

Illinois Water Authority Association

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NEWSLETTER

February 2025

Quarterly Board & Member Meeting Scheduled for March 6, 2025

The Association's Quarterly Board Meeting is scheduled for March at Avanti's Restaurant in Bloomington. Dinner cost will be covered by the Association. Attorneys and members of all water authorities are also invited. The agenda for the evening is printed on page 4. Dinner begins at 5:00 pm and the business meeting begins at 6:00 pm. **Please RSVP by February 25.**

Illinois Water Authority Meeting Minutes December 5, 2024

Call to Order: Chairman Susan Adams called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m.

Roll Call: Gary Williams, Dean Hudson, Phyllis Hudson, Mike Funk, Susan Adams, Jim Todd, Tom Cross. By Zoom: Jerry Elliott, Mark McGrath, Dan Nagel, Randy Fornoff. Six Water authorities were present.

Approval of Agenda: Motion to accept the agenda of the evening meeting was made by Dan Nagel and seconded by Mike Funk. Motion carried.

Minutes of September 5, 2024 meeting: Motion was made to accept the minutes by Jim Todd and were seconded by Dean Hudson. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report: The Treasurer's report and Annual Financial Review were given by Mary Auth. The balance of the Treasurer's report as of December 5, 2024, was \$64,892.91. Motion was made by Randy Fornoff and seconded by Dan Nagel to accept the report. Motion carried.

Approval of 2025 Budget: Mary Auth presented a budget for fiscal year 2025. She compared the proposed and actual budget of 2024 to the 2025 Budget.

MAC Update and Regional Water Supply Planning Committee: The MAC was in the process of applying to IDNR for grant money that is available for 2 years, but it was denied. Susan Adams said the grant for irrigation study was turned down in the Champaign area. She also mentioned concern about the underground carbon-capture storage with no protection for the Mahomet Aquifer.

Legislative Review 103rd General Assembly: Susan Adams is receiving updates from Creative Resources and watching for legislation that would affect water authorities or the Water Use Act of 1983. There is a shell bill (HB0259) which is being kept track of. A bill is being worked on to ban CO2 storage located around a sole source aquifer.

Nominating Committee Report: Dean Hudson (chair), Jim Todd, and Jeff Smith suggested Mike Funk as Vice-Chairman and Gary Williams as Secretary. There is no nomination for Executive Committee Member at Large.

Election of Vice-Chairman and Secretary: A motion was made by Jim Todd and seconded by Tom Cross to keep Mike Funk as Vice-Chairman and Gary Williams as Secretary. Motion passed. A vote was taken to retain them for these offices. The vote was unanimous in favor.

Consideration of bills: Attorney Mark McGrath (\$306.00), Mary Auth-Admin (\$735.00), Creative Resources (\$425.00), and Avantis (\$236.82). A motion was made by Dan Nagel to pay the bills, and it was seconded by Jim Todd. Motion carried.

Next Meeting: March 6th meeting will be at Avantis at 5:00 p.m. and the meeting at 6:00. Mo

Adjournment: A motion was made by Dean Hudson and seconded by Tom Cross to adjourn. Motion carried. Meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Gary Williams, Secretary

2025 Meeting Dates		
March 6	Avanti's Bloomington	Membership Meeting
April 9	Springfield	Illinois Ag Legislative Day
May 1	Via phone conference	Executive Committee
August 7	Via phone conference	Executive Committee
September 4	Avanti's Bloomington	Membership Meeting
November 6	Via phone conference	Executive Committee
December 4	Avanti's Bloomington	Membership Meeting

Bloomington serves as a central point for most of the membership, thus Avanti's will continue to be used for the membership meeting. If anyone within the membership suggests an alternative location, it will be investigated. Avanti's Italian Restaurant is located at **3302 East Empire Street, Bloomington**

Zoom, Zoom Zoom. Again for the March meeting we are setting up a Zoom call. An electronic invitation will be going out to those who have an email address on file with IWAA. But in the meantime, here is the link to the March 6 meeting.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85089486371?pwd=STQtXtjHtzAYJvP94IlifAToyow3uA.1>

Meeting ID: 850 8948 6371

Passcode: 215922

Email addresses: make sure your email address is current with IWAA. We are discontinuing the distribution of the newsletter via mail – except to those who do not have an email address.

