



Moore County EMWD Board of Directors

November 4, 2025 | 5:00 PM
Historic Courthouse
1 Courthouse Square
Carthage, NC 28327

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Vice Chairman Picerno, Jim Von Canon, Tom Adams

DIRECTORS ABSENT

Chairman Kurt Cook, John Ritter

CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chairman Picerno called the meeting to order.

1. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

- A. Governing Body - August 5, 2025, Special Meeting Minutes
Upon motion made by Director Adams, seconded by Director Von Canon, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the August 5, 2025, East Moore Water District (EMWD) Special Meeting Minutes.

- B. Public Works – Deed of Dedication for Fortis Farms Subdivision
 Public Works Director Brian Patnode presented the Deed of Dedication for the water infrastructure in the Fortis Farms Subdivision. The utilities construction has been completed and is ready for operation and acceptance by the East Moore Water District.
 Any acceptance of ownership that places additional financial burden on East Moore Water District will be covered by the utility ratepayers.

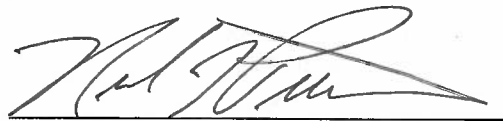
Upon motion made by Director Adams, and seconded by Director Von Canon, the Board voted 3-0 to accept the Deed of Dedication of the Fortis Farms Subdivision and authorize the Chairman to sign.

- C. Public Works - Resolution Authorizing Amendment of the East Moore Water District Water Ordinance to Extend the Payment Period During Certain Events
 Public Works Director Brian Patnode presented a resolution amending the East Moore Water District Water Ordinance.
 There are certain extenuating circumstances, such as the recent federal government shutdown, that may warrant extending the payment period for utility bills. The EMWD Water Ordinance, as currently written, does not authorize exceptions to the billing and disconnection requirements. Adding this option to the ordinance will provide flexibility to serve customers better if needed.

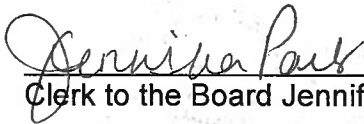
Upon motion made by Director Adams, seconded by Director Von Canon, after comments made by Vice Chairman Picerno, the Board voted 3-0 to approve the resolution amending the East Moore Water District Water Ordinance authorizing extension of the payment period in the event of certain circumstances as outlined in the Resolution. A copy of the resolution is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes by attachment as Appendix A.

ADJOURNMENT

Upon motion made by Director Von Canon, seconded by Vice Chairman Picerno, the Board voted 3-0 to adjourn the November 4, 2025, Special Meeting of the East Moore Water District Board of Directors at 5:05pm.



Vice Chairman, Nick Picerno



Clerk to the Board Jennifer Parks





**RESOLUTION ALLOWING EAST MOORE WATER DISTRICT TO EXTEND
PAYMENT PERIOD FOR UTILITY SERVICES FOR FEDERAL EMPLOYEES
AFFECTED BY GOVERNMENT SHUTDOWNS OR FOR COUNTY RESIDENTS
AFFECTED BY NATURAL DISASTERS, DECLARED STATES OF EMERGENCY
OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES**

Whereas, the East Moore Water District Water Ordinance provides that payments on water and sewer accounts are past due if not paid within twenty-one (21) days; and

Whereas, there may be times when significant numbers of customers of East Moore Water District may be affected by circumstances beyond their control, including but not limited to natural disasters, pandemics and government shutdowns; and

Whereas, significant numbers of federal employees and active duty military members who may be required to continue working without pay during the current government shutdown reside in Moore County and are East Moore Water District customers; and

Whereas, the current East Moore Water District Water Ordinance does not allow extension of time of payment of utility bills without penalty and/or disconnection beyond twenty-one (21) days; and

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the East Moore Water District Board of Directors hereby amends the East Moore Water District Water Ordinance as follows:

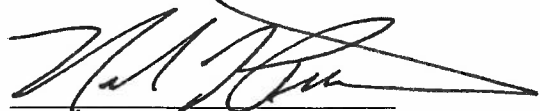
Section 9. Billing (Paper and E-bills)

Payment in full is due twenty-one (21) days from the bill date. Any balance equal to or greater than \$5.01 carried forward will incur a late fee in accordance with the adopted fee schedule for the current fiscal year.

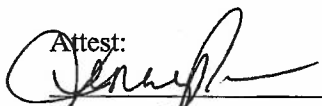
The County will be not responsible for late, undeliverable bills, or payments delayed by the United States Postal Service or other delivery services or means. Failure to receive a utility bill shall not relieve the customer from payment of said utility bill. Email address changes must be received in writing when E-bill services are chosen. Failure to receive a utility bill shall not relieve the customer from payment of said utility bill.

In the event of a natural disaster, declared state of emergency, government shutdown, or other circumstances substantially affecting East Moore Water District's customers' ability to pay utility bills in a timely fashion, the period of time in which payment is due without penalty may be extended, as determined by the East Moore Water District Board of Directors, or by the County Manager/designee in the event that such extension of time is necessary before Board action can be reasonably be taken. In no event shall the extension of time continue for more than thirty (30) days after the underlying natural disaster, declared state of emergency, government shutdown, or similar types of events end.

This the 4 day of November 2025.



~~Kurt Cook, Chair~~ Nick Pierney, Vice Chairman

Attest: 

Jenny Parks, Clerk
Clerk to the Board

