

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
WENATCHEE RECLAMATION DISTRICT  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 09, 2025  
9:00 A.M.  
DISTRICT OFFICE**

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

Moved by VanWinkle and carried that the minutes of the regular meeting of September 11, 2025, be approved as submitted.

The Monthly Financial Report for the month ending September 30, 2025, was submitted to the Board of Directors and thoroughly reviewed. Ramin informed the Board that the Chelan County Treasurer's Office is experiencing staffing challenges, resulting in a one-week delay in completing the revenue reporting.

Ramin will prepare and present the September revenue reports at the next Board meeting.

Ramin noted that the District transferred \$150,000 from Maintenance Investment Fund to the Maintenance Fund.

Ramin reported that only one Declaration of Candidacy and supporting petition had been filed for Director Position No. 1 by Beau VanWinkle. Pursuant to RCW 87.03.075, when only one candidate has filed for a director position, the Board shall declare that person elected, and no election shall be held.

Moved by Stimac and carried that the Board declare Beau VanWinkle elected to the position of Director No. 1 for a term of three years, commencing January 6, 2026, pursuant to RCW 87.03.075 and RCW 87.03.080.

Motion passed unanimously.

Ramin was directed to issue a Certificate of Election.

A preliminary budget for 2026 was presented to the Board for review and discussion. Proposed rate increases of 12% and 15% were introduced. Marshall reported that the cost of doing business continues to rise, necessitating the consideration of these adjustments.

VanWinkle requested that a preliminary budget be prepared reflecting an 8% rate increase. Ramin will prepare and present the revised budget at the next Board meeting.

Ramin presented the 2026 Medical/Dental insurance premiums which reflect an 8% – 10% increase depending on the plan.

Marshall reported that the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for the first six months of 2025 indicates an overall average increase of 2.2%.

The 2026 Assessment Rolls were delivered to the Directors. Change Record transmittals for the 2026 assessment year for both Chelan and Douglas County Treasurers were reviewed by the Directors.

Marshall requested an increase in the General Fund, known as the Office Account, from a \$5,000 maximum balance to a \$10,000 maximum balance. He noted that several vendors issue invoices outside the normal billing cycle or require electronic payment. Increasing the account would ensure timely payment and support effective financial operations for such expenses.

It was moved by VanWinkle, seconded by Stamic, and carried to increase the Office Account maximum balance from \$5,000 to \$10,000.

Ramin will prepare a resolution for next Board meeting.

Marshall presented a cost analysis for the replacement of the pipeline beneath the School Street crossing at Easy Street, as previously discussed during the August Board meeting.

Discussion followed. No further action was taken.

Sanders presented two bids for a vacuum trailer, as previously discussed at the August Board meeting. Both bids were obtained through Sourcewell, a cooperative purchasing agency that provides competitively bid contracts for government entities. Use of Sourcewell contracts allows the District to procure goods and services in compliance with public bidding requirements while reducing administrative effort and cost.

<u>COMPANY</u>	<u>QUOTE</u>
➤ Ditch Witch	\$87,370.46
➤ Vermeer	\$121,888.96 (excluding sales tax)

Stimac noted that the Vermeer quote did not include sales tax and requested the District test the Ditch Witch vacuum trailer to ensure it meets operational needs.

Discussion followed.

The District will test the Ditch Witch vacuum trailer and report findings at the November Board meeting.

A contract between the District and Wenatchee Sand and Gravel was signed.

Signed Resolution 2025-09 Appointing Chris Hysom as the District Attorney.

Revolving Fund Checks Nos. 12761 through 12789 for Accounts Payable in the amount of \$36,224.64 were approved for payment.

Revolving Fund Checks for payroll and payroll benefits for September in the amount of \$113,159.44 were approved for payment.

There being no further business to come before the Board of Directors, meeting adjourned at 9:55 A.M.

  
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PRESIDENT

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SECRETARY

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