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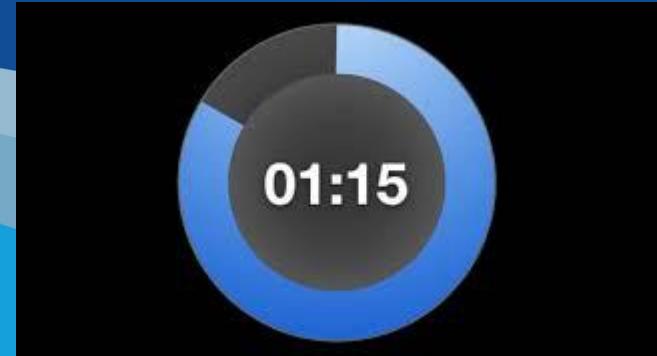
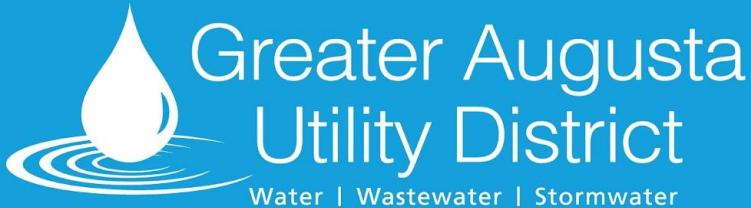
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Trustees Meeting

Monday, November 24, 2025

22 Arsenal Street, Augusta, ME

6:00 PM



Introductions - Board of Directors



Ken Knight



Bob Corey



Bradley Sawyer



Cecil Munson



Patrick Paradis



Keith Luke



Keith Taylor



Kara Tudman-Walker



Tim Dennett

Introductions - Management



Brian Tarbuck
General Manager



Andy Begin
Assistant General Manager



Mike Payne
Finance Director

Consultants



Alan Burton
HR Consultant



Meredith Strang Burgess
PR Consultant



Greater Augusta
Utility District
Water | Wastewater | Stormwater

Old business - approve meeting minutes

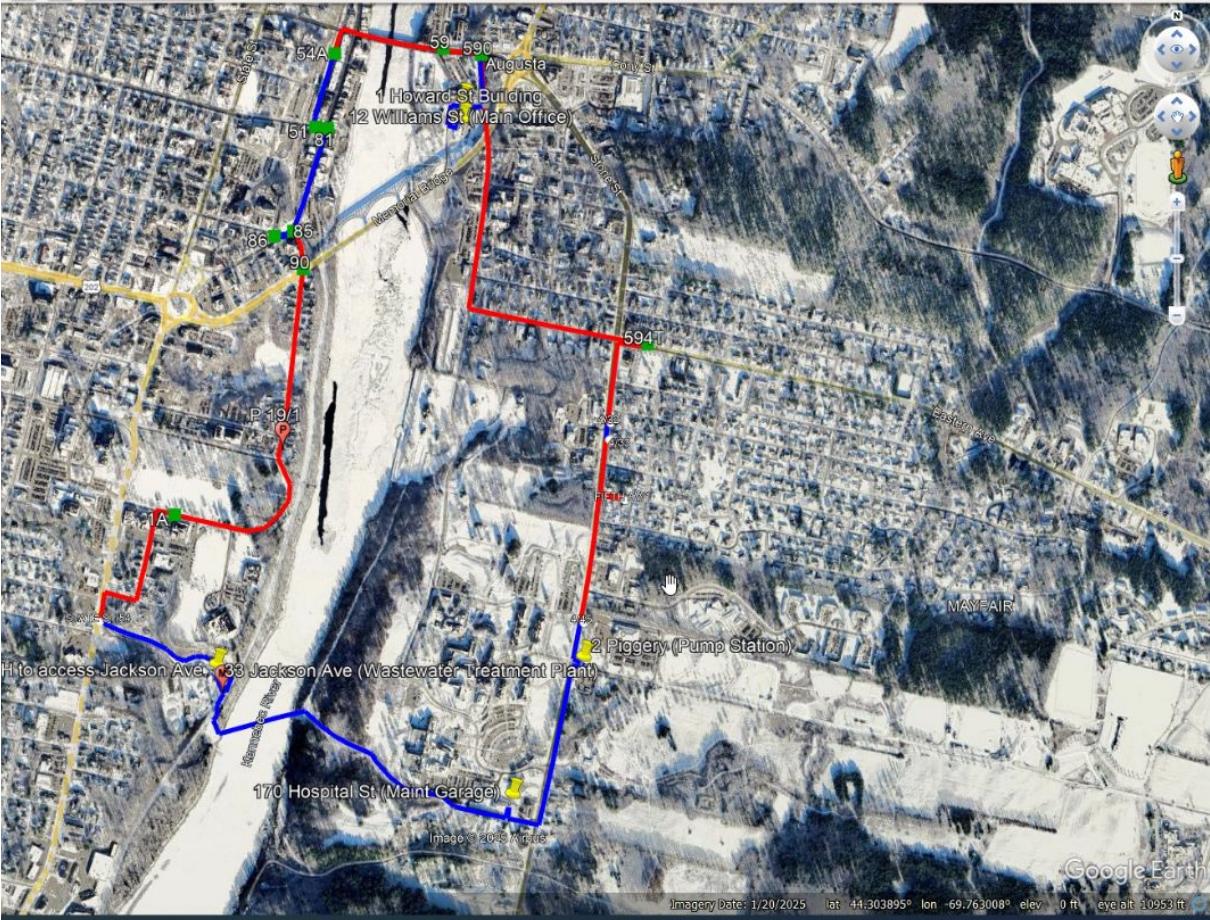
Motion 1: I move to accept the Board meeting minutes for September 22, 2025 and October 21, 2025..

