



Hungry Horse County Water & Sewer District

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Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

March 19th, 2026 | 6:00PM

A. CALL TO ORDER 6:00PM President Wagner called the meeting to order.

B. ROLL CALL 6:00PM

PRESENT: President Doug Wagner, Vice President Tom Blakney, Director Dan Stahlberg, Director Jamie Foster, Director Brent Schmidt STAFF: GMO Ben Shafer, Secretary Raye Lynn Goodson EXCUSED ABSENT: Bookkeeper Mallory Mumma GUESTS: Vivian Allen

C. ADOPTION OF AGENDA 6:01PM

6:01PM Wagner **MOVED** to adopt the agenda. **AYE UNANIMOUS MOTION PASSED; SO RESOLVED**

D. PUBLIC COMMENT 6:01PM

Allen stated she had no public comment at this time.

E. FEBRUARY 2026 MINUTES TO APPROVE/CORRECT 6:01PM

6:01PM Wagner **MOVED** to accept the February 2026 minutes. **AYE UNANIMOUS MOTION PASSED; SO RESOLVED**

F. REPORTS 6:02PM

1. BOOKKEEPER'S REPORT (DIRECTOR'S REPORT) 6:02PM

The board and Shafer went over the Director's Report.

a. FINANCIAL STATEMENTS 6:07PM

USAGE & LOSS Shafer went over this report comparing it to the previous year. PAST DUE LIST Past Due Customers paid more this month so the list is shorter. Mumma and Shafer spent time this month going over who was off, who has paid and who is still past due. PROFIT & LOSS The report now shows budget v. actual and Shafer went over the report. BALANCE SHEET The Balance Sheet was reviewed with no questions or concerns. ADJUSTMENTS No adjustments were made this month CHECK DETAIL The board and Shafer reviewed the Check Detail report. Shafer noted that the Fire Extinguisher Inspection cost was higher than usual due to the replacement of an extinguisher.

b. BILLS 6:10PM

6:10PM Schmidt **MOVED** to pay the bills for March 2026. **AYE UNANIMOUS MOTION PASSED; SO RESOLVED**

c. CORRESPONDENCE 6:11PM

The board received a notice about Inter-cap loan rates.

2. MANAGER'S WRITTEN REPORT, DAILY LOG & TO-DO LIST UPDATE 6:12PM

Shafer went over his manager's report including new map creation through a grant program. He also discussed employee benefits, noting that Lakeside Water District offers pension plans and additional benefits. Shafer plans to follow up with them to explore whether similar options could be made available for this district's employees. Shafer reported that the Back-up Operator will be attending upcoming trainings to complete required certification hours. He also provided an update on the ongoing leak, including information related to flow meters, wells, the distribution system, and storage tanks. Additionally, Shafer noted that Flathead County has approved the acceptance of gravity-fed septic systems. This change is expected to allow more lots to qualify for septic system installation..

3. SECRETARY'S REPORT 6:24PM

Goodson reviewed the Secretary's Report and discussed plans to provide more frequent and detailed information to customers via the website. This will include announcements such as the availability of the budget and updates on the Summer Sprinkler Rate.

G. UNFINISHED BUSINESS 6:28PM

1. NONE The board spoke about the potential of a Water Bottling Plant in Hungry Horse.

H. NEW BUSINESS 6:30PM

1. VOTE TO MODIFY BYLAWS - OFFICER TERMS OF OFFICE - AFTER PUBLIC COMMENT 6:30PM

Allen asked for a copy of the proposed changes and Wagner directed her to the Paragraph they are hoping to eliminate. The board discussed the change to the bylaws. **6:34PM** Allen then gave her opinion and opposition for the movement.

6:36PM Wagner **MOVED** to eliminate an article 8, section 2, paragraph 3.

AYE UNANIMOUS MOTION PASSED; SO RESOLVED

2. TASK REVIEW 6:37PM

Stahlberg will work on the pump-house roof with Shafer when the weather is better.

Shafer will be checking in on the subscription to the new map system.

Goodson will update the bylaws, rate schedule and work on the file room.

I. ADJOURNMENT (7:00PM OR SOONER) 6:40PM

6:40PM Wagner **MOVED** to adjourn. **AYE UNANIMOUS MOTION PASSED; SO RESOLVED**

Signed _____ Date _____
Douglas T. Wagner, President

Attested _____ Date _____
Raye Lynn Goodson, Secretary