



SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

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Paul Hughes, General Manager

Andrea Salazar, Chief Financial Officer

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT May 7, 2026 MINUTES

The South Tahoe Public Utility District Board of Directors met in a regular session, 2:00 p.m., at the District Office, located at 1275 Meadow Crest Drive, South Lake Tahoe, California.

ROLL CALL: Board of Directors: President Romsos, Directors Haven, Sheehan, Henderson and Exline
Staff: Paul Hughes, Andrea Salazar, Ryan Jones, Melonie Guttry, Shannon Chandler, Chris Stanley, Chris Skelly, Shelly Thomsen, Donielle Morse, Megan Colvey, Kilty Devine, Greg Dupree, Lauren Benefield, Mark Seelos, Trevor Coolidge, Ryan Lee, Adrian Combes, Cliff Bartlett, Brent Goligoski, Jennifer Marshall

Guests: Nate Alcorn, Alcon Construction

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
2. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None
3. **CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA OR CONSENT CALENDAR:** None
4. **ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Moved Haven/Second Sheehan/Haven Yes/Romsos Yes/Hendeson Yes/Sheehan Yes/Exline Yes
to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

a. NOVEMBER 3, 2026 CONSOLIDATED DISTRICTS ELECTIONS

(Melonie Guttry, Executive Services Manager/Board Clerk)

Adopted Resolution No. 3329-26 for El Dorado County declaring an election to be held in its jurisdiction, consolidated with other Districts requesting election services.

b. PARK AVENUE WATERLINE ENHANCEMENT PROJECT

(Brent Goligoski, Engineering Manager – Capital Projects)

1) Approved the proposed Scope of Work from Sierra Ecotone Solutions, LLC for environmental review services for the Park Avenue Waterline Enhancement Project; and 2) Authorized the General Manager to execute Task Order No. 33 under the Master Services Agreement with Sierra Ecotone Solutions, LLC in the amount of \$37,899 for professional consulting services to

complete pre-project environmental review and supporting technical studies for the Park Avenue Waterline Enhancement Project.

- c. **RECEIVE AND FILE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS** (Greg Dupree, Accounting Manager)
Received and filed Payment of Claims in the amount of \$2,959,559.02.

- d. **REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES: April 2 and April 16, 2026**
(Melonie Guttry, Executive Services Manager/Clerk of the Board)
Approved April 2 and April 16, 2026, Minutes.

5. **CONSENT ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION/ACTION:** None

6. **ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION:**

- a. Purchase of Three 2026 Chevrolet Battery Electric Pickup Trucks (Cliff Bartlett, Fleet/Equipment Supervisor) – **Cliff Bartlett** provided details regarding the purchasing of three 2026 Chevrolet battery electric pickup trucks and he and **Adrian Combes**, **Megan Colvey**, **Shelly Thomsen** and **Nate Alcorn** addressed questions from the Board. The District is trying to work with the current regulations while meeting District needs. **Danielle Morse** added that a fleet transition plan is needed to successfully apply for grant opportunities. **Kilty Devine** added that the District requires vendors to be CARB compliant to bid on District projects. **Chris Stanley** reminded the Board that the District has until the end of 2026 to be compliant with CARB. **Andrea Salazar** stated that it will take time to bring infrastructure to the District to support these vehicles.

By consensus, the Board directed staff to continue to evaluate options that meet the spirit of CARB regulations but also match the District's desires and functional use of vehicles to be used, and to bring back options to the Board closer to the end of the calendar year. In addition, the Board would like to move forward with a Fleet Transition Plan and define a scope that supports grant funding opportunities. The Board identified the System Efficiency Committee to review this direction and progress going forward.

- b. Sunset and Tanglewood Well Drilling (Mark Seelos, Water Resources Manager) – **Mark Seelos** provided details regarding Sunset and Tanglewood Well Drilling and addressed questions from the Board.

Moved Sheehan/Second Romsos/Haven Yes/Romsos Yes/Henderson Yes/Sheehan Yes/Exline Yes to (1) Adopt the Plans and Specifications for the Sunset and Tanglewood Well Drilling Project pursuant to Government Code 830.6; and (2) Authorize staff to advertise for construction bids for the Sunset and Tanglewood Well Drilling Project.