Old business - rate committee update

The rate committee met on November 13th.

Kennebec River Utility Crossing

- Fiber buildout happening before the end of the year.
 - Fidium
 - GoNetSpeed



Front Street Sewer Pump Station



- 100% Complete, Pending release of retainage.

Riverside Drive PFAS/PFOA Design

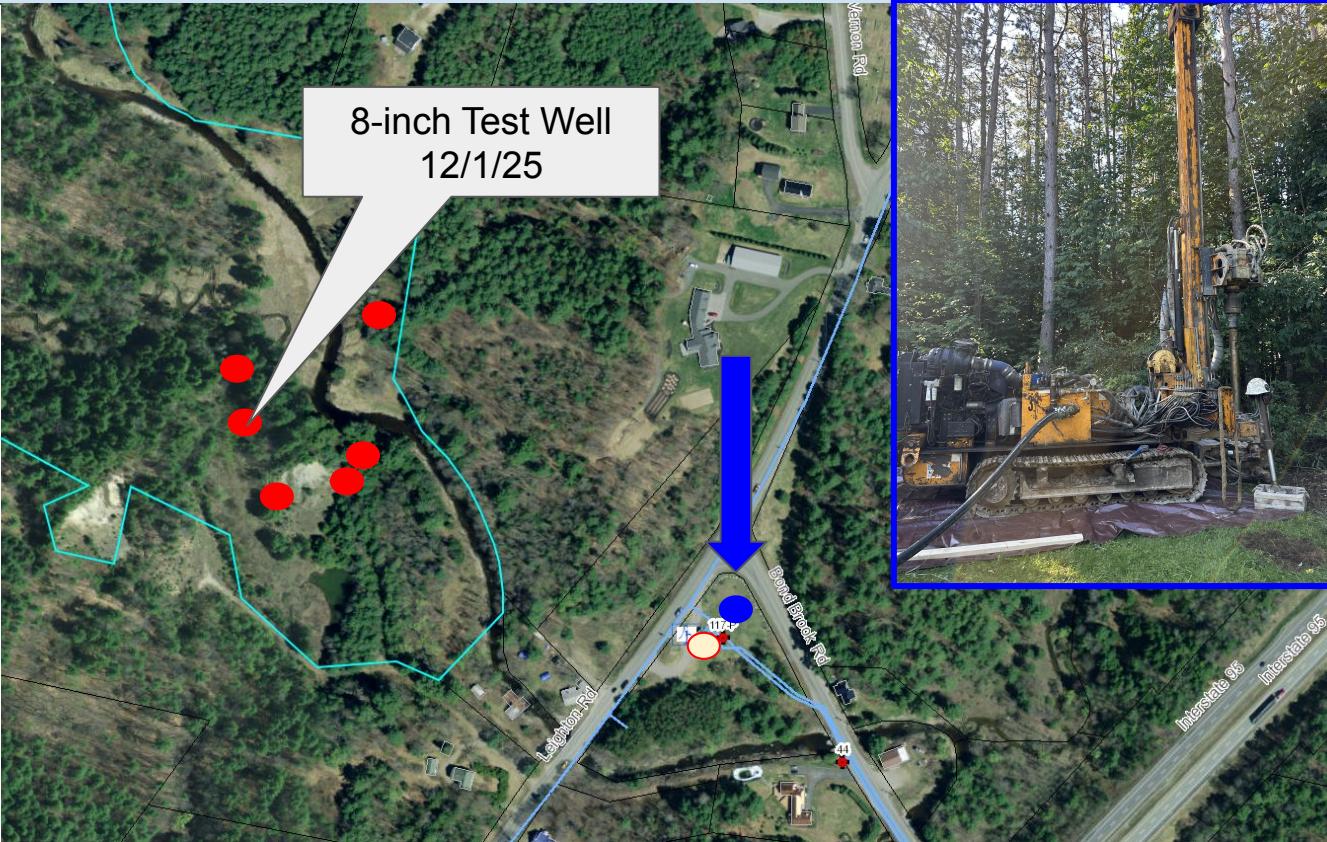
- Building modifications bids received on 10/8.
- Award to Blane Casey
- Construction starting on 11/24/25.
- Completion expected by March, 2026, same timing as the filter equipment.
- Filters should be online by July, 2026

