

# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

## OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF TURKEY CREEK REGIONAL SEWER DISTRICT

The Board of Trustees of the Turkey Creek Regional Sewer District met in the office of said District, 4852 North 1200 West, Cromwell, IN, on December 15, 2025. Such meeting pursuant to annual notice in accordance with the rules of the Board of Trustees and I.C. 5-14-1.5.

President Boone read the following: Public comments or questions will be addressed during the "General Public Business" section of tonight's agenda. Therefore, if anyone has a comment to present which has not already been presented, or a question to ask which has not previously been asked, please do so when acknowledged by the Board. State your name and address, and you will be allowed two (2) minutes for your comment or discussion of your question.

President Boone called for the roll call of members of the Board Shown to be present or absent:

<u>PRESENT</u>	Jim Boone	Bob Dumford	Dan Mikolajczak
	Brad Fishburn	James Young	Rick Paloian
<u>ABSENT</u>	Don Dewitt		

Also present were Andy Boxberger of Carson, LLP, Jeff Hersha & Mike Harkness of Jones & Henry Engineers, LTD, Karen and Michael Williams of MicroByte, Shannon McLeod of Baker Tilly Office Manager Emily Delorey, and Superintendent Timothy Woodward.

### Approval of Minutes:

President Boone verified that the Board had copies of the minutes from the November 17, 2025 meeting. After review, a date correction for the approval of the previous month's minutes, and the correct spelling of the word "impeller" the motion to approve was made by Board Member Mikolajczak and seconded by Board Member Young and passed.

### Approval of Claims:

The December Claims list was presented and reviewed. Office Manager Emily Delorey stated that she was working with Superintendent Tim Woodward on lowering the cost of certain vendors. Specifically mentioning reviewing Verizon and other utility bills as well as invoices from CF Environmental. Delorey stated she wanted to make sure all utility bills for the District were accurate. After review, the motion to approve the December Claims List as presented was made by Vice President Dumford and seconded by Board Member Paloian and passed.

### Report of Officers:

There were no officer reports.

### Reports of Committees, Consulting Engineers, Attorneys, and/or Superintendent:

Andy Boxberger of Carson LLP presented 2025-12-1 Amended and Restated 2026 Wage and Salary Ordinance. Boxberger stated the amendment was to correct employees listed in the Alliance Apprenticeship. Boxberger noted that Ryan Cramer had been added to the water portion of the Alliance Apprenticeship program. A motion to approve Ordinance 2025-12-1 was made by Dumford, seconded by Young, and passed.

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Shannon McLeod of Baker Tilly presented Resolution to Borrow which is related to the Water Utility Improvements Project. McLeod stated that on December 16, 2025 the Kosciusko County Commissioners planned to sign a resolution to submit the OCRA (Office of Community and Rural Affairs) application and local match. The local match would be supplied by Turkey Creek Regional Sewer District through the SRF (State Revolving Fund) loan. McLeod added that the District were required to submit a letter to the County Commissioners Office and pass this resolution first and provide it to the Commissioners. A motion to approve the Resolution to Borrow was made by Young and seconded by Mikolajczak and passed.

Jeff Hersha of Jones and Henry Engineers provided an update to the Water Utility Improvement Project. Hersha stated work was being done to obtain right of way access, and the goal throughout the project is to drill horizontally as much as possible. Hersha added that Mike Harkness of Jones and Henry is working with John Magsam and installers during the project. Hersha expects to see challenges with the machines and drilling close to the current water and sewer pipes and believes a hybrid of horizontal and open cut drilling will be the best way to prevent lines from being hit. Hersha explained that he is scheduling multiple meetings with various contractors to get their point of view and suggestions regarding the drilling. Hersha and Boxberger expressed their confusion on deadlines between the SRF timeline and the OCRA timeline.

Hersha added that Jones & Henry's senior engineers were working on this project and is confident. Adding that he is also working on improvements for Enchanted Hills in hopes of the District obtaining the OCRA grant.

Hersha continued by summarizing the plans for the Buttermilk Lift Station and why improvements are needed. Hersha stated the goal is to move the Lift Station away from the lake, increase its size and remove the need for the Sunset Lift Station. Hersha also added that if any new construction were done in the area, the improved Lift Station would be able to accommodate. The plans for the Buttermilk Lift Station upgrade were created in 2024.

Woodward added that the Buttermilk Lift Station was installed in 1985 and upgrades are needed. Woodward also noted this would assist the Marineland Lift Station as well.

