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JULY 2025 AGENDA

July 9, 2025 - 7:30 p.m. at the District's office at 104 Second Street at Hingham, Montana.

Recognition of visitors; Public comments, limited to any matter not on this agenda and within the jurisdiction of the District Board; 3-minute time limit per speaker.

Call to order and approval of minutes of previous meeting.

OLD BUSINESS:

OTHER OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

- 1. Employee Report
- 2. CD Renewal

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

OTHER:

- 1. Delinquencies
- 2. Bills

NEXT REGULAR MEETING – August 6, 2025 at 7:30 p.m.

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE HILL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

The regular meeting of the Hill County Water District was held on June 4, 2025, at the District's office at Hingham, Montana.

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS: None.

CALL TO ORDER:

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. by President Lowell Strissel, who acted as Chairman. All board members were present except Rob Moog and Shane Borlaug and the chairman declared a quorum present. Also present was Manager Chad Hedges and Secretary Tammy Pike.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: No members were present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

The Chairman asked for corrections or additions to the minutes of the May 7, 2025, regular board meeting previously received by all board members. On motion by Tina Wood, seconded by Jason Myers, the Board approved the minutes of May 7, 2025, regular board meeting as presented.

<u>PUBLIC HEARING</u>: The Chairman declared the public hearing open for the purpose of gathering public comment on the Ordinance increasing fixed, variable and bulk rates.

The Board reviewed the Ordinance Amending Sections 1.4 Water Charges and Section 1.5 Bulk Station Charges. The Ordinance would increase the fixed, variable and bulk rates. The Ordinance was reviewed for its second reading and opened to the public for comment. No changes were made to the Ordinance and on motion by Larry Fossen, seconded by Kevin Springer, the Ordinance Amending Sections 1.4 Water Charges and Section 1.5 Bulk Station Charges was approved. The Ordinance, a copy of which is attached, will take effect with July 2025 services.

Hearing no questions or comments, the Chairman declared the public hearing closed and moved on to the Board's other agenda items.

OLD BUSINESS:

None.

OTHER OLD BUSINESS:

None.

NEW BUSINESS:

<u>EMPLOYEE REPORT</u>: Chad Hedges advised Central Excavation finished the pipeline that will deliver water to the District from North Central Regional Water Authority and Copper Creek is currently working on the booster station.

Mr. Hedges advised the Board a vfd in Joplin failed and a new one will be ordered.

Mr. Hedges also advised the District is pumping over 400,000 gallons per day and so far, the District has been able to keep up.

Mr. Hedges reported the divers from Midco should be here some time this month to inspect the tanks.

<u>CD RENEWAL</u>: Tammy Pike referred the Board to the Investment Report included with the meeting materials. She reported that a portion of the District's existing CD investments is subject to reinvestment in June. Ms. Pike reviewed with the Board CD investment options and quoted rates from banks noting that Independence Bank had the best rates. On motion by Jason Myers, seconded by Tina Wood, the Board approved renewing the existing CD at Independence Bank for one year at a rate of 3.85% and authorized the officers to execute any documents required.

OTHER NEW BUSINESS:

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Lowell Strissel advised the Board on reviewing a Hill County Commissioner meeting video of May 21, 2025 wherein the President of East Kremlin Water Users Association was looking at upgrading infrastructure and possibly expanding the Association's membership. The District was not made aware of the Association's intentions. The District discussed the Association expanding its membership and is not sure this will be an option even when the District hooks up to the North Central Regional Water Authority. The Board advised Chad Hedges to send a letter to the Association letting the members know what the District has discussed.

OTHER BUSINESS:

DELINQUENCIES: The Board reviewed the report on current delinquencies.

<u>BILLS</u>: The Board reviewed the list of monthly bills; a copy of the list of current bills is appended to these minutes. On motion Tina Wood, seconded by Jason Myers, the Board approved all such bills for payment.

Tammy Pike advised the Board she planned to be on vacation the first week of July. The Board discussed the July meeting and it will be moved to the second Wednesday in July.

Since the Board had no further business, the Chairman adjourned the meeting.

Tammy R. Pike, Board Secretary

Next Desuler Meeting - Meducedeu July 0,0005, et 7,00

Next Regular Meeting – Wednesday July 9, 2025, at 7:30 p.m. at the District's office at 104 Second Street, Hingham, Montana.