Contractor	Total
Blane Casey	\$258,892
T-Buck Construction	\$306,180
CH Stevenson	\$440,000
Phelan Construction	\$497,056



North Augusta Well Exploration (mitigate PFAS)

- **Test well** program starting on 9/24/25, ongoing for 1-2 weeks.
- A test well will be placed on our Triangle property to confirm a location for a **replacement well**.
- DEP and COA helped make this all happen, thank you.



Brooks & St. Catherine Water/Sewer/Storm/Road Rebuild

- 400 feet of storm main installed on St. Catherine St.
- About 180 feet of water main installed on lower Brooks St.
- The contractor is base paving St. Catherine and lower Brooks and winterizing the site. Upper Brooks will be done in the spring of 2026.



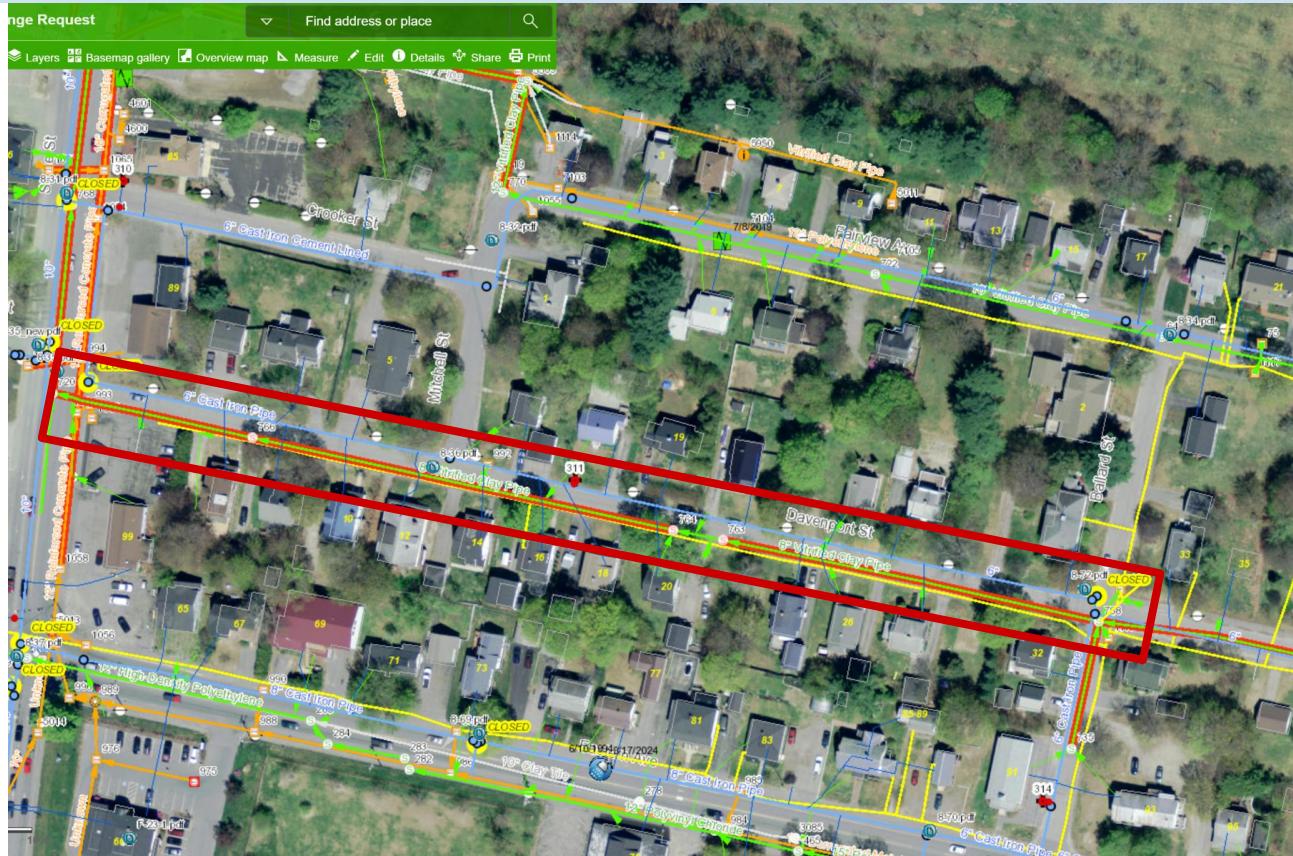
TL 2&4 Upgrades

- Finalizing the funding application and environmental review.
- Soil borings complete.
- Alternatives analysis for resource crossings.
- Preliminary Easement Discussions.
- 3.5 miles
- \$2M CDS grant funding for a \$10-\$12M project.
- We are able to put more engineering time into this project now that some are finishing up.



