

**FOUR CORNERS WATER AND SEWER DISTRICT MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING, January 20, 2026**

Call to Order

President Nancy Flikkema called the regular meeting of the Four Corners Water and Sewer District (FCWSD) to order at 6:30 pm on January 20, 2026, at the office of the Four Corners Water & Sewer District at 495 Quail Run Road, Bozeman, Montana.

Board Members present: President Nancy Flikkema, Member Brad Early, Member Jeff Sipes, Member Justin Hart and Member Michele Piazza.

Staff/Public present: Phil George, General Manager (GM) from FCWSD; Amy Ellingson, District Administrator (DA) from FCWSD and Libby Kueneker, Secretary

Approval of Minutes

November 18, 2025 Board Meeting

Motion: Member Jeff Sipes moved to approve the Minutes as written. Member Justin Hart seconded. No public comment occurred. The Minutes were approved 5-0.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

No public comment occurred.

GENERAL BUSINESS

Resolution 2026-01: A Resolution Calling for a Board of Directors Election

Resolution 2025-01: A Resolution of the Four Corners County Water and Sewer to Call for a Board of Directors Election

In an effort to increase adherence to state law, the 3 Board seats will go to an election. Board Members can use a link on the website to renew seats. The DA will send the links to Board Members. Member Michele Piazza will submit paperwork as well as completing items on the website.

Motion: Member Jeff Sipes moved to approve Resolution 2026-01; Member Brad Early seconded. No public comment occurred. The Motion passed 5-0.

Monthly Financial Report

Amy Ellingson provided the report.

- The DA reviewed upcoming annexations.
- The DA updated the board on employee changes. FCWSD is currently at full staff.
- According to the CPI Cost of Living Index, an increase of 2.9% occurred, so employees' salaries will be adjusted.
- The DA updated FCWSD on the GGWSD. The Board approved a 2 year renewal for the DA and GM's contract with GGWSD.
- The Stip Bond water status is at \$1,777,664 and sewer status is at \$1,547,859.
- The DA reviewed contracts for four year billing. The Board chose to report these by fiscal year (July 1- June 30th).
- The DA reviewed the December 2025 budget vs. actual for shared, sewer, and water expenses.

Monthly Operations and Maintenance Report

Phil George offered the report.

- The Tertiary Filtration Building and Operations is under continuing investigation of the hydrologic flow.
- The Northstar Lift Station is under investigation for pump issues.
- Most of the Baxter waterline extension is installed. Crossing the creek remains, requiring a permit.
- Zoot Well #3 needs to be re-drilled. DEQ submittal is in process.
- Phase 2 of the Elk Grove treatment facility is in DEQ review.

General Manager Topics

Phil George offered the report.

- The capacity is at 935 EDUs.
- The GM reviewed local equivalent water rates with the Board.
- The GM reviewed the Finance Sub Committee's recent Meetings' progress with the Board.
- The GM recommends upgrading the MXU boxes that allow for radio reads.
- We may not have a February meeting, if so the next meeting will be March 17, 2026.

Board Member Topics

No Board Member topics arose.

Next Meeting Date: February 17, 2026

Adjourn

There being no further business before the Board, the Four Corners Water & Sewer District meeting of January 20, 2026 adjourned at 7:30 p.m.



Libby Kueneke
Secretary