- c. 2026 Pioneer Trail Waterline Project (Trevor Coolidge, Senior Engineer) – **Trevor Coolidge** provided details regarding the 2026 Pioneer Trail Waterline Project (Trevor Coolidge, Senior Engineer) – **Trevor Coolidge** provided details regarding the 2026 Pioneer Trail Waterline Project and addressed questions from the Board. **Melonie Guttry** read comments into the record provided by **Nick Stefan** of Resource Development Company: "We maintain our stance on the matter that it would be in the best interest of both the District and the taxpayers to award Pioneer Trail to Resource Development Company, the lowest most responsive bidder. It is important to ensure the Board has a clear understanding of the cost and schedule impacts associated with

rebidding, as well as the value our bid provides as it was competitive, under budget and responsive.

Resource Development Company has a long-standing and positive working relationship with the District, and we value the opportunity to continue delivering successful projects. Given this history, rejecting a complete and responsive low bid introduces unnecessary risk and is inconsistent with the principles that typically guide the District and the integrity of the bidding process.”

Ryan Jones reported that the District is well within its legalities to reject all bids and rebid the project.

Moved Romsos/Second Sheehan/ Haven Yes/Romsos Yes/Hendeson Yes/Sheehan Yes/Exline

Yes to (1) Reject all bids received for the Pioneer Trail Waterline Project; (2) Reject the bid protests from Vinciguerra Construction, Inc. and Resource Development Company; (3) Adopt the 2026 Pioneer Trail Waterline – Rebid Project Design Plans and Specifications pursuant to Government Code 830.6; and (4) Authorize District staff to re-advertise for construction bids for the 2026 Pioneer Trail Waterline Project.

- d. City of South Lake Tahoe Reimbursement Agreement – 2026 Road Rehabilitation Project (Brent Goligoski, Engineering Manager – Capital Projects) – **Brent Goligoski** provided details regarding the City of South Lake Tahoe Reimbursement Agreement – 2026 Road Rehabilitation Project and addressed questions from the Board.

Moved Haven/Second Sheehan/Haven Yes/Romsos Yes/Hendeson Yes/Sheehan Yes/Exline

Yes to approve Reimbursement Agreement with the City of South Lake Tahoe for work performed on District facilities related to the City's 2026 Road Rehabilitation Project in an amount not to exceed \$255,281.25.

- e. Asphalt Patching and Trench Paving Services (Adrian Combes, Director of Operations) – **Adrian Combes** provided details regarding the Asphalt Patching and Trench Paving Services and addressed questions from the Board.

Moved Exline/Second Exline/Haven Yes/Romsos Yes/Hendeson Yes/Sheehan Yes/Exline Yes

to award the Asphalt Patching and Trench Paving Services project to the second-lowest responsive and responsible bidder, Alcon Construction & General Engineering, Inc., in the amount of \$332,125.

7. STANDING AND AD-HOC COMMITTEES AND LIAISON REPORTS:

Director Exline requested information regarding Liberty Energy Large customers.

President Romsos thanked staff for the Solar Ribbon Cutting Ceremony and reported that he participated in the Budget Workshop that same day at 11:30 a.m.

Director Haven reported that he will attend the El Dorado Water Agency meeting on May 13.

8. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

Directors Exline and **Sheehan** acknowledged the Solar Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

9. STAFF/ATTORNEY REPORTS:

Shelly Thomson provided details regarding her recent trip to Washington D.C. The District will receive \$2.1 million through the Tahoe Restoration Act and \$1.3 for the Glenwood Rancho Water Project.

10. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT:

Paul Hughes reported on several items:

- The District celebrated two staff on May 5 who are retiring **Mike Chieffo** and **Kyle Schrauben**
- A Press Release was submitted inviting the community to tour the Waste Water Treatment Plant on May 20 and the District has 30 people signed up.
- The District is set to provide a Budget and Capital Improvement Program presentation on May 21 including presentations from **Andrea Salazar**, **Megan Colvey** and **Adrian Combes**.
- A Press Release was submitted regarding the proposed Capital Improvement Program meeting.

11. NOTICE OF PAST AND FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS

12. BREAK AND ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: 3:19 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: 3:37 p.m.

- a. Pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(1) of the California Government code, Closed Session may be held for conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation: Yolo County Superior Court Case CV 2021-1686, Alpine County vs. South Tahoe Public Utility District; et al.

No reportable Board Action.

ADJOURNMENT: 3:38 p.m.



Melonie Guttery, Executive Services Manager/
Board Clerk
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Shane Romsos, Board President
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