



## MINUTES

### Waterworks Advisory Committee Meeting

4:00 PM – Thursday, April 16, 2026

City Hall Annex Conference Room

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Call to Order

#### A. ROLL CALL OF WATERWORKS ADVISORY COMMITTEE MEMBERS

**Present:** Ann Hair, Jonathan Martin, Jessy Parker, David Reagan, and Roxana Wallace

**Not Present:** Judy Dare and Carroll Weatherford

**Also Present:** Denny McPhate – Deputy City Manager, Chase Helton – Interim Water Facilities Operations Manager, and Candace Shepherd – Public Works Office Manager

#### B. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

##### Motion to Approve the Agenda

Jonathan Martin made a motion, duly seconded by Ann Hair to approve the agenda as presented. Upon voice vote the motion carried 5-0.

#### C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

##### Motion to Approve the Minutes

Roxana Wallace made a motion, duly seconded by Jonathan Martin to approve the minutes as presented. Upon voice vote the motion carried 5-0.

> Regular Meeting held on January 22, 2026

#### D. STATUS UPDATE ON THE LAKE OUACHITA WATER PLANT

Denny introduced Chase Helton, who is currently serving as the Interim Water Facilities Operations Manager, to report on the status of the Lake Ouachita Water Supply Project. He reported that they have been running water through the new plant since the Ribbon Cutting ceremony. They have run it at full speed, and everything worked correctly. They are currently working to fill the Cornerstone tank. The plan is to shut down the Lakeside plant on Monday. They will also begin slowing production down at the big Ouachita Water Plant in Mountain Pine in the near future. Denny and Chase answered any questions presented by the committee.

#### E. OUACHITA WATER PLANT TOUR

Denny proposed that the committee tour the Ouachita Water Plant in place of their next

meeting since they have already toured the other two plants. That way they can make a comparison of all three. After a brief discussion, the committee decided to meet at the water plant located at 860 Cozy Acres Rd, Mountain Pine, AR, on July 16, 2026, at 3:00 p.m.

**F. COMMITTEE COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS**

City staff made themselves available for questions. Roxana Wallace spoke on two issues that she thought may have an impact on our water in Hot Springs. She discussed the crypto mining facility in Mountain Pine and the proposed quartz mining sites in the Ouachita National Forest.

**G. ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the committee, Jessy Parker made a motion, duly seconded by Jonathan Martin that the meeting be adjourned at 4:40 p.m. and upon voice vote the motion unanimously carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted:  
Candace Shepherd, Public Works Office Manager  
April 17, 2026

Minutes approved:

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Signature

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Approval Date