Effectively and efficiently manage source water quality.

c. 2-Inch Galvanized Water Main Replacements in Little Rock (*Jim Ferguson, Director of Engineering*)

Staff requests Board approval of a construction contract with J.R. Fox Company in the amount of \$724,026.00, to replace approximately 4,700 linear feet of existing water mains identified as being very problematic and high maintenance in three separate areas in Little Rock.

Strategic Initiative: 3-A-1
Goal: Optimize infrastructure performance & increase infrastructure reliability.

d. ArDOT I-30 Crossing Project Water Main Relocations - Package 2 (*Jim Ferguson, Director of Engineering*)

Staff requests Board approval of a construction contract with Diamond Construction in the amount of \$1,949,158.00, to relocate approximately 2,240 linear feet of existing water mains that conflict with proposed construction within the ArDOT I-30 Crossing project.

Strategic Initiative: 3-A-1
Goal: Optimize infrastructure performance & increase infrastructure reliability.

6. DEPARTMENT UPDATES

- a. **Pinnacle Project** (*Jeremy Sparks, CINO and Pinnacle Project Manager*)
- b. **New Website** (*Douglas Shackelford, Director of Public Affairs & Communications*)
- c. **Finance** (*Cynthia Edwards, Director of Finance*)

7. BOARD BRIEFING (*Tad Bohannon, CEO*)

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION (*Chair Kendall*)

- a. **Annual Review of CEO**

9. ADJOURN (*Chair Kendall*)