

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

Thermalito Water and Sewer District
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April 21, 2026 – 2:00 pm

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

1.1 Flag Salute

President Clark led the flag salute.

1.2 Roll Call

Present were President Clark, Vice President Wristen, Director Koch and Director Hatley. 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 March 17, 2026

3.2 Financial Statements – March 2026

3.3 Water Warrants – Check Number 22550-22618 Total \$767,668.40

Water LAIF Deposit - \$16,953.45

Water LAIF Withdrawal - \$213,000.00

Sewer Warrants – Check Number 7738-7742 Total \$284,129.85

Sewer LAIF Deposit - \$112,046.55

Health Reimb Account – Check Number 3092-3094 Total \$244.18

3.4 Superintendent's Monthly Report of Maintenance and Operations and Solar Power Generation for March 2026

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

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

5.1 MQ Water Trailer

Manager Boucher mentioned that the MQ Water Trailer was approved for the FY25/26 Water and Sewer Capital Expenditure in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.00. He mentioned that since the original quote had expired, a new quote was provided in an amount of \$10,698.91, an increase of \$698.91 over the original quote. Staff is requesting for Board approval to move forward on purchasing the MQ Water Trailer in the amount of \$10,698.91. Motion made by Director Clark,

seconded by Director Koch and unanimously carried to approve the purchase of the MQ Water Trailer in amount not to exceed \$10,698.91.

6. WATER BUSINESS

6.1 2025 Consumer Confidence Report

Engineer Heindell mentioned that a copy of the annual CCR that is submitted to the State is included in the Board packet. He mentioned that all of the wells and treatment plant were sampled for PFAS and that the levels that were detected in the sampling are included in the report. He asked if there were any questions from the Board. There were no questions. Motion made by Director Koch, seconded by Director Hatley and unanimously carried to approve the 2025 TWSD Consumer Confidence Report.

6.2 Table Mountain Pipeline Replacement Project

Engineer Heindell reported that the amount approved for the FY25/26 Pipeline Replacement Project is \$470,000.00. Total cost came to \$343,040.36. He mentioned that it was decided to use the additional remaining funds to replace an additional 90 feet of 14-inch steel line connecting the new 18" C900 main with the existing 30 inch cross. An estimate in the amount of \$77,722.70 was received from Sherwood Contracting covering time and materials. Once the project started, it was found that the Districts as-builts were incorrect which incurred additional time and material to complete the project. Total cost for time and material came to \$169,335.29. Total Pipeline Replacement Project cost came to \$512,375.65, taking us over budget by \$42,375.65. Staff is requesting approval of \$124,104.83 to be transferred from the LAIF Source Development Account and \$43,895.17 from the LAIF Reserve Account to cover the overage cost of the project. Motion made by Director Clark, seconded by Director Koch and unanimously carried to cover final expenses in the amount of \$168,000.00 for the Table Mountain Pipeline Replacement Project, transferring \$124,104.83 from the LAIF Source Development Account and \$43,895.17 from the LAIF Reserve Account to the Water Warrant Account.

6.3 Concow Sediment Removal Disposal Site

Engineer Heindell reported that they are working on how much sediment needs to be removed and where to have it hauled off too. He mentioned that having a trucking company haul away the sediment will run about \$17 million. He mentioned that there are two options. They first checked with the Lucky 7 Ranch but after speaking with the County, they found that there are permitting issues. Director Wristen mentioned that he has some very strong apprehensions about dealing with the Lucky 7 Ranch.

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Secondly, there is a 275-acre parcel directly across the street from where Hoffman Road turns off of Concow Road. It would be adjacent to the staging area that the District is going to use. He has been in touch with the property owner, and the property owner is interested in selling or leasing the property for the purposes of this project. He mentioned that the 275-acre parcel is where the fire came through and burned everything and that when they did the logging up there, they used this property for chipping and basically a big log deck area. Consensus of the Board is to have Engineer Heindell and Manager Boucher move forward in discussions with the property owner regarding selling or leasing the property for the disposal site.

7. ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney McClure gave a report on the voluntary agreement process.

8. SEWER BUSINESS

8.1 SC-OR Report

Commissioner Clark reviewed over the March 24, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Sewerage Commission – Oroville Region.

- Reminder that all board members must complete their ethics training.
- Discussion regarding the draft budget.

9. WYANDOTTE CREEK GSA

9.1 Wyandotte Creek GSA

Director Wristen reviewed over the March 19, 2026, Regular Meeting of the Wyandotte Creek GSA.

- Presentation on the Regional Conjunctive Use Project Recap – Update on what they have been doing specifically in the Palermo area. Pictures displayed flooded roads and ditches. Summarized the key findings and list of things that might possibly suggest being done to help stop the flooding problem in Palermo and to be able to use the surface water as a recharge product.
- Data Gap Monitoring Well Installation Project - Insulation of new groundwater wells. Project supports ongoing groundwater level monitoring and improved understanding of surface water.
- Fee Study – Presented with the draft fee study. Annual fees are going to be broken down into two parts. Part one is a basic charge for every parcel that is within the Wyandotte Creek area. Charge will be \$20.50 per parcel unless it is exempt or unusable. Part two fee is broken down into three groups.
 - Group One – South Feather Water and the Feather River Direct Diversion Ag. such as ranches and farmers that pull directly out of the Feather River for their water for irrigation – charged \$13.26 per

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cropped or managed acre. All other agricultural users in group one will be charged \$15.58 per cropped or managed acre.

- Group Two – South Feather water users – charged \$20.50 per parcel.
- Group Three – Cal Water and Thermalito users will be charged \$0.94 per parcel extra above and beyond the \$20.50. All other domestic users inside of our area of influence will be charged \$3.76 per parcel. All grazing and vacant land will be charged \$20.50 per parcel.

10. MANAGER REPORT

Director Taggart: Manager Boucher reported that he visited with Director Taggart and that he is doing well.

Pipeline Projects for FY26/27: Manager Boucher mentioned that there is roughly 3.7 miles of steel pipe in the District that needs to be replaced in the near future. He mentioned that the District would need to go out for a loan in order to replace the pipe. Staff is seeking direction from the Board to replace the 3.7 miles of steel pipe and to check with Bartle Wells for roughly a \$25M loan. Consensus of the Board is to have Manager Boucher move forward in replacing the 3.7 miles of steel pipe.

SCOR Force Main Investigation Work (Golden Feather): Engineer Heindell mentioned that they are finally going to go into the bridge and do the investigation work on the force main. He mentioned that there are two different technologies that they will be using. One is the electromagnetic bracelet probe which is a physical inspection of the force main within the bridge. The second is a pipers which is an orb instrument that they're going to flow two of them through the force main, and it reads and maps the inside. He mentioned that the pipers work will take place on Thursday, April 30th and Friday, May 1st and the bridge work will take place on the nights of May 4th, 5th and 6th.

11. HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

12. BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS

None

13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:08 pm.


Secretary of the Board


President of the Board