

THE MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MONTHLY BOARD MEETING OF L. A. WATER COOPERATIVE HELD August 28, 2025, AT THE GASTON FIRE HALL.

Board Members Present: Amber Morgan, Ted Leach, Linda Fountain, Dave McAdams, Terry Wymore, Joe Kuran, Joel Mulkey, and Mike Grivas

Board Members Absent:

Staff Present:, Jason Bayne, Kylie McDermott

Guest Present: Craig and Pamela Anderson and Larry

This meeting of the L. A. Water Cooperative was called to order at 5:59 PM by Amber Morgan, Chairperson and President.

Regular Business

Secretary's Report: The minutes of the July 2025 meeting were presented in writing.

Motion to approve by Dave McAdams. Seconded by Ted Leach. Voted and passed.

Treasurer's Report: July financials were presented.

Motion to approve Linda Fountain. Seconded Ted Leach. Voted and passed.

Business Manager's Report presented in writing.

Motion to approve by Joel Mulkey. Seconded by Dave McAdams. Voted and passed.

Operation Manager's Reports presented in writing.

Motion to approve by Ted Leach. Seconded by Joe Kuran. Voted and passed.

Old Business

1. Construction Updates
 - Cunningham: Luke Lappin, the engineer, has prepared final plans and submitted them to OHA for signing off on the project. All that is left is installing a gate and the project will be completed.
 - Bald Peak: Still in progress. Jason Bayne and Matt Jackson are currently working on this project to get it ready for concrete.
2. Water Loss

Water loss is at 22%. Jason Bayne was asked to provide a comparison of other rural water systems at the next board meeting.
3. Shut off past due account update.

No update at this time.

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4. Easement update.
Jason Bayne has not yet heard back from our lawyers on this matter. Jason Bayne will reach out for an update.
5. Update on Policy for Transfer Certificate in event of Member Death.
The certificates are all signed and ready for the members to pick up.
6. Recording Meetings
Kylie McDermott upgraded the Google subscription to include recording on Google Meet. This meeting was recorded for note taking purposes. The decision to keep the upgrade will be made at the next board meeting.

New Business

1. Treasurer's Proposal is to transfer 50,000 from Heritage to Umpqua and to invest 210,000 proceeds of Beal CD coming due in September plus most of the cash in Cetera flex into a TB or CD coming due in April/May 2026
Motion to approve Treasurer's Proposal by Ted Leach. Seconded by Terry Wymore. Voted and passed.
2. Board Book
Kylie McDermott is going to put together a shared Google documents folder with items that were previously in the physical Board Book. The folder needs to only be viewable to board members. Jason Bayne will send a link to a viewable version of Diamond Maps.
3. Certificate transfer process
4.
Motion to approve using Docusign for new member signatures by Dave McAdams. Seconded by Michael Grivas. Voted and passed.
5. Verizon office phone
Verizon provided a quote on voice over internet phone system. Joel Mulkey recommends looking into additional options. Kylie McDermott will meet with Mike Grivas and Joel Mulkey to discuss voice over internet phone options.
6. A member on Copenhaver Road had damage to his water heater due to a water hammer. Kylie McDermott to reach out to request an itemized list of damaged items for recordkeeping purposes and will credit the bill to reflect the regular monthly water usage.
7. New certificate applications
Motion to approve 35264 SW Bald Peak by Ted Leach. Seconded by Dave McAdams. Voted and passed.
Motion to approve 26695 Highway 46 and 0 Laughlin Lane by Ted Leach. Seconded by Dave McAdams.
Two applications on Lambert lane. Jason Bayne to look into an easement to install a waterline up Lambert lane in order to add 6 new services to the homes on Lambert lane. Kylie McDermott to do door hangers to remaining homes on Lambert Lane that have not yet submitted an application. The current applications are not approved until an easement can be procured.

8. Vac trailer proposal

Motion to authorize the purchase of a hydrovac excavator trailer up to \$40,000.

The trailer can be either new or used in turn key operational condition. Motion by Dave McAdams. Seconded by Joel Mulkey. Voted and passed.

**Motion to adjourn by Linda Fountain. Seconded by Dave McAdams. Voted and passed.
Meeting Adjourned at 8:25 PM**