

**LAMAR UTILITIES BOARD
MINUTES OF THE UTILITIES BOARD MEETING
March 24, 2026**

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

Present: Jay Brooke, Doug Thrall, Patrick Leonard, Elmer Grett, Kirk Crespin,
Lance Clark, Houssin Hourieh, Lisa Denman, Leala Owen, Linda Williams
Jill Bellomy arrived at 12:04 p.m.

Absent: Kirk Crespin

Amend Agenda to add Item for Executive Session

Boardmember Grett moved and Boardmember Brooke seconded to Amend Agenda to add Executive Session.

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

Minutes of Previous Meeting – March 10, 2026

Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Leonard seconded to approve meeting minutes of March 10, 2026.

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

Boardmember Bellomy arrived at 12:04 p.m.

Purchase Orders 2025-03522 thru 2025-03908

Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Grett seconded to approve purchase orders 2025-03522 thru 2025-03908 in the amount of \$343,780.54.

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

Payment of Bills

Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Leonard seconded to approve payment of bills: Vouchers #56428 through #56456 for a total of \$538,964.06.

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

Due to Tyler System Conversion there will be No Report on the August, September, October, November, December, January, February Financials

Consider Approval of Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 17-SLC-0854 between Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) and Lamar Utilities Board

Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Leonard seconded to approve Amendment No. 1 to Contract No. 17-SLC-0854 between Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) and Lamar Utilities Board.

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

System Operating Report

Superintendent Hourieh reported that due to Tyler system conversion they are unable to provide an update on sales of electricity through February 2026.

Superintendent Hourieh reported that the line crew replaced a 35 ft. class II wooden pole at Cty. Rd. LL and 31 in Bent County, a 45 ft. class II ductile iron pole at Rd. 8 and the Amity Canal, and a 30 ft. service pole at 2nd and Paseo Place in Lamar. These poles were damaged by the high wind storm on February 15, 2026.

Superintendent Hourieh announced that Linear Labs continues with the commissioning process of the T-2 wind turbine Pitch Pro system. The commissioning involves programming, testing motor fans wiring and functions, complete battery testing in auto mode using Visupro software, confirm pitch control and generator speed at various RPM's and bring the system on-line.

Superintendent Hourieh reported that the pitch drive failed and a replacement should be here this week.

Superintendent Hourieh reported that due to controlled burns that got out of control on Saturday at County Rd. 7 and Hwy. 50, and behind Big R, there were multiple burned poles, and a meter that melted. A claim has been opened with CIRSA.

Executive Session

Boardmember Brooke moved and Boardmember Leonard seconded to enter into an executive session for:

- Receive Legal Advice on Specific Legal Questions Regarding Tyler Software Concerns – Attorney – Client Communication under C.R.S. 24-6-402(4)(b).

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

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

City Administrator Hammes was also in attendance.

Boardmember Leonard moved and Boardmember Bellomy seconded to adjourn executive session and the meeting reconvened at 1:10 p.m.

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

Adjournment

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

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

The meeting adjourned at 1:11 p.m.

Linda Williams – City Clerk

Doug Thrall – Chairman