

Minutes of the Lewisburg Water and Sewer Board Meeting – May 19, 2026

The Lewisburg Water and Sewer Board held its regular monthly meeting on May 19, 2026, at 100 Water Street, Lewisburg, Tennessee. Board members present were Secretary Joe Harris, Board Member Linda Thomas, and Board Member Anna Laura Wells. Also present were General Manager Trigg Cathey; Assistant Manager Robert Biggers; Staff Engineer Jake Marquardt; Supervisors Chris Haislip, Tommy Wallace, Cathy Allen, and Will Rodgers; retiree Roscoe Brannon; Accountant Lisa Parsons; and Billing Clerk Lucy Demastus. City Manager Billy Spivey, City Councilman Tommy Burns, and Louis Sloyan of T-Square Engineering were also in attendance.

Secretary Joe Harris called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

Item 1. Election of New Board Chairman

Secretary Joe Harris made a motion that Linda Thomas be appointed to serve as the new Board Chairman.

The motion was seconded by Anna Laura Wells. Motion passed. Voice vote: 3 ayes.

Item 2. Approval of Minutes

Joe Harris made a motion to approve the minutes of the April 14, 2026, meeting.

Anna Laura Wells seconded the motion. Motion passed. Voice vote: 3 ayes.

Item 3. April Bills and Financial Statement

Accountant Lisa Parsons reported on the April bills and financial statement. Joe Harris made a motion to approve the April bills and financial statement. Anna Laura Wells seconded the motion. Motion passed. Voice vote: 3 ayes.

Item 4. Water/Sewer Requests During April, there were 34 residential water tap requests and 27 residential sewer requests.

Item 5. Water Plant Reports and Memos

The water plant operated an average of 19.7 hours per day and maintained a monthly capacity of 90.0%. The three-month water loss average for April was 30.9%. The treatment plant processed 108.0 MG of water during the month, averaging 3.6 MG per day.

Item 6. Wastewater Plant

Employees processed 311,471 gallons of sludge into biosolids and hauled 26,000 gallons of sludge from the Cornersville WWTP for conversion into biosolids. Employees also hauled

96,800 gallons of mud from the WTP and loaded and/or hauled 846 tons of biosolids to various farms.

Flow Totals

- Employees treated and discharged 41.70 MG of wastewater at the Lewisburg Plant.
- Employees treated and discharged 2.7 MG of wastewater at the Cornersville Plant.
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Trips and Classes

Cathy Allen attended TAUD in Lawrenceburg, TN, for CE credit.

Pretreatment

Allison transmissions, Baron (2), WestRock, Talos, and Minth were sampled.

Tours/Visits/Inspections

A tour was provided for Leadership Marshall participants.

Item 7. Other Business

Item 7a. Project Update

1. A project is beginning to replace 3,000 feet of 2.25-inch galvanized water line on Belfast–Farmington Road.
This line has experienced frequent breaks.
The new line will be installed before the existing line is retired. Materials are on hand, and the project will be completed by in-house labor over the next six months.
State approval to proceed has been received.
2. Acorn Hills subdivision sewer cleanouts: The 44-home subdivision, built in 1997, is being reworked.
All sewer cleanouts at each house had been installed backward, with the sweeps directed toward the house. The cleanouts consisted of 6-inch pipe extending approximately 12 inches above grade. Crews began work on Friday, April 10, to excavate each cleanout and install a 4-inch cleanout sweeping away from the house. The cleanouts will be set flush with grade and covered with a plastic meter box to reduce inflow and infiltration and to improve maintenance access. This project has been completed.

3. A major project has begun to excavate and replace the sewer line on Ewing Street from 2nd Avenue (Cornersville Road) to 3rd Avenue.
In two weeks, crews completed approximately one-third of the project. Although the road was closed, local businesses experienced only minimal disruption. Asphalt patches have already been installed in the completed portion. The next segment, extending from Napa Industrial Supply westward and down the alley, is scheduled to begin on Monday, May 18.

Item 7b. Resolution — Pave the South Tank Driveway (Total Cost Not to Exceed \$15,000)

Joe Harris made a motion to adopt the resolution to pave the south tank driveway at a total cost not to exceed \$15,000.

The motion was seconded by Anna Laura Wells. Motion passed. Voice vote: 3 ayes.

Miscellaneous

1. Joe Harris asked management to explore guidelines for contract labor employees.
2. The Board also inquired about a succession plan.
3. Joe Harris asked those in attendance to give Bill Marsh a standing ovation for his 13 years of service on the water board.

Joe Harris made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Anna Laura Wells seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 12:22 p.m.

Chairman, Linda Thomas

Secretary, Joe Harris