



Flathead Reservation Water Management Board

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Wednesday April 30, 2025 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

In-person: 400 Main Street Southwest, Ronan, MT

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/94490480962>

Join by Phone: +1 (669) 444-9171 | Webinar ID: 944 9048 0962

Amendments Made in Blue

1. Call to Order (FRWMB Chair)

1.1. Opening Prayer

1.2. Announce meeting minutes: <https://www.frwmb.gov>

1.3. Attendance **Absent:** Roger Noble **Attending via Zoom:** George McLeod

1.4. Disclose any potential conflicts of interest **None**

1.5. Board adoption of meeting minutes from 03-27-2025 and 04-17-2025

03-27-2025 Motion Ken 2nd Georgia Approved with 4 Yes Votes

04-17-2025 Motion Georgia 2nd George Approved with 3 Yes Votes

1.6. Adopt Agenda Amended Motion by George 2nd by Ken Approved with 4 Yes Votes

2. Public Comment (for items not on the agenda) **None**

3. Board Business

3.1. Board Committee Compensation for February 2025

3.1.1. Discussion

3.1.2. Public Comment

3.1.3. Board Action on Board Committee Compensation for February 2025

3.2. Board Compensation for March 2025

3.2.1. Discussion

3.2.2. Public Comment

3.2.3. Board Action on Board Compensation for March 2025 Motion George 2nd Georgia Approved with 4 Yes Votes

3.3. Board Committee Compensation for March 2025

3.3.1. Discussion

3.3.2. Public Comment

3.3.3. Board Action on Board Committee Compensation for March 2025 Motion Ken 2nd George Approved with 4 Yes Votes

3.4. State-based Registrations Received at the Board's Helena Office

4. Funding Agreements with the State and the Tribes

4.1. Discussion

4.2. Public Comment

4.3. Board action on Funding Agreements with ~~the State and~~ the Tribes Motion Ken 2nd Georgia Approved with 4 Yes Votes

4.4. Board action on Funding Agreements with the State Motion Georgia 2nd Ken Approved with 4 Yes Votes

5. IT Enhanced Security Updates with First Call

5.1. Discussion

5.2. Board Action: IT Enhanced Security Updates Motion Georgia 2nd George Approved with 4 Yes Votes

6. Office of the Water Engineer (Water Engineer)

6.1. Office Updates with Water Rights & Traffic Reports

- 6.2. Water Rights Information System (WRIS) Updates
- 7. Office Building Project Planning – Architect Firm Selection – Tabled for Next Meeting**
 - 7.1. Discussion
 - 7.2. Public Comment
 - 7.3. Board Action: Selection of Architect Firm**
- 8. WP&Ps: Hearings/Appeal Case Records – Public Requests and Record Retention**
 - 8.1.1. Discussion [15-day public comment period ended – no comments received]
 - 8.1.2. Public Comment
 - 8.1.3. **Board Action: Adopt WP&Ps** Motion Ken 2nd Georgia Approved with 4 Yes Votes
- 9. Office of the Engineer Personnel Policies Tabled for Next Meeting**
 - 9.1. Discussion [15-day public comment period ended – no comments received]
 - 9.2. Physical Fitness Leave (Board Member Smies)
 - 9.3. Infectious Disease in the Workplace (Water Engineer)
 - 9.4. Public Comment
 - 9.5. Board Action: Adopt Personnel Policies**
- 10. Announce Next Meetings:**
 - 10.1. May 14 (9 to 1)
 - 10.2. June 4th (9 to 1)
 - 10.3. Water Right Scenario Meeting?
 - 10.4. Board Public Meeting Training?
- 11. End Public Meeting (FRWMB Chair)**
- 1. Call to Order Executive Session (FRWMB Chair)¹**
 - 1.1. Discussion of Private Personnel Matters
 - 1.2. Discussion of Litigation Strategy
- 2. End Executive Session (FRWMB Chair)**

¹ This portion is closed to the public pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. §2-3-203(3), as the demands for privacy to discuss litigation strategy and/or personnel matters clearly exceed the merits of public disclosure. Pursuant to Mont. Code Ann. §2-3-203(4)(b), discussion of such strategy and/or personnel matters in an open meeting would have a detrimental effect on the operations of the Board. Board legal counsel will be present.