

RAE SUBDIVISION COUNTY WATER & SEWER DISTRICT NO. 313
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
February 18th, 2026 at 6 pm

Present:

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

Ken Ridway, Manager
Val Nolan, Secretary

ORDER OF BUSINESS:

The meeting was called to order at 5:58 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 January 2026 board meeting were reviewed. A motion to approve the January 2026 minutes made by Nikki Penniman and seconded by Perry Hofferber. The motion passed unanimously.

TREASURER'S REPORT:

- The treasurer's report for January 2026 was reviewed. Val highlighted payments made in January which were \$8,000 to Amatics for F2024/2025 audit, deposit to post office for monthly bills, a payment to InControl for cybersecurity (3 months) for \$2,285.50. Other payments were typical. A motion to approve the treasurer's report was made by Perry Hofferber and seconded by Bob Ingram. The motion passed unanimously.
- Stifel Nicolaus discussion. Paul Anthony Holt would like to present various options to increase our investment earnings at a Board meeting and the Board agreed they would like him to do a brief presentation to discuss options in relation to capital investments, etc. This will likely be at the April meeting depending on Mr. Holt's schedule.

OLD BUSINESS:

MANAGER'S REPORT:

- King Arthur Clubhouse well rehab is almost complete. A new pump, motor, and riser pipe are being installed. Once the Clubhouse well is complete Red Tiger Drilling will perform a rehabilitation on the King Arthur Laundry well. Both wells feed the onsite water tank. There was a gain of 9 gallons per minute consistently with replacing a pump.

- Ken, John, and Shannon made repairs to the post equalization floor hatch. All three hinges were broken, presenting a huge safety concern.
- Montana DEQ performed their 3-year water sanitary survey on 2/12/2026. Zero discrepancies found, and a few recommendations will be in the report. It was advised to get ahead of the reporting requirements for the Falcon Hollow well number 2 U. V. system, so we are ready for any changes.
- Ken met with Security solutions on 2/10/2026 to further discuss the security camera needs. Still awaiting a quote from them.
- Ressler Lift Station ozone generator plans have been submitted to DEQ for review. We will have to request bids for this project as it will be greater than \$75,000.

New Business:

NEXT MEETING: The next meeting is scheduled for April 15th, 2026, at 6 p.m. The March meeting is canceled due to scheduling conflicts and the MRWS conference.

ADJOURN: Nikki Penniman motioned to adjourn the meeting at 6:33 p.m. and this was seconded by Perry Hofferber. The motion passed unanimously.

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