Davenport Street Storm & Water Main

- Bids due on 12/11
- Separate 3 catch basins from the sewer by installing 1,000 feet of storm main to improve drainage
- Install 1,000 feet of new 8" D.I. water main to replace 1911, 6" C.I.
- Q2 2026 Construction.
- Lots of ledge...



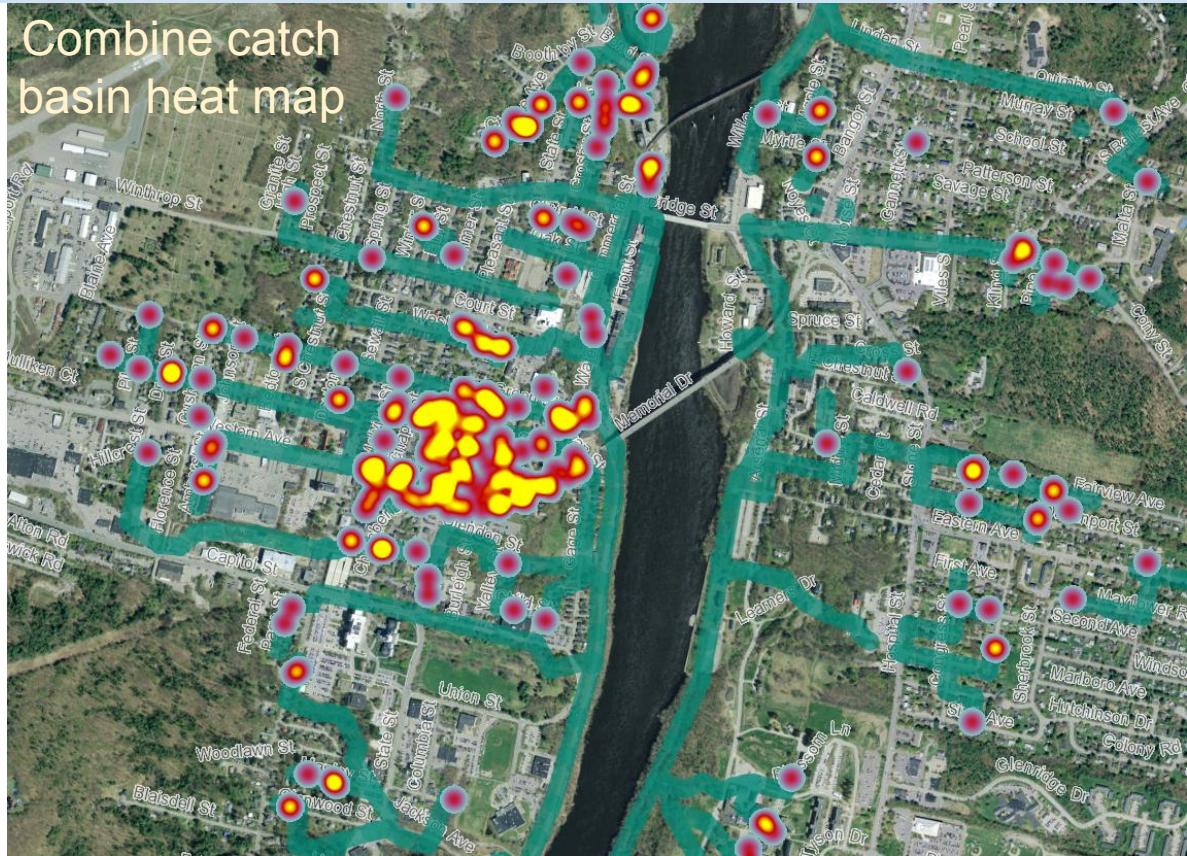
Amherst Street Water & Storm Main

- This will bid in December
- Separating 2 combined catch basins near Western Avenue.
- Budget \$357,500 (Water), \$120,000 (storm)



Memorial Drive Stormwater Separation

- Misprint in Board Packet, this is ready for bid, we are in preliminary design.
- 1,200 of 30" Storm Main
- Multi-phase project to separate over 60 combine catch basin from the sewer. The first phase includes work on Memorial Drive to Gage Street.



Eastern Avenue Water Main Replacement

- Design
- 6,300 feet of 12-inch water main from Hospital Street to Cony Road.
- Replace leak prone 6" & 8" unlined cast iron water main, approximately 100 yrs old.
- Estimated at \$4M. This will be a multi-year replacement.



