



MATANUSKA-SUSITNA BOROUGH TALKEETNA SEWER & WATER BOARD

for
SERVICE AREA NO. 36

Andrew Haag, Chair
James Kellard

Jane Steere, Vice Chair

Ryan Sheldon
Vacant

MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING

Talkeetna Public Library
24645 Talkeetna Spur Road
Talkeetna, AK 99676

Microsoft Teams
Meeting ID: 219 084 064 569
Passcode: Rwkjk6

August 5, 2026
1:09pm-1:58pm

I. CALL TO ORDER

This regular meeting of the Talkeetna Sewer & Water Board for Service Area No. 36 was held on Wednesday, August 5, 2026, at the Talkeetna Warm Storage Building at 25150 S Comsat Road in Talkeetna, Alaska and via Microsoft Teams. The meeting was called to order at 1:09pm by Jane Steere.

II. ROLL CALL

Talkeetna Sewer & Water Board members present and establishing a quorum were:

Mr. Andrew Haag – absent
Ms. Jane Steere – present and on-time
Mr. Ryan Sheldon – present and on-time
Mr. James Kellard – present and on-time

III. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion to adopt the agenda by Ryan Sheldon. Seconded by James Kellard.

No objections, agenda approved as presented.

IV. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF PRECEDING MEETINGS

A. Regular Meeting:

Minutes for the July 1, 2026, regular meeting were reviewed by the Board. Motion to approve the June minutes by Ryan. Seconded by James.

No objections, minutes approved as presented.

V. STAFF REPORT

A. TSW Supervisor (Amanda Fleming absent but written report provided)

- **Wastewater Treatment** – Due to all the rain in July, the WWTP was turned back on during the last week.
- **Water Distribution** – annual flushing schedule set for the first week of September prior to the fire department testing later in the month. This is done annually. Fire department will winterize the hydrant shortly after.
- **Flooding** – erosion and bank loss along the west side of the Talkeetna Spur. From July 22nd to July 26th 37' of bank was lost due to erosion. There is 16' of land left between the river and the mainline. Given the rate of erosion during the event, the water main was turned off at 20'. Three customers temporarily lost service. Two of the three services have been permanently terminated. Service was resumed so Eye of Denali could continue operation while they sorted out alternative options for long-term water supply given that the erosion will likely eliminate the water main. There is a community meeting tomorrow night to discuss the larger concerns with egress, town protection however, in the short-term, Public Works is looking at options to cap the water main and relocate a hydrant closer to Susitna River Lodge.
- **Grease Traps** – grease traps are required now but working with customers on compliance.

B. MSB Engineer (Mike Campfield)

- An addendum has been added to Water Project PER. This addendum adds information regarding the other sites investigated by the MSB since the original PER was distributed. An RFP is prepared and will be advertised after the appeal period is finalized on the DNR parcel. An ARRC application was also submitted for the Front St property as well. Timeline would be likely around summer 2027 for plans with DEC approval with construction in 2028.
- A funding agreement is still in process with the EPA for the CDS grant. The \$ 1.5 million forgivable loan is back in the works with the SRF program.

VI. AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION

- ##### A. Alan Larson – reiterated his preference to look at the current wellhouse site for the upgrade.

VII. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

- A. **Service Area Rule & Rate Changes** – no update. Board has homework to review rules for potential changes.
- B. **Land Acquisition for New Headworks and Storage Tank Project** – no additional discussion outside of Mike Campfield's update.

VIII. NEW BUSINESS

- A. None.

IX. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

- A. No comments.

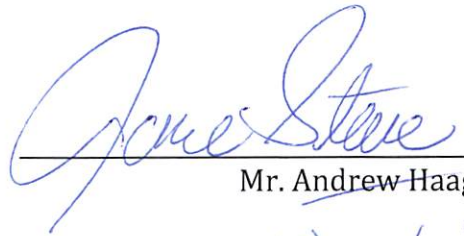
X. NEXT MEETING

- A. Regular Meeting: September 2, 2026, 1:00pm, Talkeetna Warm Storage & Teams

XI. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn Ryan. Seconded by James.

No objections, meeting adjourned at 1:58 pm.


Mr. Andrew Haag, Chair
vice-chair

ATTESTED:



Ms. Amanda Fleming, Board Administrative Support