

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Clark at 2:00 pm

1.1 Flag Salute

Manager Boucher led the flag salute.

1.2 Roll Call

Present were President Clark, Vice President Wristen and Director Koch. Also present were Attorney McClure, Office Manager Padilla, Engineer Heindell and Manager Boucher. Director Taggart was present as an audience member via phone in listening mode.

2. PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on December 16, 2025

3.2 Financial Statements – Delayed due to Fiscal Year End

3.3 Water Warrants – Check Number 22380-22439 Total \$425,608.02

Water LAIF Deposit - \$5,399.94

Water LAIF Withdrawal - \$26,000.00

Sewer Warrants – Check Number 7719-7727 Total \$317,424.41

Sewer LAIF Deposit - \$17,600.06

Health Reimb Account – Check Number 3075-3085 Total \$3,754.93

3.4 Superintendent’s Monthly Report of Maintenance and Operations and Solar Power Generation for December 2025

It was moved by Director Wristen seconded by Director Koch to approve Consent Agenda Items 3.1 - 3.4. Motion carried.

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

5.1 Action to Fill Vacancy on Board Resulting from Resignation of Director Trevor Hatley

Manager Boucher mentioned that with approval from the Board, the letter addressing the vacancy for Division 2 will be mailed to Keaton Denlay as well as posting the Notice of Vacancy in three locations within the District. Manager Boucher stated that if the Board does not appoint someone within 60-days from

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notice, the County will step in and appoint someone for the position. It was also mentioned that Art Hatley who resides in Division 2, would be interested in filling the position until the next general election. Consensus of the Board is to move forward with sending the vacancy letter as well as posting the notice in three locations within the District.

5.2 Resource Public Affairs Funding Proposal

Engineer Heindell mentioned that as part of Anchor QEA's contract for the sediment removal project, the District allocated dollars to look for funding opportunities for the greater sediment project as a whole. In discussions with Anchor QEA, they mentioned that they had worked with lobbyist groups in the past that moved forward projects in seeking funding from the state legislature. The District was put in contact with David Richey and Alex Torres who are part of a group called Resource Public Affairs. Resource Public Affairs has submitted a proposal for a monthly fee of \$12,500 that essentially retains them as your lobbyist. Expenses such as travel costs would be billed directly and will not exceed 10 percent of the contract term. He mentioned that both he and Manager Boucher have met with the Admin Committee and it was determined to engage with Resource Public Affairs for 30 days. He mentioned that the contract can be canceled at any time by either party.

He mentioned that both he and Manager Boucher met with the legislative team of Senator Dahle and Assemblyman Gallagher to discuss the project. Mr. Torres put together a strategy that was then provided to the legislative directors on January 12th of what the District is asking for, and where that money could come from based upon the statutory funding within Prop 4. They are very confident that the project fits perfectly within a multitude of categories within the Prop 4 funding. Motion made by Director Koch, seconded by Director Clark and unanimously carried accept the Agreement from Resource Public Affairs LLC and to retain the contract price through the State's budget approval at the end of June.

6. WATER BUSINESS

None

7. ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney McClure mentioned that he has been working with Engineer Heindell on the water right reporting. The transition is to a new water right reporting. He mentioned that they are looking specifically at the question of reporting the District's water rights for power purposes.

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He mentioned that for the water rights reporting, we're going to continue to report the power water rights that is being used at the Oroville Power Plant. There's also not really much risk in reporting zero because we're not really at risk of a forfeiture of that water right in any event because that water is all redelivered back to Thermalito for consumptive uses.

He mentioned that because we are still going to be in negotiations with our agreement with DWR, it would behoove us to keep that verbiage within the next agreement as well. The agreement doesn't say specifically Thermalito shall report the water rights for power generated at its highest, but it doesn't say DWR should do it either.

8. SEWER BUSINESS

8.1 SC-OR Report

Commissioner Clark reviewed over the December 17, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Sewerage Commission – Oroville Region.

- Contract for \$139,500 for the pipeline assessment on the Highway 162 bridge was approved.
- The Salinity Study was approved for \$75,500.
- Special Board meeting held on January 8th for the Ruddy Creek Pump Station. Contract was awarded to Lorang Brothers Construction for \$3,070,995.
- Contract Management was awarded to Jacobs Engineering for \$600,000 for a task order for the SCANDA integration and program.

8.2 Standing Committee – SC-OR Commissioners – Policy 4.150

Director Taggart mentioned that due to his health condition, he does not feel that he would be able to fulfill his duties down at SC-OR. Director Koch mentioned that in July, Director Wristen would go on the SC-OR Board and Director Clark would come off. He stated that for now, he should represent TWSD on the SC-OR Board for the remainder of Director Hatley's term. Motion made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Wristen and unanimously carried to have Director Koch fill in the remaining time on the SC-OR Board and to reassess in June 2026.

9. WYANDOTTE CREEK GSA

9.1 Wyandotte Creek GSA

Director Wristen reviewed over the November 20, 2025, Regular Meeting and December 18, 2025, Special Meeting of the Wyandotte Creek GSA.

- The Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between Wyandotte Creek Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA) and Butte County Public Works was approved. The MOU is to facilitate the removal of debris and vegetation from stormwater drainage ditches that are associated with monitoring and reporting. If there was additional work necessary for doing the stream gauge

monitoring, it would be coordinated with Butte County Public Works. If there were costs associated with that outside of their normal work, that cost could be shared.

- Received a report on the upcoming schedule for the Board and Advisory Committee for the GSA. They posted a year-long schedule which was approved.

10. MANAGER REPORT

Winter Party: Staff would like to say thank you for a wonderful time at the Winter party. Food was great and everyone enjoyed themselves.

Smoke Testing: TWSD Utility Crew smoke tested the entire distribution system from December 8th through December 17th. The smoke testing is performed to locate water infiltration or any problems such as broken pipes, manholes that need to be resealed or have broken grade rings. It also locates loose covers, missing clean out caps and plugs. The crew located fourteen manholes that needed to be repaired. They repaired other problems involving missing caps, plugs and broken cleanouts. Six illegal connections were found that the crew also dealt with by contacting the customers.

Slipline Project: On January 7th, the District contracted with Hall's Plumbing to slipline eight Sewer I&I issues at Linkside. Total cost \$49,371.00. Project was completed in one day.

Table Mountain Pipeline Replacement Project: Duke Sherwood Contracting started the Table Mountain pipeline replacement project on January 8th. The project is on schedule and as of January 13th, they have installed approximately 440' of pipe.

Golden Feather Wastewater Consolidation Project Update: Engineer Heindell reported that work that had been approved from CPN and then to be backstopped by SC-OR will be starting next Monday. All of the paperwork has been submitted to the State. Hopefully by March or April we should have a consensus on whether the State is going to reimburse us or if we will have to bill SC-OR.

11. HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

12. BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS

Director Taggart is recuperating well from his procedures.

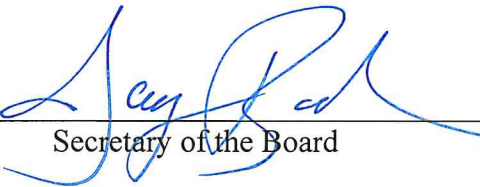
Director Wristen thanked everyone for their condolences.

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13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:51 pm.



Secretary of the Board



President of the Board