

NOTICE

OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF ALLEGHANY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

Date: Tuesday April 14, 2026, Time: 6:00 pm

**Location: Alleghany Firehouse 105 Plaza Court with conference call option
for non-board members only.**

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1. Call to Order & Establish a Quorum

2. Consent Calendar

- a) Approval of agenda
- b) Reading and approval of the minutes for the regular meeting dated March 10, 2026.
- c) Ratification of Treasury Report and bill payments for March 2026.

3. Information/Discussion Items:

- a) Correspondence –
- b) SRF Projects Update –
- c) Board/Staff Reports –Chief Water Operator (CWO) & General Manager (GM)
- d) Historical Church/Library Report
- e) Park Report

4. Unfinished Business (Discussion & Possible Action Items):

- a) Customer Accounts/Billings/Disconnects:

5. New Business (Discussion & Possible Action Items):

- a) None

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Next regular meeting date May 12, 2026 Agenda items: Preliminary budget initial presentation for June adoption.

7. Adjournment.

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**Minutes for the Regular Meeting of the Alleghany County Water District Board of Directors
Tuesday March 10, 2026 at the Alleghany Firehouse 105 Plaza Court. Nobody on the conference
call option.**

1.) Call to Order and Establish a Quorum

- The meeting was called to order by President Tobyn Mehrmann at 6:10pm
- Directors present: Tobyn Mehrmann, Brianne Price, and Oregon Tenney IV. Director Robbin DeWeese absent. Also present were General Manager Rae Bell Arbogast, Chief Water Operator Edward Snyder, Secretary Edda Snyder. Members of the public: Ned Cusato.

Director Tenney made a motion to move the appointment/approval of Edda Snyder as the new Secretary to first item on the agenda. Price Second. Ayes: Mehrmann, Price, Tenney. Noes: None. Absent: DeWeese. Motion carried. Vacant: 1

New Business Item 5. A) on Agenda: Consider Secretary Appointment. Director Tenney made a motion to appoint Edda Snyder as the new Secretary at the same rate of pay that she is paid for the bookkeeping (Minimum wage plus \$1.00) . Price Second. Ayes: Mehrmann, Price, Tenney. Noes: None. Absent: DeWeese. Vacant: 1 Motion carried.

2.) Consent Calendar:

- Approval of agenda, approval of minutes for the last regular meeting dated February 10, 2026.

Motion to approve consent calendar with one change to agenda as noted above.

Tenney made motion. Mehrmann second. Ayes: Mehrmann Price, Tenney. Noes: None. Absent: DeWeese. Motion carried.

3.) Information/Discussion Items

A.) Correspondence: None

B.) SRF Protect Update: Report Provided in Writing

- Sanbell supposed to start at end of March.

C.) Board/Staff Reports

CWO Edward Snyder reported that the both the raw and finished routine bacterial water testing for March came back clean. 138,020 gallons raw water production for January. 122,430 gallons raw production in February. Both months stand at 55 gals per minute.

- Regarding the SCADA system. Despite being plugged into a surge system designed to prevent this from happening, SCADA died during the week of the power outage ended February 25th. This is the third time this has happened, despite steps to prevent it. The SCADA unit was shipped to Ed Dobos for repair. This model of SCADA unit will “delete” it’s own programming if exposed to low voltage. The newer SCADA model has been upgraded to prevent this, but costs \$6,500 to purchase new. Board proposed the possibility of putting in for this upgraded unit during upcoming renovation of pumphouse that is part of the Ram Spring Project.
 - The main tank is currently not leaking
- GM Report**
- RMAP application submitted on time.
 - Form 700s handed out

Board report Tenney needs updated ethics training by Sept.

D.) Historical Church Report

- County bought a printer for the Library. The power still needs to be looked at. (I changed this as it was confusing since Robbin wasn't at the meeting.)

E.) Park Report

- Pliocene Ridge bought a flag for the park, which ACWD can purchase if we get a rope on the flagpole. Buying a good ¼" polyrope was discussed. There was vandalism to the bathroom but ACWD found out about it too late to report to the Sherrif's Office. Debated whether to glue the toilet back to the cement with epoxy.

4.) Unfinished Business

A) Customer Accounts

- 3 Accounts over 90 days
- 12 Accounts over 30 days
- Two houses with shut-off water may be changing hands. Hopefully they'll turn their water back on.

5.) New Business

A) moved above.

