

Hoback Junction Water and Sewer District (HJWSD)

Regular Meeting

October 8, 2025

1:30 PM

Board Members Present

Bob Frodeman, Chair

Chris Jaubert, Vice Chair

Marty Camino, Treasurer

Daniel Oas, Secretary

Colin Lovestad

Meeting Minutes

1. Call to Order and Approval of Minutes

Bob Frodeman, Chair of HJSWD, called the meeting to order. The minutes from the previous meeting were presented. Marty Camino, Treasurer of HJWSD, moved to approve the minutes. Chris Jaubert, Vice Chair of HJWSD, seconded, and the motion carried unanimously.

2. Chair Report

a. Byron Appraisal Plans

The board reviewed the Byron property appraisal and easement agreement.

- The initial offer of \$150,000 contrasted with a recent appraisal of \$88,000, leaving the District responsible for the delta.
- Discussion centered on whether to seek renegotiation given the gap between valuation and offer.
- Some members supported revisiting the price to align more closely with the appraisal, while others preferred to honor the prior agreement to maintain goodwill and avoid legal or procedural delays.
- The board agreed to honor the payment of \$150,000.

b. Wastewater Study Plans

The board discussed pursuing a wastewater study for Hoback to assess system conditions, alternatives, and cost estimates.

- The HJWSD District currently has \$25,000 in private funding and will seek \$25,000 in matching funds from the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), for a total potential of \$50,000.
- The board noted that the study will provide a critical snapshot of Hoback's wastewater challenges, even if the funding level limits the depth of analysis.
- Dan will complete the Water Quality Advisory Board (WQAB) application for the study, and Bob will present the funding request to the BCC on November 18.
- The board acknowledged Chairman Newcomb's intent to review both the Wilson Sewer District proposal (\$3 million) and Hoback's wastewater study proposal prior to a December decision.

c. WWDC Meeting – November 5th, Casper

The board confirmed attendance for the upcoming Wyoming Water Development Commission (WWDC) meeting:

- Dan will attend in person in Casper.
- Bob will participate via Zoom.
Both will represent the District, along with Heather Overholser and Chris Peltz from the County, in discussions relevant to the wastewater study and ongoing funding opportunities.

3. Treasurer's Report

a. Budget Amendment

Marty reported on the District's current financial position and upcoming adjustments:

- The board anticipates increased revenue from tax disbursements and the WWDC allocation.
- The board approved acceptance of \$10,000 in additional support from the Teton Conservation District.
- A budget amendment will be prepared and presented in Q1 2026, once the full flow of funds through the District is clarified.
- Marty was commended for her management of financial operations and will continue coordinating payment requests.
- The board discussed engaging Wade as the District's official accountant at a future date once budget adjustments are finalized.

4. Other Business

- The board confirmed attendance at the design meeting with Larry Mallow on October 24.

Meeting adjourned