Replace 2 utility trucks

- Trucks arrived today! Ordered in May...



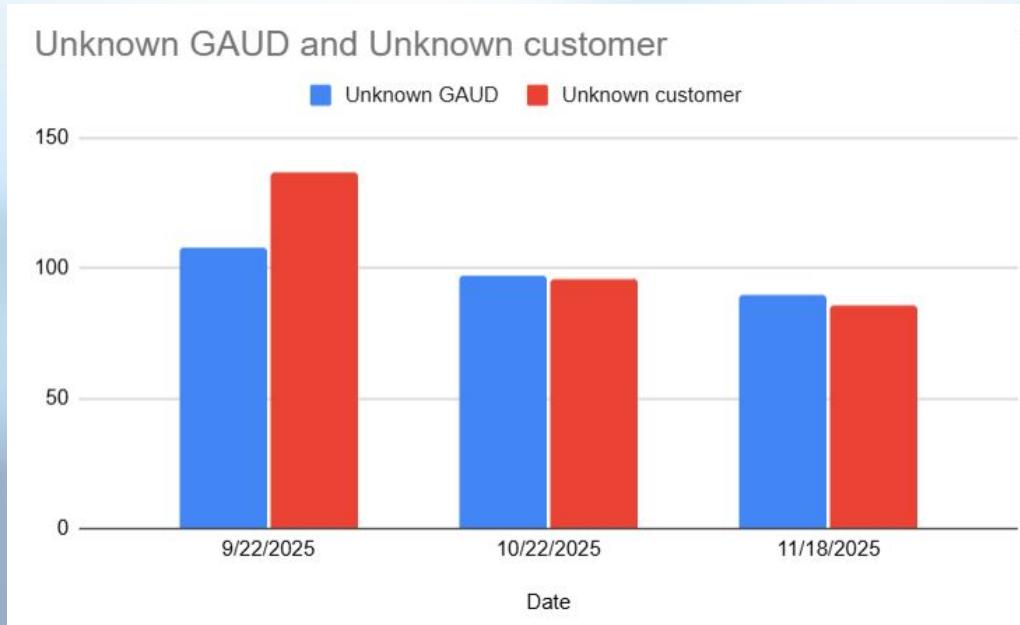
Old business - General Manager's report

Employee anniversaries

Name	Years
Lee Cumber	33
Ken Knight	22
Troy Maheux	7
Joe Perkins-Macdonald	1
Tucker Ladd	1

Old business - General Manager's report

- John Cummons elected to NEBRA board of directors
- Building improvements - electrical panel and fire control panel
- Union agreement has been executed



Old business - General Manager's report

- December 9 to 11, Maine Rural Water Association Conference, Bangor
- December 18, Gardiner, MWUA bimonthly meeting

PFAS Update

- Covered under projects

Bob Webber visual buffer complaint

- Discussed in September
- Reviewed easement
- **Management recommends not planting trees over infrastructure that we work to keep free of trees**

Winthrop Utilities District management change

- Dan Wells, WUD superintendent, retires in January
- WUD wanted to meet with GAUD board to discuss the transition

October, 2025 Water income statement summary

- Revenue was **\$6.3M** which is **10% over budget** and approximately **\$722K above** the same period last year.
- Expenses were **\$4.0M** which is **1% over budget** and approximately **\$586K above** the same period last year.

Water Revenue

	Budget	Actual YTD	% Used
Metered	4,113,118	3,613,525	88%
Fire Protection	2,415,640	2,005,366	83%
Investment income	5,000	45,129	903%
Other Income/Grants	250,000	639,457	256%
Sum:	6,783,758	6,303,478	93%

Water Expenses

	Budget	Actual YTD	% Used
Labor and fringe	2,318,465	1,801,047	78%
Power	286,144	253,130	88%
Supplies	500,392	511,009	102%
Debt interest	77,471	72,159	93%
Depreciation	993,002	825,257	83%
Other	566,626	541,755	96%
	4,742,100	4,004,356	84%
Revenue - expense	2,041,658	2,299,122	

