



Flathead Reservation Water Management Board

DRAFT Meeting Minutes

Thursday August 14, 2025 12:00 PM – 5:00 PM

PUBLIC PORTION STARTS @ 1:00 PM

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

Zoom: <https://zoom.us/j/97152538088>

Join by Phone: +1 (669) 444-9171 | Webinar ID: 971 5253 8088

1. **12:00 PM: Call to Order Executive Session Closed to the Public (FRWMB Chair)¹**

1.1. Discussion of Private Personnel Matters

1.2. Discussion of Litigation Strategy

2. **End Executive Session (FRWMB Chair)**

Amendments Made in Blue

1. **1:00 PM: Call to Order Public Portion of Meeting (FRWMB Chair)**

1.1. Adopt Agenda Amended to exclude 6.2 Motion: Roger 2nd: Georgia Approved with 5 yes votes

1.2. Opening Prayer

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

1.4. Attendance None Absent

1.5. Disclose any potential conflicts of interest None

1.6. Board adoption of meeting minutes from 07-31-2025 Motion: George 2nd: Georgia Approved with 4 yes votes; Ken Pitt abstained

2. **Public Comment** (for items not on the agenda or non-action agenda items) None

3. **Water Policy and Procedures** (Water Engineer, Counsel, Staff)

3.1. WP&P Permit and Change Workgroup Announcement

3.2. WP&P Adoption Update

3.3. WP&P 21-106, 107, &108 [State-based Registrations]

3.3.1. Discussion

3.3.2. Public Comment

3.3.3. Potential Board Action: Approve WP&P 21-106, 107, & 108 for 15-day public comment
Tabled until WP&P 21-107 is ready for public comment

4. **Budget** (Finance Director)

4.1. FRWMB Third Quarter Budget Report

4.2. Discussion

4.3. Board Consensus to Submit the Budget Report to Compact Parties Consensus was reached

5. **Board Business**

5.1. Board Committee Compensation for July 2025

5.1.1. Discussion

5.1.2. Public Comment

5.1.3. Potential Board Action: Approve Board Committee Compensation for July 2025 Motion: Ken 2nd: George Approved with 5 yes votes

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.

5.2. Board Compensation for July 2025

5.2.1. Discussion

5.2.2. Public Comment

5.2.3. **Potential Board Action: Approve Board Compensation for July 2025** Motion: Georgia 2nd:
Roger Approved with 5 yes vote

6. Office of the Engineer Personnel Policies

1.1. Discussion of PTO (Finance Director)

1.2. Discussion of Personal Vehicle Use (Vice Chairman)

7. Office Building Project Planning Updates (Water Engineer & Building Committee)

7.1. Update: LOCI Contract

7.2. Staff Questionnaire

7.3. Update: August 12, Vision Meeting and Office Visit to OE

7.4. Upcoming: Date TBD, LOCI virtual presentation on Building Program and Vision

7.5. Upcoming: Week of 9/22, LOCI presentation of Facility Concepts, Cost Estimate, Rendering, and Final Program

8. Office of the Water Engineer (Water Engineer/Staff)

8.1. Office Updates with Water Rights & Traffic Reports

8.2. Staffing Updates

8.2.1. Lots of Onboarding, Orientating, and Project Work

8.2.2. CSKT Intern Steven Statham started Tuesday Aug 5th intro to come

8.3. Water Rights Information System (WRIS) Updates

8.3.1. Progress Report

8.3.2. Pending Items Causing some Delays in Issuances

8.4. AgriMet Station Coordination w/ CITT

8.5. FSCW Issuance and Engineer's Order

8.6. New Development Domestic Allowance meetings/applications

8.7. Registration Procedures Moving Forward

9. Announce Next Meetings:

9.1. Board Meeting: Aug 28th

9.2. Board Meeting: **Sept ?** September 9th, 2025

9.3. Board Field Trip: **Sept 8, 9, or 10** September 8th, 2025

10. End Public Meeting (FRWMB Chair)

