

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting

Thermalito Water and Sewer District
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September 17, 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

Attorney McClure led the flag salute.

1.2 Roll Call

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

2. PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on August 20, 2024

3.2 Financial Statements – June, July and August

3.3 Water Warrants – Check Number 21428-21485 Total \$523,694.58
Water LAIF Deposit - \$5,766.23

Sewer Warrants – Check Number 7622-7628 Total \$66,119.78
Sewer LAIF Deposit - \$17,233.77

Health Reimb Account – Check Number 3021-3024 Total \$944.97

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

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

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

5.1 Review and Adoption of Policy 4.140 – Code of Ethics

Manager Boucher informed the Board that Policy 4.140 – Code of Ethics is required to be reviewed biennially. He mentioned that there are no amendments to the policy. Motion made by Director Hatley; seconded by Director Taggart and unanimously carried to approve Policy 4.140 – Code of Ethics.

5.2 W. Gilbert Engineering Drafting Addendum

Engineer Heindell presented a proposed addendum in the amount of \$10,000 from W. Gilbert Engineering to complete the drafting work. This includes importing lidar imagery and verification of utility locations. He mentioned that the initial contract was for \$7,500 which was to prepare CAD files showing the location of the existing water and sewer facilities. Motion made by Director Koch, seconded by Director Hatley and unanimously carried to approve the Proposed Addendum from W. Gilbert Engineering in an amount not to exceed \$10,000.

5.3 AB 1234 & AB1825 Training

Manager Boucher reminded the Board that mandatory AB1234 and AB1825 Training must be completed before the end of the year. It was decided to schedule the training for Tuesday, November 19th at 9:30 am. The presentation will be given by Attorney McClure at the District office in the Boardroom.

6. WATER BUSINESS

None

7. ATTORNEY REPORT

General Counsel McClure reported on SGMA and sub-basins that have been designated probationary. He mentioned that Tulare Lake Subbasin filed a request for an injunction to prohibit enforcement of SGMA probationary requirements. The SGMA probationary requirement is \$300 per well/\$30 per acre foot and reporting extraction requirements to the State. Attorney McClure mentioned that the first Superior Court challenge of SGMA was successful in terms of an injunction, but still must go to what is called the merits proceeding.

8. SEWER BUSINESS

8.1 SC-OR Report

Commissioner Clark reviewed over the August 27, 2024, Regular Meeting of the Sewerage Commission – Oroville Region.

- Duke Sherwood was awarded the contract for the East Interceptor Replacement Project.
- Job description was changed from Office Manager to Office Supervisor.
- Reviewed over the LAFCO and Grand Jury report.
- Authorization was given close the Bank of America account and establish new accounts with Golden Valley Bank.
- SCOR will be enrolling in the Blue Shield Silver PPO Health Plan.

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9. WYANDOTTE CREEK GSA

9.1 Wyandotte Creek GSA Report

None

10. MANAGER REPORT

EPA SWDA Inspection: Engineer Heindell reported that on September 10th, the EPA along with two representatives from the State Water Resource Control Board showed up at the facilitate to perform a Safe Water Drinking Act Inspection. He mentioned that the inspection had three parts, Treatment Plant/Wells; Cyber Security Assessment and Review of our Emergency Response Risk and Resilience Assessment Plan. They inspected the treatment process, the intake well, clear well, distribution tank and our backwash ponds for potential contamination. They grouped their findings into two categories, recommendations and significant deficiencies. These items were shared with the SWRCB for their determination. Based upon the inspection, there was only one significant deficiency. Engineer Heindell explained that there is a protective screen over Well 4 which accesses the windings and the inner workings of the pump. They state that the screen needs to be raised so that the actual wellhead itself would have to come up 4 inches. Staff will be looking at fixing all of the recommended items.

Date Change for October Board Meeting: Manager Boucher is requesting to have the October Board meeting moved from October 15th to October 22nd as he will be on vacation during that time. Consensus of the Board is to move the October Board meeting to October 22nd, 2024.

11. HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

12. BOARD AND STAFF COMMENTS

Happy Anniversary to Director Clark.

At 2:34 pm the meeting recessed to go into Closed Session and reconvened at 3:03 pm.

13. CLOSED SESSION

President Koch reported that the Board heard from legal counsel and staff regarding one item and no action was taken.

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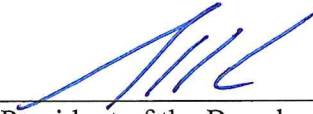
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14. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 3:03 pm.



Secretary of the Board



President of the Board