

TRUCKEE MEADOWS WATER AUTHORITY  
MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 11, 2025  
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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The Board of Directors met on Thursday, December 11, 2025 at Sparks City Council Chambers. Chair Andriola called the meeting to order at 10:14 a.m.

1. ROLL CALL

**Directors Present:** Paul Anderson, Clara Andriola, Miguel Martinez, Kathleen Taylor Dian VanderWell and \*Alternate Megan Ebert.

**Director Absent:** Naomi Duerr and Alexis Hill

A quorum was present.

*\*Member Ebert attended the meeting via Zoom*

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Danny Rotter, Assistant General Manager.

Chair Andriola acknowledged John Zimmerman, General Manager, was attending the Board meeting via Zoom.

Mr. Zimmerman noted he is having Mr. Rotter fill in for him should circumstances arise in the future where he would not be able to attend and to ensure a smooth transition. He added that he would be online should anyone have any questions for him during the meeting.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT

Ken McNeil, TMWA customer, presented his concerns regarding the cost of service and rate design study, stating that the proposed changes are not equitable.

Sonia Folsom, Board Clerk, read into the record a public comment email received (attached).

4. POSSIBLE BOARD COMMENTS OR ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

There were no Board comments.

5. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

**Upon motion by Director VanderWell, second by Director Anderson, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board approved the agenda.**

**6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 15, 2025 MEETING OF THE TMWA BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**Upon motion by Director Anderson, second by Director Martinez, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board approved the October 15, 2025 minutes.**

**7. REPORT REGARDING OMBUDSMAN ACTIVITIES FROM DECEMBER 2024 THROUGH NOVEMBER 2025 AND REQUEST FOR BOARD DIRECTION AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION FOR THE GENERAL MANAGER TO PROCEED WITH KIM MAZERES AS OMBUDSMAN FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2026**

Marci Westlake, Customer Service Manager, and Kim Mazeres, Ombudsman, presented the staff report. Chair Andriola thanked Ms. Mazeres for connecting her with a constituent and appreciated her hard work.

**Upon motion by Director Anderson, second by Director Martinez, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board approved the authorization for the General Manager to proceed with Kim Mazeres as Ombudsman for Calendar Year 2026.**

**8. PUBLIC HEARING ON RULE AMENDMENTS**

**A. PUBLIC COMMENT — LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN THREE MINUTES PER SPEAKER**

There was no public comment.

**B. RULE AMENDMENT, SECOND HEARING, PUBLIC HEARING: DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON RESOLUTION NO. 338: A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT AMENDMENTS TO RULE 7 WATER DEMAND ESTIMATE FOR NEW OR MODIFIED SERVICE APPLICATIONS**

Eddy Quaglieri, Water Resources Manager, and Shawn Stoddard, Senior Resource Economist, presented the resolution.

Vice Chair Anderson inquired about the process to review Rule 7 going forward. Mr. Quaglieri replied staff reviews it every three-five years to ensure they are in line with the demand. Dr. Stoddard added that staff have been tracking the data since 2001 and have made adjustments approximately every five years but have noticed that the trend has stabilized in the last five years.

**C. PUBLIC COMMENT — LIMITED TO NO MORE THAN THREE MINUTES PER SPEAKER**

There was no public comment.

## CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

**Upon motion by Director Anderson, second by Director Duerr, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board adopted Resolution No. 338: A resolution to adopt the redline version of the updated Rule 7 as presented and adopt the update Rule 7 contingent on receiving State Engineer's approval.**

## 9. WATER SUPPLY UPDATE

Kara Steeland, Senior Hydrologist and Watershed Coordinator, informed the Board that the snowpack in the Truckee Basin is well below the median, however with the above average precipitation experienced since October, soil moisture is well above average, which will improve spring runoff efficiency. Ms. Steeland added that Lake Tahoe is projected to remain about one foot below the natural rim through fall 2026 and river flows will be met throughout next year, overall reservoir storage is about 60% capacity and TMWA holds 37-38k acre-feet (AF) in drought reserves and currently is not in a drought as defined by the US Drought Monitor due to the soil moisture and rain.

Ms. Steeland also announced the Truckee River Operating Agreement (TROA) 10-year anniversary which was implemented in December 2015. Over the last 10 years, it has enabled TMWA to store robust drought reserves (60k AF from 2020-2022) which is essential for long-term water supply reliability for the Truckee Meadows and other TROA signatory parties.

## 10. DISCUSSION AND ACTION CONFIRMING APPOINTMENT OF BRYCE TWICHELL AS A TRUSTEE TO FILL THE REMAINING TERM OF STEVE ENOS TO THE §501-C-9 POST-RETIREMENT MEDICAL PLAN & TRUST ENDING ON DECEMBER 31, 2026

Jessica Atkinson, Human Resources Director, presented the staff report.