Illinois Water Authority Association
Financial Report
Period: Dec 5, 2024 - February 20, 2025

Checking account balance as of December 5 2024 **\$ 23,576.55**

Receipts

		\$	
12/9/2024	Deposit - Membership dues	1,200.00	
	Deposit -		
12/31/2024	Interest	2.98	
	Deposit -		
1/31/2025	Interest	2.88	
	Total Receipts		\$ 1,205.86

Disbursements/Expenses

12/9/2024	Check 1319 - Mary Auth	325.23	
12/9/2024	Check 1321 - Avantis	236.82	
12/13/2024	Check 1322 - Mike Funk	129.29	
12/16/2024	Check 1320 - McGrath Law Offices	1,055.00	
12/31/2024	Check 1324 - Mary Auth	309.20	
1/22/2025	Check 1323 - Creative Resources	425.00	
1/23/2025	Electronic Check - US Treasury (payroll taxes)	21.42	
	Total Disbursements		\$ 2,501.96

Checking account balance as of February 20 2025 **\$ 22,280.45**

Assets (CDs)	BoP Minier #5308 28mo 3.3% 5/30/25	\$ 10,680.31	
	Bop Miner #6186 28mo 3.5% 9/22/25	10,531.24	
	Alliance #250 18mo 4.33% 10/10/25	10,324.79	
	Alliance #297 18mo 3.75% 04/21/26	10,094.82	
	Total CDs		\$ 41,631.16
	TOTAL FUNDS AVAILABLE		\$ 63,911.61

Updated financial statement will be available as a hard copy at the March 5, 2025 membership meeting.

IMPORTANT DISCUSSION AND VOTE ON BYLAWS – PLEASE TRY TO ATTEND IN PERSON OR BY ZOOM

**Illinois Water Authority Association
Quarterly Member Meeting
March 6, 2025, 5:00 – 7:00 p.m. CST
Avant's in Bloomington, IL**

Registration -----4:45 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Dinner -----5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Business Meeting -----6:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

<u>Current Membership</u>	* ALLIN TOWNSHIP WATER AUTH.	* MT HOPE/FUNKS GROVE WATER AUTH.
	* DANVERS TOWNSHIP WATER AUTH.	* RUSSELL ALLISON WATER AUTH.
	* IMPERIAL VALLEY WATER AUTH.	* SOUTH ROSS TOWNSHIP WATER AUTH.
	* MACKINAW VALLEY WATER AUTH.	* SUGAR GROVE WATER AUTH.
	* MENARD COUNTY WATER AUTH.	* SUSAN J ADAMS - ASSOCIATE
	* NORTHERN LOGAN CO. WATER AUTH.	

Current Leadership	SUSAN J. ADAMS - Chairman	MICHAEL FUNK - Vice Chairman
	GARY WILLIAMS - Secretary	DONALD OSBORN, JR. - Treasurer
	MARY AUTH – Exec. Administrator.	MARK J. McGRATH, Attorney

AGENDA

1. Call to order - Susan Adams
2. Approval of Agenda **<ACTION>**
3. Roll Call -
4. Minutes of December 5, 2024 Meeting (copy on page 1) - Susan Adams **<ACTION>**
5. Treasurer's Report/Annual Financial Review - Donald Osborn, Mary Auth **<ACTION>**
6. Discussion approval of Bylaw change – Susan Adams **<ACTION>**
7. Update on MAC, & 104th General Assembly – Susan Adams
8. Nominating Committee Report – Dean Hudson (chair), Jim Todd and Jeff Smith
9. Election of Executive Committee Member at Large **<ACTION>**
10. Comments/updates from attorney Mark McGrath
11. Consideration of Bills for Payment – Adams, McGrath, Mary Auth & others **<ACTION>**
12. Illinois Ag Legislative Day (April 9), Attendance, Ag Directory listing **<ACTION>**
13. Other Business
14. Date for next Member Meeting – June 5, 2025
15. Adjourn **<ACTION>**

Trustees of the above listed member water authorities may be in attendance at this meeting

Menu for dinner

Meatballs with sauce

Mostaccioli with original meat sauce

Chef Salad

Caesar Salad

Fudge brownie and cookie