

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

Thermalito Water and Sewer District
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August 20, 2024 – 2:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

1.1 Flag Salute

Director Clark led the flag salute.

1.2 Roll Call

Present were President Koch, Directors Wristen, Taggart and Clark. Also present were Office Manager Padilla, Attorney McClure, Engineer Heindell and Manager Boucher. Vice President Hatley was absent.

2. PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on July 16, 2024

3.2 June and July Financial Statements – Delayed

3.3 Water Warrants – Check Number 21347-21427 Total \$556,053.26

Water LAIF Deposit - \$13,982.14

Water LAIF Withdrawal - \$8,200.00

Sewer Warrants – Check Number 7614-7621 Total \$377,012.42

Sewer LAIF Deposit - \$19,017.86

Sewer LAIF Withdrawal - \$8,200.00

Health Reimb Account – Check Number 3019-3020 Total \$465.42

Secretary Revolving Account – Check Number 2673 - \$100.00

3.4 Superintendent's Monthly Report of Maintenance and Operations and Solar Power Generation for July 2024

It was moved by Director Clark, seconded by Director Taggart to approve the Consent Agenda. Motion carried.

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

5.1 2024 Grand Jury Report: Multiplicity of Sewer District in the Oroville Area

Manager Boucher mentioned that in March 2024, the Butte County Grand Jury received a complaint from a citizen regarding the overlap or duplication of wastewater services to the Oroville area. It was mentioned that the duplication of services was inefficient and not cost-effective. Engineer Heindell sent a letter to Butte LAFCO in response to the Grand Jury's findings and suggested that if the

Board of Supervisors or LAFCO wish to continue the investigation into sewer service consolidation, it be coordinated with the applicable agencies. The Board of Supervisor Response to the Butte County Grand Jury Report was that “the Board of Supervisors can initiate discussions about consolidating these services, but cannot impose consolidation of other governmental agencies since they all have separately elected officers than the BOS. The County will work with the City of Oroville, SCOR, TWSD, LOAPUD and LAFCO to determine the best possible outcome.”

6. WATER BUSINESS

6.1 Plumas Avenue School TUESD Project Letter

Engineer Heindell presented a letter from the Thermalito Unified Elementary School District requesting a cost share of upsizing and relocation of TWSD’s 4th Street water main. A quote to perform the work has been received from All-American Construction in the amount of \$220,800.00. TWSD costs incurred would be \$110,400.00. Motion made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Taggart and unanimously carried to approve cost sharing project with the Thermalito Unified Elementary School District in an amount not to exceed \$110,400.00 and for Legal Counsel to work with staff on drafting an Memorandum of Understanding to be signed by both parties.

6.2 Concow RFP Invitation to Bid

Engineer Heindell mentioned that an invitation to bid was sent out to two Consultants to develop a Request for Proposal for the Concow Reservoir Sediment Removal Project. Kjeldsen, Sinnock & Neudeck submitted a proposal for \$13,376.00 and Anchor QEA for \$5,000.00. Engineer Heindell mentioned that both proposals were written very well but he prefers the approach of Anchor QEA as they listed four projects which is similar to the Districts situation. Motion made by Director Koch, seconded by Director Taggart and unanimously carried to accept the Anchor QEA proposal to create an RFP in an amount not to exceed \$5,000.00.

6.3 Nelson & 4th Street Paving

Engineer Heindell reviewed a proposal by Knife River to pave the remaining portion of the intersection at Nelson & 4th Street. When the District completed its pipeline replacement project, prior to the City’s paving, it was based upon project limits provided by the City. Sometime between when the District completed its project and the City’s contractor completed the work, the paving limits had changed. This resulted in a portion of the Districts trenches not being paved over. The proposal from the City is to share the cost of the additional pavement. Motion made by Director Taggart, seconded by Director Clark and

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unanimously carried to approve the Nelson & 4th Street additional Grind/Pave cost share in an amount not to exceed \$16,008.00.

7. ATTORNEY REPORT

None

8. SEWER BUSINESS

8.1 SC-OR Report

Commissioner Clark reviewed over the July 23, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Sewerage Commission – Oroville Region.

- Approval was given to pay CalPERS in the amount of \$229,290 for the 2024/2025 Unfunded Accrued Liability.
- Contracting for painting of the main building approved for a total cost not to exceed \$15,000.00.

9. WYANDOTTE CREEK GSA

9.1 Wyandotte Creek GSA Report

None

10. MANAGER REPORT

Heating & Air Conditioning Unit: KB Heating & Air installed the new unit over the August 10th weekend. Air conditioner seems to be working great. Capital Item was budgeted for \$16,500.00; District was charged \$16,400.00.

Madalyn Nielsen: Madalyn welcomed a healthy baby girl into this world on August 4th. Mother and baby are doing well.

Vessels: SC-OR had ERS Contracting remove the Vessels last week.

Solar Panels at the Treatment Plant: Manager Boucher mentioned that the True-up cost for the District will be roughly \$122,000.00 for the year. Staff will be monitoring the solar to see if more panels will be needed to run more efficiently and to offset the cost.

11. HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

12. BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS

Happy Anniversary to Direct Taggart.

Congratulations to Directors Hatley, Taggart and Wristen. All three Directors were elected unopposed.

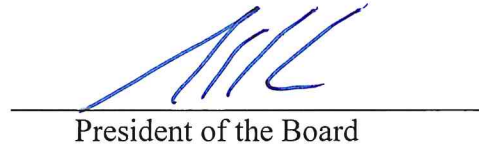
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13. **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:01 pm.


Secretary of the Board


President of the Board