



Moore County EMWD Board of Directors

January 20, 2026 | 5:15 PM
Historic Courthouse
1 Courthouse Square
Carthage, NC 28327

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT

Chairman Nick Picerno, Vice Chairman Jim Von Canon, Kurt Cook, and Tom Adams

BOARD MEMBERS ABSENT

John Ritter

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Picerno called the meeting to order.

1. ITEMS OF BUSINESS

A. East Moore Water District Board of Directors - Approval of Minutes

Upon motion made by Vice Chairman Von Canon, seconded by Director Cook, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the January 6, 2026, Special Meeting Minutes of the East Moore Water District Board of Directors.

B. Administration - FY 2026-2027 Proposed Budget Adoption Schedule for the East Moore Water District (EMWD)

The proposed FY 2026-2027 budget schedule was presented for approval as follows by County Manager Vest:

- Tuesday, May 19, 2026 - The EMWD Board of Directors receives the fiscal year 2026-2027 proposed budget by June 1 per G.S. 159-11(b).
- Tuesday, May 19, 2026 - The call to public hearing will be held at the Tuesday, June 2, 2026, EMWD Board of Directors meeting.
- Tuesday, June 2, 2026 - Budget Public Hearing is held per G.S. 159-12(b). More public hearings can be held if needed. Before the budget ordinance for EMWD can be adopted, the Board of Directors shall hold a public hearing at which time any persons who wish to be heard on the EMWD budget may appear.
- Adopt the FY 2026-2027 Proposed EMWD Budget at a special called meeting of the EMWD Board of Directors prior to July 1, 2026 per G. S. 159-13; Not earlier than 10 days after the day the budget is presented to the board and not later than July 1, the board shall adopt a budget ordinance.
- Work Sessions will be held as requested by the EMWD Board of Directors at any time during the budget cycle.

It was noted that June 4, 2026, at 5:00pm, would be the date for the Special Meeting after the Public Hearing for consideration of adoption of the EMWD Budget.

Upon motion made by Vice Chairman Von Canon, seconded by Director Cook, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the budget schedule which includes the statutory requirement for the public hearing to be held on Tuesday, June 2, 2026 and adopt the East Moore Water District FY 2026-2027 Budget at a special called meeting by the EMWD Board of Directors prior to July 1, 2026.

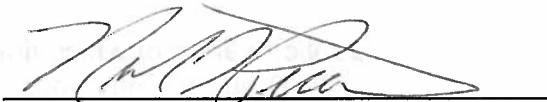
- C. East Moore Water District Board of Directors - EMWD Phase 5 Resolution
County Manager Wayne Vest presented for approval the Resolution Requesting Support for State and Federal Funding for the Wadsworth Road Project. The Wadsworth Road (East Moore Water District Phase 5) project is estimated to cost \$6 million and will serve a rural area of Moore County by installing approximately 64,200 water lines along Wadsworth, Torchwood, Manor, Red Branch, and McCrimmon Roads. The area to be served has struggled to locate and maintain an adequate well water supply, and these struggles have led the County to receive a petition from property owners requesting assistance with the water supply.

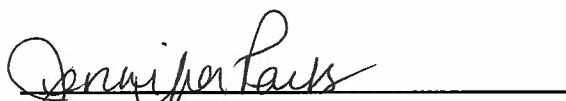
The East Moore Water District Board of Directors has also heard from residents in the area who report that some households must regularly have water hauled in and stored in containers. The Board previously approved a resolution requesting assistance from State/Federal funding sources. This request amends the earlier resolution to add that the County will provide up to a 25% match for the project.

Upon motion made by Chairman Picerno, seconded by Director Adams, the Board voted 4-0 to approve the amended Resolution for Requesting Support for State and Federal Funding for Wadsworth Road Project. *This resolution is hereby made a part of these minutes by attachment at Appendix A.*

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Director Adams moved, seconded by Vice Chairman Von Canon, to adjourn the Special Meeting of the East Moore Water District Board of Directors at 5:20pm.


Chairman, Nick Picerno


Clerk to the Board, Jennifer Parks

**RESOLUTION FOR REQUESTING SUPPORT FOR STATE AND FEDERAL FUNDING
FOR WADSWORTH ROAD PROJECT**

WHEREAS, Wadsworth Road (East Moore Water District Phase 5) project is estimated to cost \$6 million; and

WHEREAS, this project will serve a rural area of Moore County by installing approximately 64,200 water lines along Wadsworth, Torchwood, Manor, Red Branch, and McCrimmon Roads; and

WHEREAS, the area is zoned RA and consists primarily of residential single-family homes spread throughout the project area; and

WHEREAS, the area to be served has and continues to struggle with locating and maintaining adequate well water supply; and

WHEREAS, the struggles have resulted in the County receiving a petition from property owners in the area requesting assistance with water supply; and

WHEREAS, the East Moore Water District Board of Directors have also heard from residents in the area explaining how some are having to have water hauled in and placed in storage containers on a regular basis. The East Moore Water District Board of Directors will provide up to 25% match of the total project.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the East Moore Water District Board of Directors requests the support of State and Federal funding for the Wadsworth Road (East Moore Water District Phase 5) project.

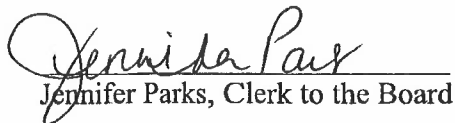
BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, the East Moore Water District Board of Directors will provide up to 25% match of the total project.

Adopted and resolved, this the 20 day of January, 2026 by the East Moore Water District Board.



Nick Picerno, Chairman
East Moore Water District

Attest:



Jennifer Parks, Clerk to the Board