Beginning cash: \$4.3M

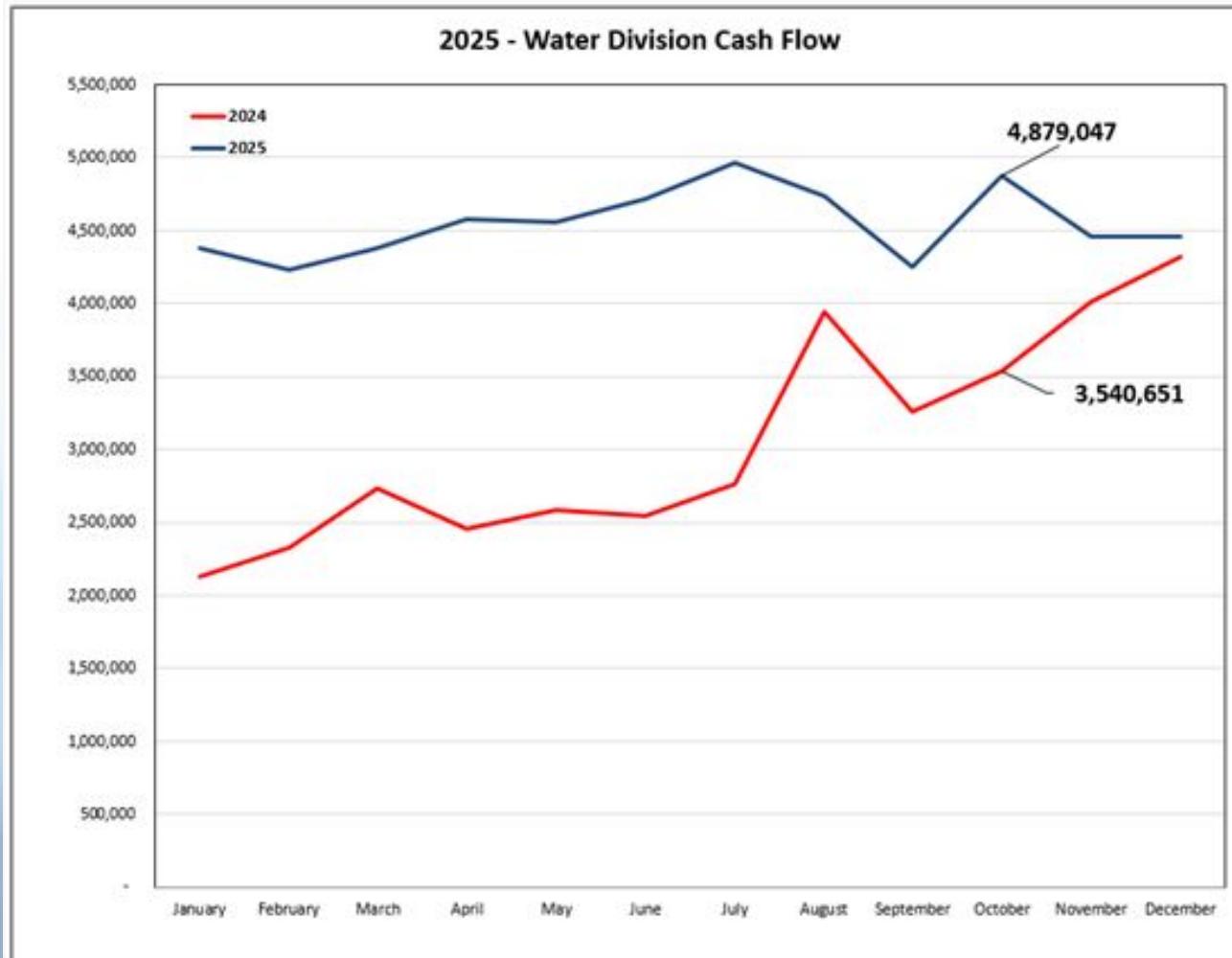
Revenue

- \$734K Operating
- \$238K PFAS lawsuit

Expenses

- \$279K O&M
- \$71K CIP

Ending cash: \$4.9M



October, 2025 Sewer income statement summary

- Revenue was **\$6.3M** which is **6% over budget** and approximately **\$899K above** the same period last year.
- Expenses were **\$4.2M** which is **6% under budget** and approximately **\$56K below** the same period last year.

Sewer Revenue

	Budget	Actual YTD	% Used
Flat rate	37,031	25,200	68%
Metered	5,719,943	4,906,858	86%
Trunkline	945,000	710,330	75%
Investment income	5,000	45,129	903%
Other Income/Grants	365,692	641,097	175%
Sum:	7,072,666	6,328,615	89%

Sewer Expenses

	Budget	Actual YTD	% Used
Labor and fringe	1,816,519	1,293,904	71%
Power	415,804	320,481	77%
Supplies	322,803	275,248	85%
Debt interest	265,016	212,895	80%
Depreciation	1,533,662	1,217,368	79%
Other	1,055,595	869,668	82%
	5,409,398	4,189,564	77%
Revenue - expense	1,663,268	2,139,051	

