

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

Thermalito Water and Sewer District
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March 18, 2025 – 2:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

1.1 Flag Salute

Manager Boucher led the flag salute.

1.2 Roll Call

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

2. PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 18, 2025

3.2 Financial Statements – February 2025

3.3 Water Warrants – Check Number 21786-21842 Total \$385,168.08
Water LAIF Deposit - \$5,425.70

Sewer Warrants – Check Number 7662-7666 Total \$63,115.68

Sewer LAIF Deposit - \$22,574.30

Health Reimb Account – Check Number 3039-3043 Total \$563.77

3.4 Superintendent's Monthly Report of Maintenance and Operations and Solar Power Generation for February 2025

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

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

None

6. WATER BUSINESS

6.1 Concow Dam 67-0 Inundation Map Update

Engineer Heindell stated that he was contacted by the Division of Safety of Dams to provide an updated Inundation Map for Concow Reservoir. He mentioned that when he first came to the District he worked with CSU Sacramento in completing the emergency action plan and inundation map but has since found that CSU Sacramento is now the reviewers for DSOD and that it would be a conflict of

interest. He submitted before the Board a proposal from Domenichelli and Associates, Inc. to provide Inundation Mapping Services for Concow Reservoir in an amount of \$38,090.00. He mentioned that he has sent out several Request for Proposals and is waiting to hear back. He stated that funds would be drawn from the PG&E settlement that was received. Motion made by Director Hatley, seconded by Director Koch and unanimously carried to approve Engineer Heindell moving forward on choosing the lowest responsible bid for updating the Concow Inundation Map for Concow Reservoir in an amount not to exceed \$40,000. This item will be brought back to the April Board meeting.

6.2. Draft Lake Concow Recreation Feasibility Report

Manager Boucher reported that the District partnered with Paradise Recreation District on taking on the responsibility of recreation at Lake Concow. Paradise Recreation wants to engage in another agreement with TWSD. He mentioned that one of his concerns is that in looking at the Paradise Lake Comparison for the operational cost, Paradise Lake shows a net deficit of \$70,744. He mentioned that he would like to set up a meeting with the Paradise Recreation District Manager to do a brief walkthrough and get a feel on how he sees this moving forward and what kind of financial obligation it will be for TWSD. Manager Boucher mentioned that this item will be brought back to the Board after a meeting with the Paradise Recreation Manager.

7. ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney McClure reported that TWSD did not engage with Barron and Budd to submit the PFAS settlement – 3M litigation claims on the District’s behalf. He mentioned that he and Engineer Heindell were able to successfully file the claims, and they are currently under review. He mentioned that he does not know how much the District is entitled to.

Attorney McClure reported that he recently had a discussion with DWR’s Council regarding the DWR Long Term Contract. The proposal that was made was that it is only for a five-year term. DWR sees the five-year term as a stopgap to allow the parties to negotiate a long-term agreement together with a period to do any environmental review on a term agreement. He mentioned that they are concerned that a long-term agreement, whether it has changes or not, would be subject to some environmental review which will take time. He mentioned that his recommendation is that we accept the five-year extension and to direct staff and legal counsel to begin negotiating the long-term agreement.

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8. SEWER BUSINESS

8.1 SC-OR Report

Commissioner Clark reviewed over the February 25, 2025, Regular Meeting of the Sewerage Commission – Oroville Region.

9. WYANDOTTE CREEK GSA

9.1 Wyandotte Creek GSA – TWSD Grant Subrecipient Agreement

Engineer Heindell presented to the Board the Subrecipient Agreement Between the Wyandotte Creek Groundwater Sustainability Agency and Thermalito Water and Sewer District. He reminded the Board that this is for the funding of the grant project that was approved for the Water Treatment Plant Capacity for \$1,554,552.00.

10. MANAGER REPORT

Credit Card Providers and Caselle Cash Receipting: Office Manager Padilla reported that TWSD has been with PSN since August 2015. The credit card machine that is being used is no longer reliable. She mentioned that a new credit card machine is available at a cost of \$485.00. Caselle provides a software program that is capable of handling credit cards and e-checks in real time. It also provides other features that would be helpful to the front office that PSN cannot offer. Consensus of the Board is to allow Office Manager Padilla to move forward with reviewing the Caselle Software Program.

Plumas Ave School Water Main Relocation Project: Engineer Heindell reported that the District partnered with Plumas Avenue School to relocate and upsize the water main on 4th Street. Due to the fact that the Contractor did not have the right parts, it ended up being about a 36-hour ordeal. The work is now completed.

Director Wristen mentioned that the manager of the storage unit thanked the District for the bottled water.

11. HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

12. BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS

Thank you to Office Manager Padilla for helping with the interviews at SC-OR.
Happy Birthday to Director Koch – March 3

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13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:49 pm.


Secretary of the Board


Vice President of the Board