
**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES
OF THE THORN CREEK BASIN SANITARY DISTRICT
HELD JULY 15, 2026 AT 1:00 P.M.**



CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was opened with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The following trustees were present at the regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the Thorn Creek Basin Sanitary District, held July 15, 2026:

Carmen. E. Sendejas, President/ Treasurer
Joseph P. Stanfa, Vice President
Raymond C. Robertson, Clerk

Also present were: Vlado Vranjes, Attorney; and staff members: Jennifer Hindel, Executive Director; Lucas Streicher, Director of Operations; Jeremy Stubbs, Technical Services Director; Norma Cash, Finance Director; and Nora Rhein, Human Resource Coordinator.

GUESTS: None.

MINUTES

Trustee Sendejas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Stanfa, approving the minutes of the regular meeting, held on June 17, 2026, as presented. Motion unanimously carried.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

Trustee Sendejas asked for public comments. Individuals will be given the opportunity to address the Board of Trustees on matters related to the agenda. Each individual must state his or her name and will be limited to five minutes.

No comments were made.

BILLS

Trustee Sendejas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Robertson, to approve the accounts payable register dated July 15, 2026, totaling \$499,797.08 and authorize the Treasurer to issue payment for the claims listed therein. Motion unanimously carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT

Trustee Sendejas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Stanfa, to accept the recommendation of the Finance Director and authorize the transfer of funds, upon need, in the amount of \$300,000, from the ILF account to the Corporate account, effective July 15, 2026. Motion unanimously carried.

Trustee Stanfa made a motion, seconded by Trustee Robertson, that the Financial Report be accepted as of June 30, 2026. Motion unanimously carried.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS

Legal Report

Attorney Vlado Vranjes reported:

- Attorney Vranjes had nothing to report.

Executive Director's Report

Executive Director Hindel reported:

- The District was not placed on the 26/27 IEPA SRF Loan Priority List for the Biosolids Project.

Operations Report

Director of Operations Lucas Streicher reported:

- The District has experienced substantial rainfall so far in July as well and have had 2 Excess Days. One HEF discharge and three emergency bypasses during one wet weather event have occurred so far this month. These will be reported on in detail next month.
- For the month of June, the District met all permit limits for both the main plant and the Homewood Excess Flow facility. It was a very busy month with considerably above average flows and over 13 inches of rainfall. The District experienced seven excess flow days, on the 11th, 12th, 14th, 17th, 18th, 22nd and 25th, along with three Homewood Excess Flow facility discharges on the 17th, 22nd and 25th. The District had three main plant emergency bypasses on the 14th, 17th and 22nd.
- Overall, the plant is functioning very well at this time.
- See below.

Engineering Report

Technical Services Director Jeremy Stubbs reported:

- There was one commercial connection permit issued this month in Homewood.
- See below.

Finance Director's Report

Finance Director Norma Cash reported:

- Finance Director Cash asked the Trustees for recommendations on insurance brokers for the new fiscal year, if any.

PURCHASE OF SERVICES AND EQUIPMENT NOT REQUIRED TO BE BID

MCC #3 Temporary Generator Rental Agreement

Request by Operations Director Lucas Streicher to award the contract to Rush Power Systems as the provider for the MCC #3 Temporary Generator Rental Agreement, for an amount not to exceed \$19,750.19.

Trustee Robertson made a motion, seconded by Trustee Stanfa, to award the contract to Rush Power Systems as the provider for the MCC #3 Temporary Generator Rental Agreement, for an amount not to exceed \$19,750.19. Motion unanimously carried.

MCC #3 Generator Repair Agreement

Request by Operations Director Lucas Streicher to award the contract to Rush Power Systems as the provider for the MCC # 3 Generator Repair in the lump sum amount of \$15,671.44.

Trustee Sendejas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Stanfa, to award the contract Rush Power Systems as the provider for the MCC # 3 Generator Repair in the lump sum amount of \$15,671.44. Motion unanimously carried.

Monee Road Lift Pump Rotating Assembly

Presentation by Operations Director Lucas Streicher to declare Abba Pump Parts & Service as the sole provider for the Monee Road Lift Pump Rotating Assembly and to award the contract to Abba Pump Parts & Service for the lump sum amount of \$28,995.00.

Trustee Sendejas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Stanfa, to award the contract to Abba Pump Parts & Service as the sole provider for the Monee Road Lift Pump Rotating Assembly in the lump sum amount of \$28,995.00. Motion unanimously carried.

REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS

None.

EMERGENCY PURCHASES

None.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

ONGOING PROJECTS:

■ **Land Application of Biosolids (2023-2026 Contract)**

J. Stubbs

Application for Payment No. 8 (Final) – Stewart Spreading Inc.

Presentation by Technical Services Director Stubbs of Application for Payment No. 8 (Final) from Stewart Spreading Inc., in the amount of \$5,052 for completion of work for the Land Application Program.

Original Contract Sum:	\$1,593,000.00
Total Change Orders to Date:	\$ 227,291.25
Contract Extension:	\$ 946,632.50
Updated Contract Sum:	\$2,766,923.75
Total Completed to Date:	\$1,739,468.27
Less Retainage:	\$ 0.00
Previous Payments:	\$1,734,416.27
Total Amount Due:	\$ 5,052.00

Trustee Sendejas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Robertson, to approve Application for Payment No. 8 (Final) from Stewart Spreading Inc., in the amount of \$5,052 for completion of work for the Land Application Program. Motion unanimously carried.

■ Land Application of Biosolids (2026 - 2028 Contract)

J. Stubbs

Application for Payment No. 1 – Stewart Spreading Inc.

Presentation by Technical Services Director Stubbs of Application for Payment No. 1 from Stewart Spreading Inc., in the amount of \$95,000 for completion of work for the Land Application Program.

Original Contract Sum:	\$1,994,520.00
Total Completed to Date:	\$ 100,000.00
Less Retainage:	\$ 5,000.00
Previous Payments:	\$ 0.00
Total Amount Due:	\$ 95,000.00

Trustee Sendejas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Stanfa, to approve Application for Payment No. 1 from Stewart Spreading Inc., in the amount of \$95,000 for completion of work for the Land Application Program. Motion unanimously carried.

NEW BUSINESS

None.

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Director Hindel requested an executive session to enter into executive session at this time pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussing: (1) pending, threatened, or imminent litigation; (2) personnel matters; (3) the possible acquisition of real property; (4) collective bargaining matters; (5) review of executive session minutes dated December 21, 2001, through June 17, 2026; and (6) authorization for the destruction of executive session audio recordings that are more than 18 months old, as authorized under the Illinois Open Meetings Act.

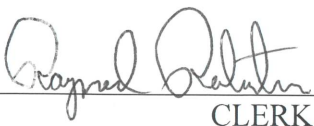
Trustee Stanfa made a motion, seconded by Trustee Robertson, to enter into an executive session time pursuant to the Illinois Open Meetings Act for the purpose of discussing: (1) pending, threatened, or imminent litigation; (2) personnel matters; (3) the possible acquisition of real property; (4) collective bargaining matters; (5) review of executive session minutes dated December 21, 2001, through June 17, 2026; and (6) authorization for the destruction of executive session audio recordings that are more than 18 months old, as authorized under the Illinois Open Meetings Act. On roll call vote, all Trustees present voted "Aye". The motion carried.

Trustee Sendejas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Stanfa, to review of executive session minutes dated December 21, 2001, through June 17, 2026; and the authorization for the destruction of executive session audio recordings that are more than 18 months old, as authorized under the Illinois Open Meetings Act. On roll call vote, all Trustees present voted "Aye". The motion carried.

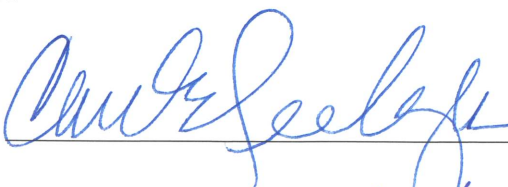
Trustee Sendejas made a motion, seconded by Trustee Robertson to adjourn the executive session and to reconvene the regular meeting.

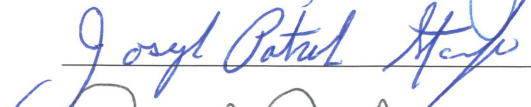
ADJOURNMENT

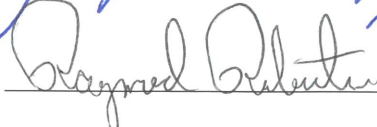
There being no further business, Trustee Stanfa made a motion, seconded by Trustee Robertson that the meeting be adjourned. Meeting adjourned at 2:29 p.m.


CLERK

APPROVED:


PRESIDENT


TRUSTEE


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