

**LAMAR UTILITIES BOARD
MINUTES OF THE UTILITIES BOARD MEETING
May 26, 2026**

The Lamar Utilities Board met in regular session at 12:00 p.m. with Chairman Thrall presiding.

Present: Doug Thrall, Patrick Leonard, Jill, Bellomy, Elmer Grett, Kirk Crespin, Houssin Hourieh, Lisa Denman, Leala Owen, Don Steerman, Linda Williams
Lance Clark arrived at 1:37 p.m.

Absent: Jay Brooke

Minutes of Previous Meeting – May 12, 2026

Boardmember Bellomy moved and Boardmember Grett seconded to approve meeting minutes of May 12, 2026.

Voting Yes: Thrall, Leonard, Bellomy, Grett
Voting No: None

Minutes of Previous Special Meeting – May 19, 2026

Boardmember Leonard moved and Boardmember Bellomy seconded to approve special meeting minutes of May 19, 2026.

Voting Yes: Thrall, Leonard, Bellomy, Grett
Voting No: None

Purchase Orders 2025-04951 thru 2025-05167

Boardmember Bellomy moved and Boardmember Leonard seconded to approve purchase orders 2025-04951 thru 2025-05167 in the amount of \$79,632.05 with the correction of 2025-04981 of \$19,780.05 instead of \$19,845.05.

Voting Yes: Thrall, Leonard, Bellomy, Grett
Voting No: None

Payment of Bills

Boardmember Leonard moved and Boardmember Grett seconded to approve payment of bills: Vouchers #56569 through #56599 for a total of \$617,956.52.

Voting Yes: Thrall, Leonard, Bellomy, Grett
Voting No: None

Due to Tyler System Conversion there will be No Report on the November, December, January, February, March or April Financials

System Operating Report

Superintendent Hourieh reported that the line crew completed reconductoring the 1000 block of South 9th street from #6 cu to #4 ACSR wire. They installed three phase 75KVA pole mount transformers that will power McClave Schools pump house. They also installed two new services in town, and are in the process of upgrading the 800 and

900 blocks of South 5th street. The upgrade includes reconductoring, poles, crossarms, and insulator replacement.

Superintendent Hourieh reported that with SD Myers on site the substation crew completed the annual system transformers oil testing. This routine oil testing checks for dissolved gases and moisture content in the transformer oil, in addition to particles count in the load tap changers (LTC's). The testing included substations, wind turbines, and all major transformers in LUB's distribution system. A complete testing results report will be provided by SD Myers. This pro-active approach will improve system reliability and efficiency.

Superintendent Hourieh reported that Linear Labs continues with T-2 data collection and monitoring of the turbine. T-2 is still operating at reduced capacity of 400KW for 2 more weeks. Multiple improvements have been made to the blade pitch system's PLC code by Keba and Bachman, which are being tested in Germany before uploading it to T-2.

Superintendent Hourieh provided a copy of quote from High to Low for the rewinding of the transformer in the amount of \$215,000.00 and will take about 30 weeks.

Executive Session

Boardmember Bellomy moved and Boardmember Grett seconded to enter into an executive session for:

- Receive Legal Advice on Specific Legal Questions Regarding LUB's Discharge Water Permit – Attorney – Client Communication under C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b).

Voting Yes: Thrall, Leonard, Bellomy, Grett

Voting No:

The meeting was recessed and the executive session convened at 12:18 p.m.

Also in attendance was City Administrator Hammes

Attorney Don Steerman left meeting at 1:37 p.m.

Attorney Lance Clark joined meeting at 1:37 p.m.

Boardmember Leonard moved and Boardmember Bellomy seconded to adjourn executive session and the meeting reconvened at 2:09 p.m.

Voting Yes: Thrall, Leonard, Bellomy, Grett

Voting No: None

Chairman Thrall stated that the board has proposed to give up discharge permit if the City agrees to give back the yearly \$350,000.00 and agree if there is a need for L&P to obtain a discharge permit in the future that the City will work with them

Voting Yes: Thrall, Leonard, Bellomy, Grett

Voting No: None

Adjournment

There being no further business to come before the Board, Boardmember Leonard moved and, Boardmember Bellomy seconded that the meeting adjourn.

Voting Yes: Thrall, Leonard, Bellomy, Grett

Voting No: None

The meeting adjourned at 2:12 p.m.

Linda Williams – City Clerk

Doug Thrall – Chairman