ORDINANCE NO. 2025-1

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTIONS 1.4 WATER CHARGES AND 1.5 BULK STATION CHARGES OF THE RULES AND REGULATIONS OF THE HILL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

BE IT ORDAINED by the Hill County Water District that:

Section 1.4 Water Charges of the Rules and Regulations for Hill County Water District, is

hereby amended to read as follows:

1.4 Water Charges:

Water rates for Hill County Water District users shall be as follows:

3/4", 5/8" & 1" residential - \$51 monthly plus \$3.50/1,000 gallon.

11/2" residential & commercial - \$91 monthly plus \$3.50/1,000 gallon.

2" residential & commercial - \$171 monthly plus \$3.50/1,000 gallon.

<u>3/4", 5/8" & 1" agricultural taps</u> - \$51 monthly plus \$3.50/1,000 gallon, charged and payable only in months when actually used.

A user shall be defined as a household or business establishment which is connected to a Hill County Water District service line, whether or not water is used in the month of the charge, unless an exception within these rules relieves the user from a fee.

An ag tap user shall be defined as a hydrant/tap used for servicing livestock, gardens, trees and lawns and shall never be connected to any buildings.

Section 1.5 Bulk Station Charges of the Rules and Regulations for Hill County Water

District, is hereby amended to read as follows:

1.15 Bulk Station Charges:

Water being metered at bulk stations shall be charged at the rate of \$4.20/1,000 gallons.

PASSED and approved by the Hill County Water District on this day of June, 2025.

HILL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

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President

ATTEST

HILL COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Register: 1021 · Cash in Bank-Independence Bank

From 05/08/2025 through 06/04/2025

Sorted by: Date, Type, Number/Ref

Date	Number	Payee	Account	Memo	Payment	С	Deposit	Balance
05/08/2025			-split-	Deposit		x	6,296.73	135,080.83
05/08/2025	eft	Montana Dept. of Re	2100 · State Wtihholding	4026077-002	486.00		-,	134,594.83
05/08/2025	eft	United States Treasury	-split-	81-0297216	3,448.76			131,146.07
05/08/2025	TP		1145 · Accounts Recei		-,	х	80.34	131,226.41
05/08/2025	TP		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	130.92	131,357.33
05/08/2025	TP		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	120.00	131,477.33
05/08/2025	TP		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	26.46	131,503.79
05/09/2025	TP		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	72.60	131,576.39
05/09/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	75.00	131,651.39
05/09/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	118.00	131,769.39
05/10/2025	TP		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	81.30	131,850.69
05/12/2025	TP		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	64.30	131,914.99
05/12/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	130.00	132,044.99
05/13/2025			-split-	Mobile Deposit		х	8,734.55	140,779.54
05/13/2025			12000 · Undeposited F	Deposit		х	125.00	140,904.54
05/13/2025	eft	Montana DEQ	2005 · Accounts Payab	•	100.00	х		140,804.54
05/14/2025			12000 · Undeposited F	Deposit		х	112.89	140,917.43
05/14/2025	eft	Montana DPHHS La	2005 · Accounts Payab	•	152.25	х		140,765.18
05/14/2025	eft	Core & Main	2005 · Accounts Payab		1,053.44	х		139,711.74
05/14/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	157.35	139,869.09
05/15/2025			-split-	Deposit		х	6,148.81	146,017.90
05/15/2025			-split-	Mobile Deposit		х	432.63	146,450.53
05/19/2025			12000 · Undeposited F	Deposit		х	463.10	146,913.63
05/22/2025			-split-	Mobile Deposit		x	1,732.91	148,646.54
05/22/2025	eft	Montana DEQ	2005 · Accounts Payab	-	30.00	х		148,616.54
05/27/2025			12000 · Undeposited F	Mobile Deposit		х	63.47	148,680.01
05/27/2025			12000 · Undeposited F	Deposit			300.00	148,980.01
05/28/2025		QuickBooks Payroll	2110 · Wages Payable	Created by Pay	8,127.15	х		140,852.86
05/28/2025	TP		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	71.62	140,924.48
05/28/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	133.30	141,057.78
05/28/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	50.00	141,107.78
05/28/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei			х	68.40	141,176.18
05/29/2025			-split-	Deposit		х	32,311.19	173,487.37
05/29/2025			-split-	Mobile Deposit		х	2,009.98	175,497.35
05/29/2025			12000 · Undeposited F	Mobile Deposit		х	7,644.96	183,142.31
05/29/2025	eft	American Funds	-split-		2,389.32	х		180,752.99
05/29/2025		Cady, Lonnie M.	-split-	Direct Deposit		х		180,752.99
05/29/2025		Hedges, Chad M	-split-	Direct Deposit		x		180,752.99
05/29/2025		Pike, Tammy R.	-split-	Direct Deposit		x		180,752.99
05/30/2025			4320 · Interest Income	Interest		х	70.94	180,823.93

