

REGULAR MEETING
EFFINGHAM WATER AUTHORITY

The regular meeting of the Effingham Water Authority was held on Monday, January 12, 2026 at 5:30 p.m., at the Effingham Public Library, 200 N. Third St., Effingham, Illinois. The meeting was called to order by Rob Brown. Roll call was taken, with the following trustees present: Jim Boos, Chris Kabbes and Rob Brown.

(see attached list for others present)

Mr. Boos moved to approve the regular meeting minutes for November 10, 2025. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

Mr. Boos moved to approve the Treasurer's Reports for November 2025 and December 2025. Motion seconded by Mr. Brown, motion carried.

Mr. Brown moved to approve the lists of bills for November 2025 and December 2025. Motion seconded by Mr. Kabbes, motion carried.

Sami Childerson - IDNR:

Ms. Childerson presented the Board with several options for protecting some of the property around Lake Sara. Mr. Brown moved to have Ms. Childerson proceed with preparing documentation for three (3) specific areas. Motion seconded by Mr. Boos, motion carried.

2025 Boat License Report:

The Board looked over and discussed the boat report and compared it to previous years.

Lot for Sale: Lot 41 Blue Point:

One bid was received from J. Brad and Jonell Hastings in the amount of \$19,000. This is within the 90% of the appraised value. Mr. Brown moved to accept the bid from Mr. & Mrs. Hastings. Motion seconded by Mr. Boos, motion carried.

Non-Agenda:

The city used 50 million gallons of water in November 2025 and 48.6 million gallons in December 2025.

Attorney:

Mr. Kyle Boose reported that he spoke with Mr. Wolff regarding the transfer on death instrument which EWA does not allow and suggested doing a transfer with life estate which is allowed. The proposal was acceptable to their client.

Lake Superintendent:

Mr. Mike Dirks reported that he processed one (1) building permit and the water was 27" below normal pool.

Office Manager's Report:

Mrs. Sue Verdeyen reported that she processed two (2) lease transfers in November 2025 and three (3) lease transfers in December 2025.

Parks and Rec:

Mr. Tom Ryan updated the Board regarding incoming funds and the status of the Beach Improvement project.

Friends of Lake Sara:

Ms. Donna Salvage had nothing to report.

The meeting was adjourned by Mr. Brown at 7:02 p.m.

Chairman

Secretary