B) Accept Audit for Fiscal Year 24-25 Director Tenney made a motion to accept audit. Price Second Second. Ayes: Mehrmann Price, Tenney. Noes: None. Absent: DeWeese. Vacant: 1 Motion carried.

C) Audit Engagement Letter For Fiscal Year 25-26 Tenney made a motion to authorize GM to sign audit engagement letter. Price second.

Ayes: Mehrmann Price, Tenney. Noes: None. Absent: DeWeese Vacant: 1. Motion carried.

D) Consider Resolution 130 for Supplemental Water Storage Project

- GM explained the opportunity to get free storage tanks from a sunsetting State program that provides water storage tanks for drought. The minimum request required is 5 tanks. It was decided to request 10. The plan is to put these tanks on the Bucket Club property for extra water storage. Discussions were had how to protect the tanks from snow load, as well as the labor costs and logistics of getting them to the Bucket Club property. **A resolution was made to adopt resolution 130 as presented. Tenney made the motion. Price Second. Ayes: Mehrmann, Price, Tenney. Noes: None. Absent: DeWeese Vacant: 1. Motion carried.**

Next meeting will be held on April 10, 2026. There being no further business before the Board, meeting adjourned at 7:06pm

Respectfully submitted,

Edda Snyder, Secretary

Allegheny County Water District

Treasury Report

March 2026

MAIN CHECKING ACCOUNT

Beginning Balance \$ 9,050.36

Deposits

Date	From:	For:	Amount
3/5	Customers	Metered Water Sales February payments	\$ 3,890.25
3/5		Sierra County Tax Distribution \$3,108.40 + \$98.25 Metered Water Sales	\$ 3,206.65
3/16	Customers	Metered Water Sales	\$ 1,387.50
3/18	Customers	Metered Water Sales	\$ 2,057.25

Deposits Total \$ 10,541.65

Expenditures

Ck #	Date	To:	For:	Amount
EFT	3/5	PG&E	Pumphouse	\$ 326.22
EFT	3/5	PG&E	Tank Site	\$ 20.12
6055	3/9	Rae Bell Arbogast	February Bill - Gross \$302.85 (\$7.50 RSIP)	\$ 279.68
6056	3/9	Edda Snyder	Bookkeeper February Bill - Gross \$295.35	\$ 272.76
6057	3/9	Edward Snyder	CWO February Bill - Gross \$708.00	\$ 658.27
EFT	3/12	PG&E	Pumphouse	\$ 329.96
EFT	3/12	PG&E	Tank Site	\$ 19.32
6058	3/23	ATT		\$ 60.57
6059	3/23	Boden, Kline, Sneesby	Audit FY 24-25	\$ 3,500.00
6060	3/23	Cranmer	Water Tests	\$ 340.00
6061	3/23	Rae Bell Reimbursement	QB payroll Monthly Dec-Mar + 1/3 PR subscript \$268.33	\$ 324.33

Expenditures/Transfers Total \$ 6,131.23

End Main Checking Account Balance \$ 13,460.78

RESERVE FUND SAVINGS ACCOUNT (reconciled quarterly)		For:
Start	\$ 5,918.99	
Interest earned	\$ 0.48	
Deposits		
Withdrawals		
Ending balance	\$ 5,919.47	
\$1,000 of savings is allocated to Equip. Maint. - remainder is Contingency		

California Class Investment Fund

California Class Contingency Fund Portion		California Class Historical Church	
Cont. Fund Beg. Balance	\$ 12,232.86	Historical Church Fund Beg. Balance	\$ 5,197.72
Interest earned	\$ 38.39	Interest earned	\$ 16.31
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CA Class Cont. Fund end	\$ 12,271.25	CA Class Historical Church end	\$ 5,214.03
California Class Investment Fund Month End Total Balance \$ 17,485.28			

NON-ENTERPRISE Checking (Historical Church, Library & Park)

Beginning Balance \$ 3,649.06

Deposits

Date	From:	For:	Amount

Deposits Total \$ -

Expenditures/Transfers

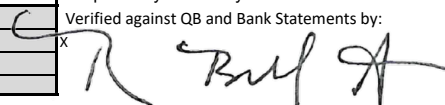
Ck #	Date	To:	For:	Amount
EFT	3/5	PG&E	Hist Church	\$ 5.88
EFT	3/12	PG&E	Hist Church	\$ 10.12

Expenditures Total \$ 16.00

PETTY CASH		For:	Ending Non-enterprise Tri-Counties Balance	\$ 3,633.06
START	\$ 319.75		Add CA Class	\$ 5,214.03
In			Ending Non-enterprise Account Balance	\$ 8,847.09
Out				
END	\$ 319.75			

