

RAE SUBDIVISION COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT NO. 313
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
October 15th, 2025 at 6 pm

Present:

Andrew Williamson, Board President
Nikki Penniman, Vice President
Rich McLane, Board Member
Bob Ingram, Board Member
Perry Hofferber, Board Member

Brain Peck, Morrison-Maierle
Ken Ridgway, Manager
Val Nolan, Secretary
Brad Hammerquest, Morrison-Maierle
Mike Stenberg, Hyalite Engineers
James Connolly, Hyalite Engineers
Kurik Mattics, DLM
Carl Cook, Developer

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 by Andrew Williamson. The meeting was held in the main office at RAE Water District.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

The minutes from the September 2025 board meeting were reviewed. It was noted the meeting start time of 7 pm was incorrect. A motion to approve the September 2025 minutes with meeting time correction to 6 pm was made by Rich McLane and seconded by Perry Hofferber. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- The treasurer's report for September 2025 was reviewed. Payments to Christie Electric for \$2,327 and Williams Plumbing for \$2,413 were noted for installing new flow meter at RAE Subdivision. It was also noted that we incurred a large bill from DLM, \$134,000, to repair 5 leaks. This will be paid for in October. Val noted the Amatics auditors were on-site yesterday, and they will have FY24/25 audit completed approximately early December. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Nikki Penniman and seconded by Bob Ingram. The motion passed unanimously.

OLD BUSINESS:

- Draft Demand Memo for DEQ. RAE Water design criteria further discussion. Brad Hammerquist from Morrison-Maierle presented further information concerning reduction in DEQ requirements for the wastewater facility design. Discussion was held on peak flows during the past three to four years. Flows were recorded weekly several years ago versus daily as they are now. Concerns were raised for reducing the requirements from 250 gpd per person to 160 gpd per person. It was suggested that any board member with additional questions reach out to Brad Hammerquist. A motion was made by Nikki Penniman to table

voting on acceptance of the Demand Memo until the November 2025 meeting and seconded by Rich McLane. The motion passed unanimously.

- Water expansion plans and budget review and discussion. Discussion was held concerning updated budget totals, which are much higher than anticipated. This will be further discussed at November meeting. A question was also raised on who is responsible for the power to the lot. A portion may be the responsibility of the developer. It was requested that Hyalite/DLM bring a final budget proposal to the November 2025 meeting. Discussion was also held concerning cathode protection at a minimum of \$30,000 additional cost plus constant maintenance costs. James and Ken will discuss it further and will present tank protection options at the November meeting.
- Update on complaint from 187 Launfal. Ken stated Susan is preparing a letter in response.

MANAGERS REPORT: Ken

- InControl has updated all SCADA systems with current cybersecurity measures. An employee of InControl was here for several days to update equipment.
- Advanced Wastewater pulled pump number 1 at Ressler lift station to remove a clog in the pump, which was a t-shirt.
- Christie Electric ordered and installed a new motor saver in the King Arthur lift station.
- Morrison-Maierle has begun planning the new ozone generator for the Ressler lift station. They also will be planning for the minimum upgrades for the wastewater plant identified by the 2024 Wastewater PER.

NEW BUSINESS:

- Resolution R-251015 for changing the District meeting time in the by-laws. Discussion was held on changing the Board meeting time and correcting the physical address of RAE Water District. A motion was made by Bob Ingram to approve R-251015 changing the meeting time in the RAE Subdivision By-Laws from 7 pm to 6 pm and to correct the physical address to 10 RAE Water Lane, Bozeman, Montana, and seconded by Perry Hofferber. The motion passed unanimously.
- Three quotes for a mini excavator were sent to the Board of Directors with the Board packet. Discussion was held concerning which one to purchase. This was left up to Ken as to which one he felt was best for the District.
- Christmas party was briefly discussed. Val will contact Ponderosa Social Club to reserve space as this worked well last year.
- Wage comparison and research. It was requested that we add an additional agenda item of wage comparison. It was discussed that we review overall wages in the area. This will be discussed further at November 2025 meeting.

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for November 19th, 2025, at 6 p.m.

ADJOURN: Nikki Penniman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. and this was seconded by Perry Hofferber. The motion passed unanimously.

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