Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

Thermalito Water and Sewer District Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting November 19, 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

Engineer Heindell led the flag salute.

1.2 Roll Call

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

2. PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

- 3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on October 22, 2024
- **3.2** Financial Statements October 2024
- 3.3 Water Warrants Check Number 21541-21610 Total \$415,893.51

Water LAIF Deposit - \$323,334.27

Water LAIF Withdrawal - \$22,000.00

Sewer Warrants - Check Number 7638-7642 Total \$28,967.65

Sewer LAIF Deposit - \$17,665.73

Health Reimb Account - Check Number 3027-3031 Total \$1,577.60

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

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

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

5.1 Financial Statement – Auditor's Report for FYE 6/30/24

Manager Boucher mentioned that included in the Board packet is a copy of the Financial Statement for FYE 6/30/24. He asked if there were any questions from the Board regarding the Financial Statement. The Board responded with no questions at this time. Motion made by Director Hatley, seconded by Director Clark and unanimously carried to approve the Financial Statement – Auditor's Report for FYE 6/30/24.

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5.2 Resolution 05-24 "Authorizing the Adoption of the Butte County 2024 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan

Engineer Heindell reported that this is the four-year update to the Butte County Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. He mentioned that the District has reviewed the local Hazard Mitigation Plan and Disaster Assessments and has provided it to the County. Motion made by Director Hatley; seconded by Director Taggart and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution 05-24 – Authorizing the Adoption of the Butte County 2024 Local Hazard Mitigation Plan. Roll Call was taken.

6. WATER BUSINESS

None

7. ATTORNEY REPORT

General Counsel McClure reported that the State Water Board staff issued the program of implementation. They are doing what is called an alternative environmental document. It is a draft document of how the project is going to work. He mentioned that there was talk about the refill criteria that would apply to water made available pursuant to this program and that all water agencies in California that would make water available would be affected. There are some workshops happening at the end of the month that's probably going to be one of the items up for discussion.

8. SEWER BUSINESS

8.1 SC-OR Report

Commissioner Clark reviewed over the October 22, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Sewerage Commission – Oroville Region.

9. WYANDOTTE CREEK GSA

9.1 Wyandotte Creek GSA Report

Engineer Heindell reported that there was an Advisory Committee meeting for the Wyandotte Creek GSA. They reviewed over the implementation of the different programs within the GSA. He mentioned that they are starting to implement some of the Grant Funding to determine location for multi-well completions to monitor groundwater levels and water quality within Butte County.

He reminded the Board that the District originally was awarded \$2.37 million towards the water treatment plant expansion but because of the change in dates, the District will only be eligible for \$1.55 million.

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He mentioned that there is about \$800,000 left over in that grant that cannot be applied to the treatment plant project. The Management Committee and staff has been in contact with DWR on what to do with that money as DWR does not want the money back. He mentioned that the money cannot be applied to the treatment plant project but can be disbursed into the other approved and allocated grant funded projects. Consensus of the Board is to reallocate the funds into the other grant funded projects.

10. MANAGER REPORT

<u>LAFCo Cooperative Agreement Discussions</u>: Manager Boucher mentioned that a meeting was held regarding LAFCo's concerns with consolidation. Steve Lucas, Executive Officer for LAFCo was present at the meeting. Conversation between each member entity discussing some of the issues with the 2005 Cooperative Agreement. He mentioned that the entities are trying to get everyone back on the same page when dealing with new construction and development.

PG&E Settlement Funds: The District received funds from Baron & Budd in the amount of \$317,908.57. Funds will be transferred into the LAIF Account - Concow Restoration Project.

<u>Customer Apology</u>: A customer located on Table Mtn Blvd has apologized to our crew members as she mistakenly thought that they were from PG&E. The customer has been waiting on PG&E for months and when our guys showed up to do a USA, she came out of her house and used a few choice words. She contacted the District and left a phone message saying that she apologizes for the situation and that our guys handled the situation in a very professional manner.

Concow Sediment Removal RFP: Engineer Heindell reported that he has received a draft Request for Proposal from Anchor QEA for the Sediment Removal Project. He mentioned that they are making changes to the document and hopes to have a copy for review at the December Board meeting.

11. HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS None

12. BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS

The Board wished everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving. Happy Birthday to Director Clark.

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13. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:30 pm.

Secretary of the Board

President of the Board