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05/30/2025	eft	Blue Cross Blue Shie	2005 · Accounts Payab		3,373.02	x		177,450.91
05/30/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei				150.00	177,600.91
06/02/2025			12000 · Undeposited F	Deposit			54.24	177,655.15
06/02/2025			12000 · Undeposited F	Deposit			85.69	177,740.84
06/02/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei				12.50	177,753.34
06/02/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei				157.03	177,910.37
06/03/2025			-split-	Mobile Deposit			11,365.07	189,275.44
06/03/2025			12000 · Undeposited F	Deposit			113.72	189,389.16
06/03/2025	eft	Hill County Electric	2005 · Accounts Payab		6,977.45			182,411.71
06/03/2025	eft	Northwestern Energy	2005 · Accounts Payab		1,003.72			181,407.99
06/03/2025	eft	I Bank Visa 2016	2005 · Accounts Payab		1,534.17			179,873.82
06/03/2025	eft	I Bank Visa 6058	2005 · Accounts Payab		276.99			179,596.83
06/03/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei				64.88	179,661.71
06/03/2025	ТР		1145 · Accounts Recei				75.73	179,737.44
06/04/2025			-split-	Mobile Deposit			749.24	180,486.68
06/04/2025	eft	Northwestern Energy	2005 · Accounts Payab		203.35			180,283.33
06/04/2025	eft	Triangle Communica	2005 · Accounts Payab		155.56			180,127.77
06/04/2025	2439	American Welding &	2005 · Accounts Payab		84.87			180,042.90
06/04/2025	2440	Core & Main	2005 · Accounts Payab		6,628.83			173,414.07
06/04/2025	2441	Daniel Hybner	2005 · Accounts Payab		80.00			173,334.07
06/04/2025	2442	Diamond Welding	2005 · Accounts Payab		1,570.00			171,764.07
06/04/2025	2443	Farmers Union Oil	2005 · Accounts Payab		395.12	•		171,368.95
06/04/2025	2444	Jason Myers	2005 · Accounts Payab		80.00			171,288.95
06/04/2025	2445	John Deere Financial	2005 · Accounts Payab		97.80			171,191.15
06/04/2025	2446	Kevin W. Springer	2005 · Accounts Payab		80.00			171,111.15
06/04/2025	2447	Larry J. Fossen	2005 · Accounts Payab		80.00			171,031.15
06/04/2025	2448	Loch Electric	2005 · Accounts Payab		4,397.49			166,633.66
06/04/2025	2449	Lowell Strissel	2005 · Accounts Payab		80.00			166,553.66
06/04/2025	2450	Northwest Pipe Fittin	2005 · Accounts Payab	40721	7,821.65			158,732.01
06/04/2025	2451	Office Equipment Co.	2005 · Accounts Payab	HCWD08	233.66			158,498.35
06/04/2025	2452	Rob Moog	2005 · Accounts Payab	VOID:		х		158,498.35
06/04/2025	2453	Roosevelt Service Inc	2005 · Accounts Payab		156.33			158,342.02
06/04/2025	2454	Shane Borlaug	2005 · Accounts Payab	VOID:		х		158,342.02
06/04/2025	2455	Tilleman Motor Co	2005 · Accounts Payab		728.25			157,613.77
06/04/2025	2456	Tina Wood	2005 · Accounts Payab		80.00			157,533.77
06/04/2025	2457	Verizon Wireless	2005 · Accounts Payab		327.86			157,205.91
06/04/2025	2458	Western Lumber & S	2005 · Accounts Payab		279.99			156,925.92