
Lower Cape Fear Water & Sewer Authority

Finance Committee Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2026

Chairman Phillips called to order the Finance Committee Meeting on May 11, 2026, at 8:30 a.m. The meeting was held at the Authority's office located at 1107 New Pointe Boulevard, Suite 17, Leland, North Carolina.

Present: Damien Buchanan, Chakema Clinton-Quintana, Patrick DeVane, Harry Knight, Al Leonard, and Scott Phillips

Absent: None

Present by Virtual Attendance: None

Staff: Tim H. Holloman, Executive Director; Matthew Nichols, General Counsel; Sam Boswell, COG; and Danielle Hertzog, Financial Administration Assistant

Guests Present: Jorgen Holmberg, Computer Warriors; Director Wayne Edge, Director Chris Smith, Director Bill Sue, Director Frank Williams, Director Phil Tripp, David Carson, Brunswick County Kings Bluff Water Resource Supervisor; Chris Giesting, Brunswick County Water Resources Manager; and Kevin Morris, Cape Fear Public Utility Authority Deputy Director

Guests Virtual Attendance: None

PowerPoint for Annual Budget Fiscal Year 2026-2027

Executive Director Holloman reviewed essential cost items for the FY 2026-2027 draft budget. Our customers' water usage is projected at 11,196,923 gallons, with a proposed rate of \$0.52 per 1,000 gallons, resulting in an estimated \$5.8 million in revenue. Health insurance will increase by 18%. The property and liability insurance expenses will increase by 8%. State retirement will increase from 14.85% to 15.10%. LCFWASA will purchase a fourth pump through Pay-Go. We will pay for the Air Backwash and Walkway cost of \$4,200,000 through either state appropriation, finance, or partner contribution. Governmental partners rates will increase to 0.52 per 1,000 gallons from the current 0.48, and industrial customers will increase to 0.74 per 1,000 gallons from the current 0.70, as recommended by the rate forecast for the Master Plan. The FY 2026-2027 budget has a 23% decrease over the FY2025-2026 budget, primarily due to the Parallel Line Project nearing completion.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Chairman Phillips adjourned the meeting at 8:50 a.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Tim Holloman, Executive Director

The next Finance Committee Meeting of the Lower Cape Fear Water & Sewer Authority is scheduled for Monday, March 8, 2027, at 8:30 a.m. in the Authority's office located at 1107 New Pointe Boulevard, Suite 17, Leland, North Carolina.