

Tridell-Lapoint Water Improvement District
Board of Trustees Meeting
April 13, 2026

Minutes of the Tridell-Lapoint Water Improvement District Board of Trustees meeting held April 13, 2026 at the Tridell-Lapoint Water Improvement District Office.

Those in attendance were Chairman: Troy Hartle. Trustees: Thane Goodrich, Scott Williams, Amber Allred, and Tyler McKee arriving late; Employees: Marcus Perry, Dan Huber, and Brandy McKee. James Israelson, Aaron Averett, and Kurtis Shawcroft from Sunrise Engineering, and Isaac Hatch from the public.

The Chairman called the meeting to order at 6:35 pm.

Thane reviewed finances and signed checks. Everything looks good.

Amber motioned to approve the meeting minutes from March 9th board meeting. Scott seconded. Motion carried.

Public Input:

Isaac offered to put in meter 518. Marcus and Dan told Isaac to mark out where he wants the meter. Isaac will put in a hydrant and T and cap the T.

Discussion of exchange situation.

Marcus and Dan told the board of the happenings when the exchange went down. Information was shared that Whiterocks wasn't going to fix the exchange. Whiterocks sent out allotments even though the exchange isn't working. River commissioner told Marcus that he had to satisfy the stock water first but that is out of order. Culinary water has first right. Marcus has requested a surface layer be put on GIS to show Tribal lands. Isaac shared how he was treated when he started and how he pushed back. There was discussion of options such as condemning water, talk to Andrew Dudson, state engineer (River commissioner's boss). Culinary is better and higher use than stock water. Question was asked where water is coming from now. Tyler has been talking to Whiterocks.

Marcus needs to contact Andrew Dudson regarding situation. Request he attend the next meeting and explain to us how this situation came to place. James forwarded Andrew's number to Marcus. Board does not know how Whiterocks knows that we have been talking about finding a way to pump the water from M&S to the plant.

Isaac asked what damage is, and what it would take to fix exchange. Aaron asked if anyone has talked to William Merkley, as water conservancy district.

Aaron reached out to William regarding what is the water situation. William's answer was, "He would purchase 100 acre feet, if situation approves sell excess back to irrigators, snatched up in a hurry. Between 2 high mtn lakes 1500 af right now." Not much water, those numbers are horrible.

a contractor has been lined up to fix but Aaron didn't know the timeline. Telemetry is not working, fixing it is Whiterock's responsibility not Tridell-Lapoint Water Improvement District's.

Discussion of Mosby Water purchase.

Topic was discussed last month but not vote taken. District was waiting to hear what allocation would be. Discussion of if the 50 af that previously decided would be enough with low moisture numbers. We are allowed up to 200 acre feet. .3af, 204 water shares = 240.75af. Last year we used 296.25 on allotment. There is 350 in M&S making total about 560-580 af for year if we can get it. Right now we are being told we won't be able to get our water. Mosby purchase usually requires us to use it first. If we purchase water exchange will have to be fixed. Discussion went back to exchange. Discussion of what if there actually isn't water to use, or if we don't need what we purchase what are our options. May 1st to contact Mosby, and can only be done as 1 purchase.

Belief is that many of our customers see the signs and will naturally conserve.

Isaac suggests reach out to schools, parks, churches, and cemeteries, keep it alive but not green.

Discussion of Rate Study updates.

Marcus asked if everyone has had a chance to play with the tool Sunrise sent. Board was polled regarding opinion on raising rates. All agreed raising rates right now doesn't feel good but it is necessary for the company. Suggestion that raise base this year, then next year increase % wise. Narrative of how long we have kept rates low and haven't raised them yet consistently deliver water. Educate public. Isaac shared results of a survey recently completed in a neighboring district; give us an allotment then charge us for anything over the allotment. DDW is requiring a conservation rate cost policy for receiving funding.

Board agrees that they want to start with raising base by \$10 now, in January start tier system, then do calculations for next three years. Give as a 5 year plan.

Scott motioned to hold a budget hearing for rate increase May 18, 2026, to be held at Tridell Community Center at 6:30 pm. Amber seconded. Motion carried. Board meeting will follow.