**Upon motion by Director Anderson, second by Director Martinez, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board confirmed the appointment of Bryce Twichell as a trustee to fill the remaining term of Steve Enos to the §501-c-9 Post-Retirement Medical Plan & Trust ending on December 31, 2026.**

## 11. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION NO. 339: A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL COMPREHENSIVE FINANCIAL REPORT (ACFR) FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JUNE 30, 2025

Sophie Cardinal, Financial Controller, presented the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for fiscal year ended June 30, 2025. Ms. Cardinal informed the Board that Eide Bailly issued a clean opinion with no internal control deficiencies, and the single audit, delayed by federal timing and a government shutdown, is expected to confirm compliance, with one material weakness related to reporting a grant

expenditure in the wrong fiscal year; corrective measures are in place. TMWA retired two State Revolving Fund bonds, improving financial stability, with plans for further debt optimization. The Davis Fire in September 2024 damaged Old Washoe Well 4, resulting in an impairment loss, and restoration planning is underway. The organization adopted GASB 101, expanding compensated absences to include estimated sick time to be used during employment, creating a more conservative liability. Finally, the Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR) summarizes these updates in an 18-page visual format to enhance transparency.

Chair Andriola commended staff on earning the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting for fiscal year 2024 and inquired if they would receive it again for fiscal year 2025. Ms. Cardinal replied they apply for the award every year to the Government Finance Officers Association, who issues the award along with a similar award for the PAFR.

Member Ebert inquired about when the Single Audit report would be finished. Ms. Cardinal replied that it is expected to be issued tomorrow.

**Upon motion by Director Anderson, second by Director Martinez, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board adopt Resolution No. 339: A resolution to approve the Annual Comprehensive Financial Report (ACFR) for fiscal year ended June 30, 2025.**

## 12. PRESENTATION OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE FOR FIRST QUARTER FISCAL YEAR 2026

Matt Bowman, Chief Financial Officer, presented the staff report. Mr. Bowman noted a change in the presentation format, shifting from a traditional walkthrough to a more visual approach. The presentation mirrors the report while adding a few additional topics, with a primary focus on actual versus budget performance. Mr. Bowman stated that operating revenue was about 2% below budget, primarily due to lower water sales, while operating expenses were 7% under budget, driven by cost control efforts. Investment earnings exceeded expectations by \$200,000, and connection fees were initially 40% below budget but have since caught up in October and November, though a slowdown in new business is anticipated. Capital spending totaled \$14.5 million, and cash balances declined by \$4 million, which is typical at this time of year. Hydroelectric revenue outperformed budget by 25% due to favorable river conditions and strong plant performance. Salaries and benefits were higher year-over-year as expected from contractual and staffing changes, while services and supplies remained flat. Employee headcount is below budget and expected to remain so, reflecting adjustments made earlier in the year.

At this time the Board commended Mr. Bowman and staff on their hard work presenting them in a visual way to supplement the staff report and inquired about the drop in will-service commitments and if TMWA has the capacity to serve the population. Mr. Bowman replied that it is hard to predict the local economy and development since some developers come to TMWA with their own water rights, and TMWA just finalized the 2025-2045 Water Resource Plan and the 20-year projections, and beyond, show there is enough water to supply the region. Mr. Rotter added that there is a limit to the Truckee River as a resource which is why staff has identified alternative resources looking beyond 20-years.

**13. DISCUSSION AND ACTION, AND POSSIBLE AUTHORIZATION FOR GENERAL MANAGER TO AMEND SUN VALLEY GENERAL IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT (SVGID) WHOLESALE AGREEMENT TO INCREASE TIER 1 USAGE**

Mr. Bowman presented the fourth amendment to the wholesale agreement with SVGID to increase the Tier 1 usage from 38 million gallons to 42 million gallons effective January 1, 2026.

**Upon motion by Director Anderson, second by Director Martinez, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board approved authorization for General Manager to amend Sun Valley General Improvement District (SVGID) wholesale agreement to increase Tier 1 usage.**

**14. DISCUSSION AND ACTION, AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION TO STAFF REGARDING APPOINTMENTS TO THE STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE TO FILL VACANCIES IN EXISTING POSITIONS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE DECEMBER 31, 2025, SUCH APPOINTMENTS TO BE MADE FOR NEW TERMS FROM JANUARY 1, 2026 TO DECEMBER 31, 2027 FROM THE FOLLOWING LIST IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER: RYAN GREENHALGH, COMMERCIAL CUSTOMER ALTERNATE, JOHN KRMPOTIC, COMMERCIAL CUSTOMER PRIMARY, CHRIS MELTON, WHOLESALE CUSTOMER PRIMARY, CONNOR NAISBITT, RENO-SPARKS CHAMBER APPOINTMENT PRIMARY, JONNIE PULLMAN, MULTI-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL CUSTOMER ALTERNATE, ANN SILVER, RENO-SPARKS CHAMBER APPOINTMENT ALTERNATE**

Ms. Folsom presented the staff report.

