



**TERREBONNE DOMESTIC
WATER DISTRICT**

Terrebonne Domestic Water District

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Regular Public Budget Meeting February, 10th 2026

The Regular Public Board Meeting was **called to order** at 18:02 hours on Feb 10th, 2026 with 3 directors present: Board President Eric Fisher, Secretary Jim Wilhelm, Treasurer Kevin Byrne, Board Member Velda Aldous and Board Member Matt Banton . Also present was District Manager Dan Bruce There were no members of the public attending or on Zoom.

Agenda: Eric presented the agenda to the board (see agenda).

Minutes: Minutes for the January 13th 2026 public board meeting were reviewed by the board. (see minutes). Jim made a motion that the board accept the minutes as presented, seconded by Matt.

VOTES: Eric-yes, Velda-yea, Jim-yea, Kevin-yea, Matt-yea. The motion passed unanimously.

Treasurer's Report: The current financial report was reviewed by the board, (see report). Kevin reported \$31,850 in income, \$34,180 of expenses and **-\$2,330** of net income for the month of November. Current accounts showed onhand funds of **\$949,895**. Matt, made a motion that the board accept the financial report and the checks as presented, seconded by Velda.

VOTES: Eric-yes, Velda-yea, Jim-yea, Kevin-yea, Matt-yea. The motion passed unanimously.

President's Report: Eric, the President reserved his report for comment during Managers Report.

District Manager's Report: Dan presented his report to the board (see report).

School Water Usage: Dan informed the board that he is looking into some options the district may have to reduce the impact of the local schools irrigation on our system. As it stands now the schools water usage can have a great impact on our water storage when they water. It is possible we could repurpose well 2 for some relief. It will be an ongoing project and Dan will keep the board updated.

Water Rights: It looks like we are getting close to getting an offer on the water rights we have been pursuing through Jim Newton. As soon as Dan hears a number he will review it with the board.

County Planning Meeting: Dan, Eric and Kevin reviewed their views of the recent meeting with the county planning commission. It was related that the meeting was cordial but there was an underlying manner of coolness to the meeting. Eric relays to the county that while we wanted to cooperate with the county our major position is that we will protect our water at all costs. Along these same lines Eric noted that our district may be in need of more water storage if new housing came to the Terrebonne area. It was noted that we may have a need for grants from the county if this does occur. Our cooperation with the planning board may help us with these grants. The district will be participating in further meetings on this subject.

Business Discussed: Items noted on agenda:

ODOT HWY 97 Project: Dan informed the board that this week has seen several more problems with the 97 project. It is to the point now that Knife River will no longer even talk to him. It was decided at this point that the board would convene in executive session to review recent consultation Dan has had with our legal council.

Executive Session: Eric read the Executive Session Statement (see statement)
Regular Public meeting suspended at 18:40.

Regular Session: The board returned to regular session at 18:54 hours.

RCAC (missstated as RCAP on agenda): Jim informed the board that he had recently had a discussion with the RCAC, Rural Community Assistance Corporation concerning a possible rate study. This rate study would be at no cost to the district but would require some effort to gather the required information. The board was concerned that the time frame for this is 6 to 12 months and would like to get it done faster. The board was in some agreement that a rate increase was needed but at this point could not come to an agreement. It was agreed that: #1 Jim and Dan would contact RCAC to see if the timeframe can be reduced. #2 The board would discuss and consider a one time rate increase before the new fiscal year. #3 Once the rate study is received the board will consider further long term rates.

Document Retention: Dan informed the board that Jim had been working diligently to review all the district's old business records and eliminate unneeded documents. Moving forward we will be scanning old documents that need to be retained and all future documents will be retained digitally.

Other Business: Well Protection, Employee Bonus

Well Protection: Jim questions the district's progress on getting the well protection we are seeking from the county. Dan noted that he was unable to locate pertinent information he was seeking but he would soon be presenting the board with options.

Staff Bonus: Jim informed the board that we had taken no action on a possible bonus for the staff during the holiday season. It was agreed that the board would address this issue at the next regular meeting.

Next Regular Board Meeting: March 10th, 2026 @ 18:00 hours @ TDWD district office.

Meeting Adjourned: 19:32 hours

Submitted By: Jim Wilhelm

Secretary TDWD

Recorded Action Points