Discussion of Master plan projects to pursue:

James from Sunrise presented Marcus with a binder of Master Plan Projects.

Marcus turned time to James. Sunrise based calculations on average 1% growth over last ten years.

ERCs currently 701 (equivalent residential connection) 543 connections 20 year projected ERCs is 883. Water right 1134.2 af, 600 af M&S, required right needed 492 = surplus of 946. Source capacity (based off river flow) of 11,000 gpm, required 600 gpm approximately =surplus of 10,500 approximately. Storage 1.3 million gallons; need 600,000 gallons = 700,000 gallon surplus.

Treatment train reaching capacity. Average of last 3 years peak months .8 million gallons per day. 1 million gallon per day train, recommend add another train to maintain redundancy. Peak last year was .95 million gallons per day. 1.4 million for materials. At capacity we could treat 2 million gallons per day. Need at least 1 new but 2 would be recommended. That would max out the treatment plant space. Building would take at least 5-6 months. Impact Fee funds can be used as match funds, or can be used to pay towards other loans.

Board asked lots of questions and discussed options as each item gone over.

Discussion of water restrictions.

Board discussed ways to conserve water, what water restrictions would look like, including how to enforce them.

Decision was to post notice requesting the public to please conserve water. Put on bills, facebook, website, etc and around town. Marcus will reach out to the schools to make the request. Isaac asked if we have a shutoff plan or something for a situation where there isn't enough supply to treat the demand.

Holiday Schedule.

Brandy presented the state and federal holiday schedules and noted the differences between the two. Thane motioned to follow the state holiday schedule for District employees; which includes 14 holidays. Scott seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion of State DTS Cybersecurity Protection for Local Governments.

Marcus presented about utilizing the Cybersecurity protection through Utah, no cost, yearly cyber security training.

Scott motioned to use Cybersecurity. Amber seconded. Motion carried.

Discussion of meter software companies.

Marcus spoke to the meter software issues he has had. Camstruck by HD Fowler has been reaching out daily. They have leak detection ability on main line, Marcus has requested quotes from him. Marcus suggests moving meter over to them. The current software does not like the really old meters, 80 had to be physically read. Duchesne has the Camstruck meters. Part of the quote is that a crew comes out and installs all the meters.

System O&M

- Billing issues –4 Installs already this year.
 - Board was asked to confirm how to handle the accounts with read discrepancies. Look at last accurate reading add the minimum or base rate to the last accurate reading and that is their bill. Anything over that the district would eat.
 - Account 126 asked who is responsible for bill when renters aren't paying.

- District received legal notice to stop communication and collection efforts against account 431. Some one needs to set up an account with state court system for possibly putting in a lien against a default account.
- Operational—
 - Meter issues: multiple accounts with discrepancy when meters were read.
 - DRC: Brandy advised the board that the district needs to have a DRC for legal operations. Ryan Goodrich has been the Direct Responsible Charge (DRC), Isaac has been in the process of getting that updated to himself. Isaac is not district manager, but is willing to help the district while Marcus gets his training and tenure to be DRC.
Thane motioned and Amber seconded for the Board to contract with Isaac Hatch to continue as DRC for Tridell-Lapoint Water Improvement District. He will attend board meetings and be readily available. He would be 1099 contractor paid a \$150 a month retainer fee. Motion carried.
- Infrastructure—
 - Office building updates: Question was asked if CIB is something the district wants to pursue for office remodel? Suggestion is to hold meetings at the community building, put in security upgrades at the office such as doors, windows, drop box, partitions if possible and put in a drain outside front door to lessen water inside.
- Water availability and usage to date –
- Goal Progress review
 - Logos: Marcus would like to get a good logo for the building.
 - Sign on building: Suggestions were given of people and places to reach out to for a new sign on building. TJs Productions in Vernal, Jim Atherton, and ask Ashley Valley Water who they used as they recently redid signage.

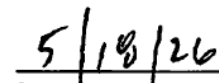
Thane motioned to adjourn at 9:18 p.m.



 Chairman



 Manager



 Date