Board Members discussed a nearby RV lot and that the RVs will be required to hook to the District's lines. Woodward noted that he has been attempting to make contact with the owner of the RV lot, however he has not been successful. Boxberger stated that the residents of the RV lot would be financially responsible in connecting to the lines. Woodward added that financially it would be more cost-effective for the RV park.

Hersha also added that the larger Buttermilk List Station would allow homeowners on Papakeechie and Hiawatha to connect as well.

Woodward thanked Board Members for attending the Christmas Party and plans for the 2026 Christmas party to be held on the second Saturday of December at the Oakwood Hotel.

Woodward then presented construction plans provided by Shrock Construction who plans to perform seawall improvements on Treasure Island. A line in the area was previously hit in 2024. Woodward explained that Reeds Dock is requesting the work. Shrock Construction plans to use an 80-ton truck to move materials; the truck would be driving over active sewer lines, and the area has very poor soil conditions. Shrock Construction provided plans to construct temporary bridges over the sewer lines to help spread out the weight of the truck. Woodward stated he has spoken with the Highway Department, and the road will be blocked off during construction and any damage to the road must be repaired by Shrock Construction. Boxberger noted that, in the

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construction plans, a sewer line runs under the road, and he would contact the highway department as well. Woodward added the Shrock Construction is willing to work with the District but did not perform the soil boring that Woodward and Hersha recommended. Board Members expressed deep concern over the pipe breaking during a holiday, how damages would be repaired and the cost of repairing any damages to homes the connect to that line. Also expressing concern of the cost for any repairs and how homeowners may be affected if the line were to break. Woodward suggested adding another bridge where the line runs under the road to help spread the weight. Boxberger also suggested that once the construction is completed, Shrock Construction run a camera through the line to check for any damage. Board Members continued to express their concern over an oversized truck driving over the lines, where the materials are to be dumped, damage done to the line and agreed that no permission to start the work has been obtained. Wooward and Delorey shared what they interpreted was the purpose of the construction based off of an in-office meeting with Shrock Construction. Delorey believed the purpose was to repair the seawall and install new boat slips. Board Members expressed concern over the quantity of slips and if this would lead to funneling in the channel.

Hersha expressed concern about what work was being done on the channel and whether the proper permits had been obtained through the DNR. Expressing concern about whether excavation or dredging was being done.

Boxberger and Woodward agreed that an agreement with Shrock Construction would need to be done in writing. Boone suggested having Shrock Construction attend a meeting with Board Members to discuss the work and share concerns. Young suggested that the District and/or Boxberger obtain copies of permits Shrock Constructions have applied for regarding the project. Board Members also suggested contacting the Districts insurer to gather insurance information if damage to the line were to occur. Mikolajczak questioned what Shrock Construction planned to do with the "muck" that was removed from the channel. Woodward also restated that he suggested soil-boring be done in the area, to which Shrock Construction has refused to his knowledge.

Woodward continued that he would get in contact with Shrock Construction to set up an in-person meeting with Board Members, Engineers and other necessary parties to create a more accurate plan.

### New Business:

There was no unfinished business.

### General Public Business:

Lilli Dwyer with The Paper asked for clarification as to what work Shrock Construction was doing, to which Boxberger stated that it was unclear.

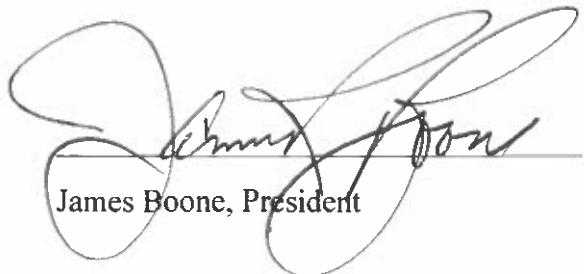
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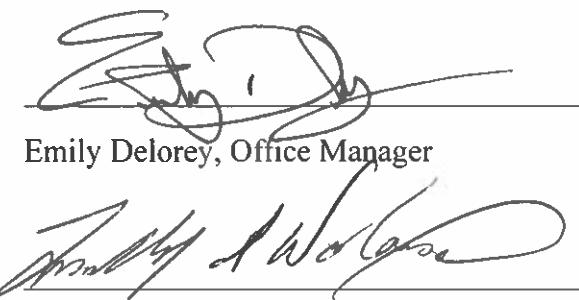
### Adjournment:

There being no further business, a motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Mikolajczak and seconded by Young and passed. The meeting adjourned at 8:13 p.m.

Dated January 9, 2026



James Boone, President



Emily Delorey, Office Manager



Timothy S. Woodward