**Upon motion by Director Hill, second by Director VanderWell, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board approved the appointments to the Standing Advisory Committee to fill vacancies in existing positions whose terms expire December 31, 2025, such appointments to be made for new terms from January 1, 2026 to December 31, 2027 from the following list in alphabetical order: Ryan Greenhalgh, commercial customer alternate, John Krmpotic, commercial customer primary, Chris Melton, wholesale customer primary, Connor Naisbitt, Reno-Sparks Chamber appointment primary, Jonnie Pullman, multi-family residential customer alternate, Ann Silver, Reno-Sparks Chamber appointment alternate.**

15. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON APPOINTMENTS TO THE STANDING ADVISORY COMMITTEE (SAC) TO FILL THE SENIOR CITIZEN ALTERNATE, AT-LARGE ALTERNATE, RESIDENTIAL ALTERNATE, MULTI-FAMILY PRIMARY, AND OTHER POSSIBLE VACANCIES FOR TERMS BEGINNING JANUARY 1, 2026 TO DECEMBER 31, 2028 FROM THE FOLLOWING POOL OF CANDIDATES LISTED IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER: KEITH HAYES AND RAY TOWNE

Ms. Folsom presented the staff report.

**Upon motion by Director Anderson, second by Director Martinez, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board approved the appointment of Keith Hayes, at-large 2 alternate, and Ray Towne, senior citizen alternate, positions.**

16. DISCUSSION AND ACTION ON SCHEDULING REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATES AND TIMES FOR THE CALENDAR YEAR 2026

Ms. Folsom presented the proposed dates and times for Board meetings in 2026.

**Upon motion by Director Anderson, second by Director Martinez, which motion duly carried by unanimous consent of the Directors present, the Board approved the board meeting dates and times for the Calendar Year 2026**

17. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Mr. Rotter informed the Board that the Lady Bug project, aimed at reducing wildfire risk in the Middle Truckee River Watershed, has been completed. This pilot effort resulted in the creation of the Middle Truckee River Watershed Forest Partnership (MTRWFP) and a 10-year vegetation management plan. He expressed appreciation to Ms. Steeland and Stefanie Morris, Outside Counsel, for their leadership. Additionally, Fitch reaffirmed TMWA's AAA financial rating. The New Business department is working on enabling online payments, and during the meeting, Mr. Quaglieri received confirmation that the State Engineer approved changes to TMWA's Rule 7. Staff is also collaborating with National Association for Industrial and Office Parks (NAIOP) and Northern Nevada Public Health to improve the building permit process. Furthermore, TMWA is coordinating with Washoe County staff to address the River Oak Homeowners Association (HOA) issue and is organizing a meeting with the Public Utilities Commission, Nevada Department of Environmental Protection, and Verdi Meadows Utility Company. Mr. Rotter concluded by thanking staff for their dedication and teamwork.

Chair Andriola thanked staff for meeting with NAIOP and River Oaks HOA.

Vice Chair Anderson thanked Mr. Rotter and staff and inquired about how quickly the Ladybug project improvements can begin to be measured. Ms. Steeland replied that the project decreases the chances of a severe fire from occurring, so if a fire happens there will likely be less impacts.

## 18. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

## 19. BOARD COMMENTS AND REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no Board comments.

## 20. ADJOURNMENT

With no further discussion, Chair Andriola adjourned the meeting at 11:29 a.m.

Approved by the TMWA Board of Directors in session on Wednesday, January 21, 2026.

Sonia Folsom, Board Clerk.

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**New submission from Comments to the Board**

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**From** WEBSITE: Comments to the Board <info@waterforms.net>

**Date** Sat 11/15/2025 5:42 PM

**To** Folsom, Sonia <sfolsom@tmwa.com>

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**Comments**

Dear Board Members: Please do not forget that at least 100 people who live in the RIVER OAK Homeowners Association have had high hopes that TMWA would be able to be our water provider. We do NOT agree with the Nevada Public Utilities Commission that have selected a "TMWA wholesale connection" vs a TMWA Total Consolidation Connection for our community. Mrs. Duerr, John Silverman and Alexis Hill have been to our community, gotten and given feedback and suggestions re: our hopes and aspirations for connection to TMWA. A group of homeowners, separate from the current ROHA Board who seem to accept the NPUC recommendations, are continuing to see what, if anything, would ensure TMWA to be our provider, at some point in the future.

I'm writing to let you know that TMUA, not VMUC, is our ultimate choice for our community. Unfortunately I won't be able to tell you in person, but will be following TMWA's meetings and decision making henceforth.

Thank you for your support and information thus far. It has been greatly appreciated.

Sincerely, Bev Dummitt, 90 year old active senior of River Oak Homeowners Association