Beginning cash: \$321K

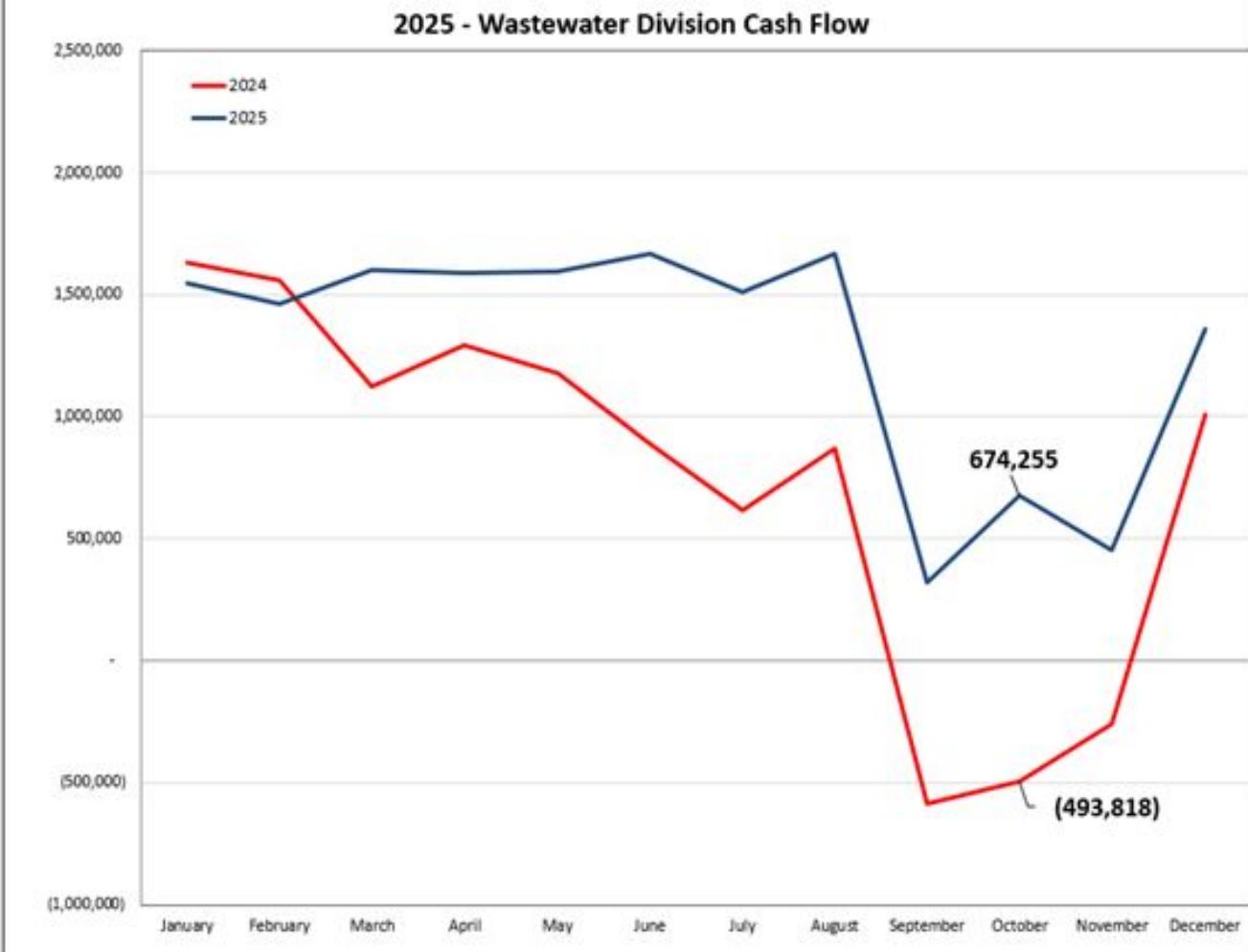
Revenue

- \$713K Operating

Expenses

- \$272K O&M
- \$91K CIP

Ending cash: \$674K



October, 2025 Stormwater income statement summary

- Revenue was **\$3.7M** which is **7% over budget** and approximately **\$79K above** the same period last year.
- Expenses were **\$2.4M** which is **10% under budget** and approximately **\$254K above** the same period last year.

Storm Revenue

	Budget	Actual YTD	% Used
Stormwater	4,062,397	3,436,624	85%
Investment income	5,000	45,129	903%
Other Income/Grants	-	185,301	0%
Sum:	4,067,397	3,667,055	90%

Storm Expenses

	Budget	Actual YTD	% Used
Labor and fringe	1,411,326	936,440	66%
Power	176,400	138,965	79%
Supplies	259,573	186,262	72%
Debt interest	96,974	54,326	56%
Depreciation	931,552	752,327	81%
Other	417,343	340,482	82%
	3,293,167	2,408,803	73%
Revenue - expense	774,230	1,258,252	

