

**MINUTES - REGULAR MEETING**  
**Board of Directors of Timberon Water and Sanitation District**  
**Tuesday March 10, 2026 at 5:00 pm**  
**Timberon Community Center, "Lodge"**  
**1 Bobwhite Circle, Timberon, NM 88350**

**Authorized by Otis Price, Chairman of the Board of Directors, Timberon Water & Sanitation District.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00 PM by Chairman Otis Price.

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Salute to the New Mexico Flag *"I salute the flag of the state of New Mexico, the Zia symbol of perfect friendship among united cultures."***

**ROLL CALL**

Board members present: Chairman Otis Price, Treasurer Joshua McCurdy, Director Derenda Robb.  
A quorum was achieved.

Board members absent: Vice Chair Caleb Flora, Director Jesse "JJ" Duckett.

Staff present: Board Secretary Nanette Thorell

**APPROVAL OF AGENDA**

Treasurer McCurdy moved to approve the agenda as written. Director Robb seconded the motion. A vote was called. All voted in favor, none opposed, and the motion passed unanimously.

**MANAGER REPORT**

In the absence of the General Manager, Treasurer McCurdy delivered the Manager Report.

Water production for the month was as follows: the main well produced 3,291,120 gallons and the golf course well produced 2,995,200 gallons, for a total of 6,286,320 gallons produced. Total water sold was 571,801 gallons, resulting in a water loss of 90% for the month.

Treasurer McCurdy noted that the crew addressed over 32 leaks during the month, which contributed significantly to the water loss percentage. The Board acknowledged the crew's efforts and the considerable additional hours worked in response to these repairs.

Treasurer McCurdy continued with the second portion of the report, advising that the General Manager has encouraged staff to "level up" their operator certifications. Staff member JoeBob has recently obtained his Level 1 operator certification and will be encouraged to pursue Level 2 certification. Staff member Travis will be encouraged to pursue Level 3 certification.

**TREASURER REPORT**

Treasurer McCurdy read the bank balances:

Facilities & Services \$62,046.28

Operations \$73,773.86

USDA Accounts: Construction Loan Pass Thru \$1.78; Debt Service \$993.46; Short Term Asset Replacement \$167,436.88

Water Asset Management Restricted Reserve \$155.82

Water Standby \$84,787.51

## **OLD BUSINESS:**

### **1. Discuss and Approve the minutes of the February 24<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting.**

There was no discussion. Director Robb moved to approve the minutes of the February 24<sup>th</sup> Special Meeting. Treasurer McCurdy seconded the motion. A vote was called. All voted in favor, none opposed and the motion passed unanimously.

### **2. Review/Discuss/Approve a plan for reimbursement of the Restricted Reserve account.**

Treasurer McCurdy presented a proposal to allocate 5% of incoming Standby fees to the Restricted Reserve account, with the possibility of increasing the percentage as financial conditions improve. Discussion followed among Board members and members of the public regarding the proposed percentage and the projected timeline for reimbursing the account.

Treasurer McCurdy moved to allocate 5% of incoming Standby fees to the Restricted Reserve account. Director Robb seconded the motion. A vote was called. All members voted in favor and none opposed. The motion passed unanimously.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

### **1. Discuss and approve granting the General Manager authority to execute contracts, utilize grant disbursements, and expend funds beyond the standard \$5,000 limit for the Tank 3 replacement project.**

Following discussion among Board members, the general consensus was that, given the General Manager's dual roles as Procurement Officer and General Manager, blanket authority was not advisable. Instead, the Board expressed a preference for calling a special meeting for the approval of contracts and grant disbursements as they arise. The Board also addressed questions from members of the public regarding tank placement logistics, tank redesign, and projected service downtime.

Treasurer McCurdy moved to approve granting the General Manager the authority as stated in the agenda item. Director Robb seconded the motion. Upon a vote being called, no members voted in favor. Director Robb, Treasurer McCurdy, and Chairman Price all voted in opposition. The motion failed unanimously.

## **PUBLIC COMMENT**

Audience member Arden announced that the Water Group would be meeting the following day in the small conference room and that the public is invited to participate. Chairman Price thanked Arden for assuming leadership of the group.

An unidentified audience member asked whether the Level 4 operator could speak to the cause of the ongoing leaks and plans for addressing them going forward. Chairman Price responded that he communicates with the Level 4 operator on a near-daily basis and explained that the issue is consistent with problems experienced when the pump was replaced several years ago. Specifically, the increased water pressure has caused leaks to develop in older, brittle pipes. Additionally, heavy snowfall has softened the ground, resulting in deep ruts from heavy vehicles passing over and compressing underground pipes.

Audience member David offered input regarding methods and associated costs for detecting underground leaks.

Audience member Steve inquired whether there was any new information from the county regarding the dumpster situation. Chairman Price responded that there was no new information and indicated he would follow up with the county the following day.

Additional discussion was held regarding upcoming grants, the intended purposes of those grants, and potential applications of grant funding.

**DIRECTORS REMARKS**

Chairman Price reported that office staff had located a 40-year plan that was initiated in 2000, which is currently under review. Chairman Price also reported that a retired employee from Otero County Roads has been hired and will be grading the non-county roads in Timberon two days per week.

**MOTION TO ADJOURN**

Director Robb moved to adjourn the meeting. Treasurer McCurdy seconded the motion. A vote was called. All voted in favor, none opposed and the meeting adjourned at 5:43 PM.

Approved April 14 2026

Chairman Otis Price *Otis Price*

Secretary Nanette Thorell *N Thorell*

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