

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
WENATCHEE RECLAMATION DISTRICT
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2025
9:00 A.M.
DISTRICT OFFICE**

Present:	Lynn O. Smith	President
	Beau VanWinkle	Director
	Vince Stimac	Director
	Waylon Marshall	Manager
	Andy Sanders	Assistant Manager
	Mike Abhold	Foreman/Maintenance
	Chris Hysom	Attorney
	Tanel Ramin	Secretary

Moved by Stimac, seconded by VanWinkle, and carried that the minutes of the meeting of October 9, 2025 be approved as submitted.

The Monthly Financial Report for the month ending October 31, 2025, was submitted to the Board of Directors and thoroughly reviewed. Ramin noted that investment interest was unavailable before the board meeting and the presented financials reflect September's report.

Ramin noted the cash balance in account at Chelan County Treasurer. No further action was taken.

Marshall stated the District has not received the ground lease payment due to delayed invoicing. District sent the invoice November 4th. Payment is expected by the end of November.

Marshall proposed that the Equalization of 2025 Assessment Rolls be December 11, 2025 at 9:00 a.m.

Moved by Stimac, seconded by VanWinkle and carried that Thursday, December 11, 2025 at 9:00 a.m. be set as the Equalization Meeting, and that date shall be advertised in the Wenatchee World as required by R.C.W.87.03.250.

Marshall provided guidance from the Municipal Research and Services Center regarding Open Public Meetings Act training requirements and reminded the Board of the importance of maintaining compliance.

Marshall requested Board approval to pursue a crossing agreement with East Wenatchee Water District for the construction of a culvert on 5th Street NE, located in Township 22, Section 12, Range 20. Marshall noted that the project is expected to be completed by March 15, 2026.

Moved by Stimac, seconded by VanWinkle, and approved to pursue a crossing agreement with East Wenatchee Water District for the culvert construction on 5th Street NE.

A budget for 2026 was presented for approval.

Moved by Stimac, seconded by VanWinkle, and carried that the 2026 budget be approved as submitted.

Marshall presented the assessment rate options for the Board's consideration. The Board reviewed the proposed rates.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Stimac, seconded by VanWinkle, to approve the 2026 assessment rate in the amount of \$145.00. Motion carried.

Ramin reported that the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the first 9 months of 2025 indicates an overall average increase of 2.6%.

Discussion followed.

Moved by Stimac, seconded by VanWinkle that salaries for 2026 be increased by 2.5%, effective January 2026. The motion was carried.

Marshall requested Board approval to pursue an agreement with Cascade Natural Gas Company outlining responsibilities, procedures, and communication for ongoing utility operations following the relocation required by the Apple Capital Loop South End Bike/Ped Access Bridge project.

Moved by Stimac, seconded by VanWinkle, and approved to pursue an agreement with Cascade Natural Gas Company as outlined.

Sanders presented updated quotes for the vacuum trailer previously discussed at the October Board meeting and, at the Board's request, the Ditch Witch trailer was tested.

The following revised quotes were presented:

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>QUOTE</u>
➤ Ditch Witch	\$78,193.39
➤ Vermeer	\$85,774.64

Sanders provided an overview of the Ditch Witch trailer evaluation, highlighting differences in configuration and local maintenance support between the machines.

Discussion followed.

The Board determined that the Vermeer trailer best meets the needs of the District.

Moved by Stimac, seconded by VanWinkle, and approved to purchase the Vermeer vacuum trailer for the presented price of \$85,774.64.

15th Street Agreement with East Wenatchee Water District was signed.

Certification of Election signed.

Resolution 2025-10 Increasing the maximum balance of the Office Account to \$10,000 was signed.

Revolving Fund Checks Nos. 12790 through 12825 for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$71,698.54 were approved for payment.

Revolving Fund Checks for payroll and payroll benefits for October in the amount of \$126,574.32 were approved for payment.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, meeting adjourned at 10:01 p.m.



PRESIDENT

ATTEST:



SECRETARY

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