MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE PROJECT 7 WATER AUTHORITY

March 26, 2026

The annual meeting of the Board of Directors of the Project 7 Water Authority was held March 26, 2026 in the conference room of the Project 7 Treatment Plant site, Montrose, Colorado.

Directors Present:
Jake Foreman
Vicki Ripp
Randy Meaker
David Bries
Kevin Carlson
Matt Miles

Others Present:
Adam Turner
Gail Marvel
Rick Huggins
Rick Hill
Miles Graham
Leroy Foreman
Tessa Scharf
Patti Hill
Keith Laube
Kathy Calkin
Adam Suppes
Scott Murphy
John McMillan
Doug Glaspell
Jerry Young
Wayne Schieldt
Jay Thoe
Greg Sunder
Ron White
(Remote-Mavis Fitzgerald, Tim Flynn, Greg Swartz)

Chairman Jake Foreman called the Annual March 26, 2026 meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

Following roll call, a quorum was declared present. Mr. Ron White was introduced to the Board as Mr. Kevin Carlson's replacement for the City of Delta.

January Minutes
Following review of the minutes, Mrs. Vicki Ripp moved to accept the January 22, 2026 minutes as presented. Motion was seconded by Mr. David Bries and passed unanimously.

Changes to the Agenda
There were no changes to the agenda

Chairman Jake Foreman directed that Proof of Publication of the Annual Meeting from the Montrose Daily Press, Delta County Independent and the Ouray Newspaper be reflected in the minutes.

Chairman Jake Foreman asked if there was any Public Comment.
There was none.

2025 Annual Water Quality Report
Manager Turner reviewed the 2025 Annual Water Quality Report and discussed items of interest. He said the Annual Report included Lead and Copper sample results, process control data for the 2025 year and 5 year average (2019-2025), water purchase record, Inorganics, Organics and disinfection by-products. He asked the Board to look it over and let him know if they had any questions.

Mr. Matt Miles asked how long had Manager Turner had the information that was included in the Annual Report and when was it compiled. Manager Turner said that Fred Waldman and Tessa Scharf gathered information from all the Entities, outside lab results and yearlong data and the report was put together for the Boards use a few days before the Board Meeting. Mr. Miles asked that the Annual report and any other materials that were to be discussed at future Board Meetings be e-mailed out to the Board in the board packet the week before the meeting.

Consumption Report
Consumption Reports for Feb 2026 were reviewed and usage was 5M gallons ahead of 2025.

Cash Flow Report
The Manager discussed the Feb 2026 Cash Flow and said that the Capital Investment income was being set aside in Colo Trust for debt service.

Process Control Report
The Process Control Reports for Feb 2026 were reviewed.

Updates
Managers Report/Update handout: Manager Turner discussed the sanitary survey, water levels at Blue Mesa, Ridgway, Silver Jack, and Taylor, work on the CCRs, 2025 Audit and Fairview Dam evaluation.

Chairman Foreman asked if water rationing would be an issue. Manager Turner said Project 7 is a priority with UVWA and that all the 6 entities would get the water they needed. But if water rationing was needed that each entity would be responsible to enforce that with their own customers.

Chairman Foreman directed the minutes reflect acceptance of the Manager's Reports.

Legal Update
Mr. Tim Flynn filling in for James Silvestro and had nothing to report.

Technical Advisory Group
Mr. Miles Graham said TAG meetings started in February 2026 at the Boards direction at the January 2026 Board Meeting to identify a short list of projects that strengthen drinking water across the Uncompahgre Valley benefiting all project 7 member entities. The group is composed of senior operation staff and representatives from all six entities with the purpose of being an advisory group contributing shared ideas.

Mr. Rick Huggins gave the executive summary reviewing what TAG had covered in the three meetings held in February and March. Risks facing the P7WA system were structured using a probability vs impact framework. The group reached a consensus prioritized on six focus areas: Existing Plant; modernization and upgrades. Updating the regional hydraulic model, and interconnects, and to develop an Emergency Operations Plan. Alternative Raw Water Supply to existing plant (Cerro and Cedar Creek and UVWUA canal). A multi-bucket distributed treatment approach by evaluating a 2 MGD facility near Ridgway and a 4 MGD emergency plant for Montrose/Chipeta/Menoken. With a separate assessment of Delta’s and Olathe’s transmission and treatment. Level of Service Definitions. And to re-evaluate the original Resiliency program WTP in its most cost reduced form.

Mr. Huggins asked the Board to advise the TAG group on how to proceed. A facility master plan was proposed as a priority project with a potential proposal to be presented to the Board in April. Mr. Matt Miles suggested the TAG group coming up with a scope and working on recommendations for a RFQ/RFP. The Board discussed the importance of understanding the magnitude of work required before deciding to continue with HDR or seek proposals from other contractors.

Mrs. Vicki Ripp requested that any material used for board presentations be sent out prior to the Board meeting so that they could have time to review it.

Old Business
Jones/Delgado easement. Mrs. Vicki Ripp made a motion to purchase the easement from the Jones/Delgado Families for $8100.00. Mr. Randy Meaker seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

New Business
Chipeta Proposal for Additional Audit. Mr. Matt Miles requested an in-depth audit to reconstruct what was spent on the Resiliency Project. Mr. Greg Swartz explained that the new CFO would create a new chart of accounts to categorize capital expenses related to the resiliency project.

Election of Officers: Mr. Randy Meaker nominated Mrs. Vicki Ripp for Chairman. Chairman Jake Foreman asked if there were any other nominations, there were none.
Mrs. Vicki Ripp nominated Randy Meaker for Vice Chairman. Chairman Jake Foreman asked if there were any other nominations, there were none.
Chairman Foreman nominated Mr. David Bries as Secretary/Treasurer. Chairman Foreman asked if there were any other nominations, there were none.

Adjourn
They're being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:50 p.m.

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Chairman

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Secretary