Beginning cash: \$3.1M

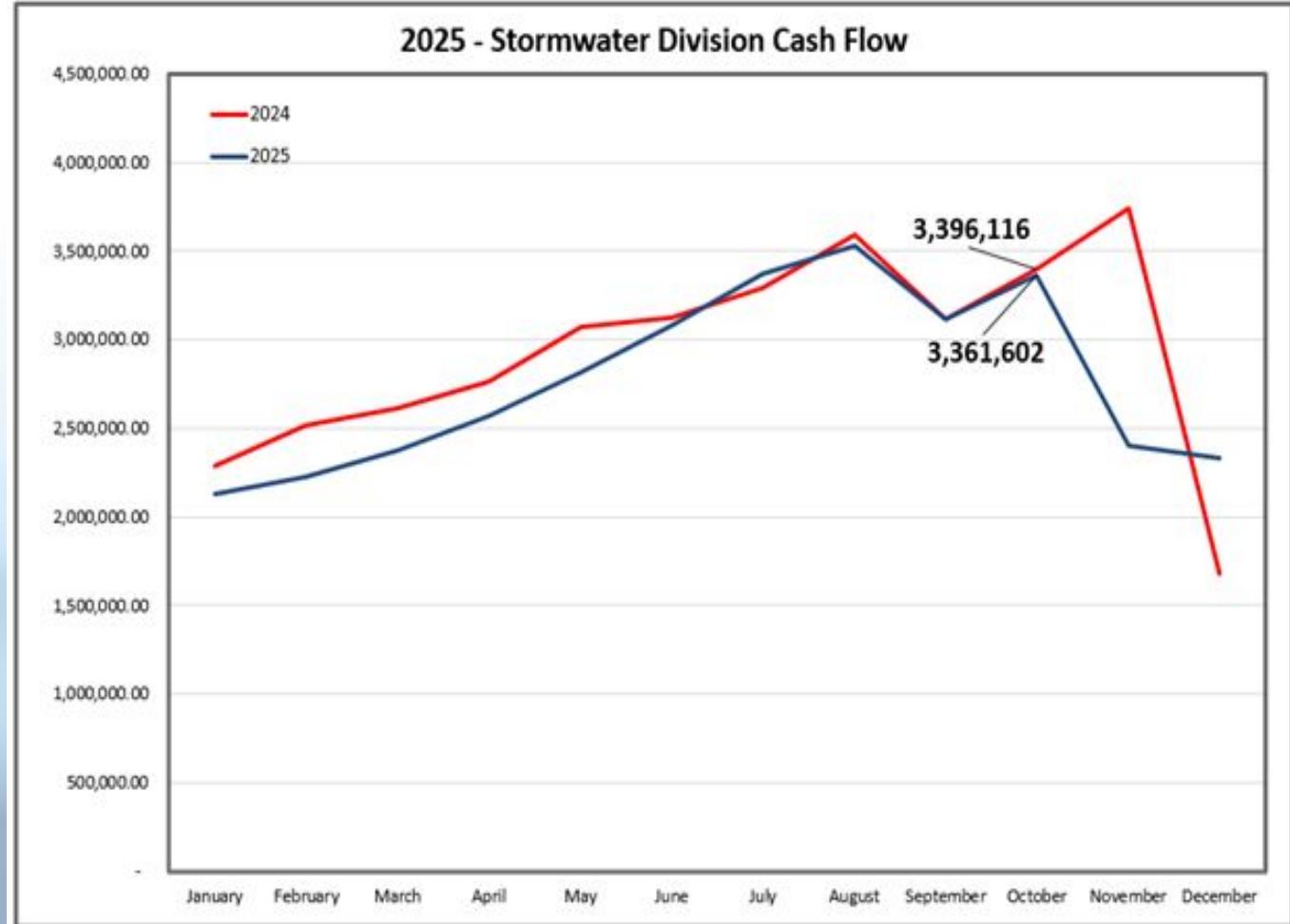
Revenue

- \$427K Operating

Expenses

- \$186K O&M

Ending cash: \$3.4M



Review liens

- No liens this month

Communications Update

Working on ...

- Fall Newsletter
- September Insert
- Emergency Response Plan

New business - HR Update with Alan Burton

Calendar

Monday, December 22, 2025	Regular meeting	22 Arsenal
Thursday, December 25, 2025	Christmas Day	Holiday
Thursday, January 1, 2026	New Year's Day	Holiday
Monday, January 19, 2026	Martin Luther King Jr. Day	Holiday
Monday, January 26, 2026	Regular meeting	22 Arsenal
Monday, February 16, 2026	Presidents' Day	Holiday
Monday, February 23, 2026	Regular meeting	22 Arsenal
Monday, March 23, 2026	Regular meeting	22 Arsenal

Public Comment

Email contact@gaud.ws

Review any public comment received during the meeting.

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NEXT MEETING

Monday, August 19, 2024, 6:00 PM Regular Meeting

GAUD 1926 Garage, 15 Arsenal Street, Augusta, Maine

- Agenda and informational content

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Adjourn - Motion

Motion: I move that this body stand adjourned.

Happy Thanksgiving!

