

Franklin County RWD #1  
Regular Monthly Board Meeting Minutes

February 17, 2026

Board Members Present: Jason Killian, Ted Stoneking, Gary Clark, Brad O'Dea, Garrett Taylor, Larry Endecott, Dawn Rumford, Kim Tucker, Tom Wilson

Visitors: Rick and Sherry Roberts, Carrie, Maggie, and Levi Wilson

**CALL TO ORDER:**

Chairman Endecott called the meeting to order at 6:48 PM at the water district office.

Dawn moved and Garrett seconded that the board go into executive session for 20 minutes to discuss benefit unit transfer billing policies. The motion carried and started at 6:50 PM. The board returned from executive session at 7:10 PM.

**1. NEW BUSINESS – BENEFIT UNIT #0450:**

Rick Roberts owns the property that benefit unit #0450 is associated with. The benefit unit was not properly transferred during his real estate closing transaction. At the time of closing, the water meter was locked off because of an outstanding bill. The by-laws state that if a bill is unpaid and a new owner takes possession, the new owner is responsible for the past due bill. This is a process that should be handled during the title transaction. Rick noted that his title company was unaware of the need to transfer the benefit unit to the water district and did not attempt to contact the water district. He requested that the water district proactively reach out to as many title companies as possible regarding properties in our service area. He also requested an exception to our by-laws that would give him a discount on the past due bill. Dawn moved that the new owner or #0450 would remain responsible for the entire past due bill per policy. Jason seconded. Brad opposed. The motion passed.

Dawn motioned that Tom and Kim check with legal regarding using the county for collections efforts. Brad seconded. The motion carried.

**2. APPROVAL OF JANUARY MINUTES:**

Garrett motioned the minutes be accepted as presented. Dawn seconded. The

motion passed.

3. OPERATOR'S REPORT:

Tom reviewed the activities he worked on for the month. Monthly sampling for KDHE was completed without incident. Several leaks were found and repaired. Three meters damaged during the cold weather were replaced. The K-DOT K-33 project continued. Several map updates were made.

4. BOOKKEEPER'S REPORT:

Kim reviewed the January financials as well as the bills to pay. Garrett motioned to approve the report and pay the bills. Jason seconded. The motion carried.

5. OLD BUSINESS:

The board directed Tom to consult with legal regarding customers over-paying their bill and if that posed any legal risk to the district.

Garrett motioned that the district moves forward with a \$100,000 budget to remove the existing shop in LeLoup and replace it with a new foundation and building. Jason seconded. The motion carried.

6. NEW BUSINESS:

Dawn moved and Garrett seconded to approve benefit unit transfer #0534. The motion passed.

Garrett motioned and Dawn seconded that the water district attend the KWEA and KRWA meetings in April. The motion passed.

Dawn motioned and Garrett seconded that Tom and Kim be the delegates for the water district at the KWEA and KRWA meetings. The motion passed.

The board set a deadline for this year that the 2027 budget be internally approved before the December meeting.

Garrett moved and Dawn seconded that the application for 4108 Thomas Rd in Wellsville be approved. The motion passed.

Garrett moved and Dawn seconded that the extension policy be used to service 4827 Oregon Rd in Wellsville. The motion passed.

Officer Elections. Garrett moved that Larry Endecott be the Chairman, Jason Killian be the Vice Chairman, Dawn Rumford be the Treasurer, and Garrett Taylor be the Secretary. Jason seconded. The motion passed.

7. ADJOURNMENT:

Dawn moved and Ted seconded the meeting be adjourned at 8:45 PM. The motion passed.