Water Enterprise Total Funds	
Main Checking	\$13,460.78
Reserves	\$18,190.72
Cash	\$319.75
Balance	\$31,971.25

Prepared by Edda Snyder
Verified against QB and Bank Statements by:



Non-enterprise break-down.	
Historical Church Balance	\$6,984.05
Library Balance	\$1,006.78
Park Balance	\$856.26
Balance	\$8,847.09

ACWD General Manager (GM) Report April 2026

Prepared by Rae Bell Arbogast

Update on SCADA Unit that was sent for repairs:

4/6/2026 email from the Tech:

New information...

To the best of my knowledge, the unit you did have that failed, does have the auto shut-down feature. The newest suspicion is that perhaps during the power-up there may have been a repeat power loss while the battery was already dead, and the unit was unable to power-down cleanly. Hence, once your unit is repaired, it is already the newer version.

Best actionable item...

Since you already have a Uninterruptible Power Supply (UPS) and a battery backup, the only best course is when a storm is coming or in progress, get to the pump station and properly shutdown the Hyper Server before the battery backups run out of power. And keep the Hyper Server powered off until the power outage event is completed, and power-up the unit again.

Thank you,

Edward Dobos
PS Test Products, LLC

He has offered to sell ACWD a refurbished unit to have on-hand as a backup for \$1,800 (\$6,500 is the price for a new unit) I will bring a Year-to-date budget vs actual comparison to the meeting on Tuesday so that the board can discuss whether we want to purchase a spare unit.

Insurance discount program RMAP: ACWD Scored higher this year (7%) compared to last year and will be getting a rebate of \$468.30. I invested 4.5 hours (\$80.55 Gross Pay) this calendar year, plus a couple of hours last calendar year that was donated. We got one point for Burns' completion of an online training. If two directors do it next year, we can earn two points that way. The insurance company wants ACWD to adopt a footwear policy for the Water Operator and saying that we would do that helped with the points. I will bring a draft policy to the board before the next RMAP cycle.

State Required Reports: The annual EAR (Electronic Annual Report) for 2025 was due on April 1st and was submitted timely. It took 3 ½ hours to complete the report.

Monthly usage reporting under SAFER (I forget what it stands for) is required quarterly and this was something that Bruce was doing. I got that caught up and have included an annual water usage summary for 2025 in this month's meeting docs.

The Consumer Confidence Report for 2025 is due by June 1st.

Agenda Item 4. a) Customer Accounts/Billings/Disconnects As of the last billing date of 3/16/2026: Three active accounts were over 90 days with a combined balance of \$1,246.29. Plus there is one inactive account with a balance of \$792.24 that is also over 90 days. There is one active account that is over 60 days and the rest are current!

~ State Revolving Fund (SRF) Projects Update ~

Meeting Date: 4/14/2026 Prepared by Rae Bell Arbogast GM 4/10/2026

1. Ram Spring Improvement Project (RSIP) Project ID 4600012-008C

This is a continuation of Planning Project ID 4600012-0008P started in 2015 and completed 12/31/2020.

Funding Agreement dated 10/12/2023 ~ Estimated completion date: ~ 2/28/2028

Budget: Up to \$1.5 Million

Primary objective: To reconfigure the Ram Spring Pumphouse and facilities to accommodate and protect the driven pipes that were installed in May of 2017 as part of the planning project.

Other objectives: To build a 12' x16' building at the Ram Spring that can be used as a "sample lab" and to store district tools and records. To upgrade all residential water meters under a special program for that purpose. To update the stand-by generator and pumps that are over 30 years old.

Progress since the last ACWD Board meeting:

- The First ¼ 2026 quarterly report was filed with the State on April 6th.
- Sanbell prepared a list of items that need to be addressed before the plans can be finalized. A meeting is scheduled with ACWD staff on Friday April 10th to go over the list.
- The Bridge Loan is paid down with a balance of \$430.77 on 2/14/2026.

2. Water Tank Repair Project:

This project is to repair the water tank that was put in service in November of 2018 and that was still under warranty when it failed. This project has two main parts: 1. The warranty repair work, to be completed by the original contractor Thompson Tank (not funded by SRF) 2. The Technical Assistance Request awarded to Coleman (Sanbell) Engineering to oversee the repair work. (Funded by SRF)

Status since last ACWD Board meeting: As reported in December of 2025, the warranty repair work is complete and ACWD has contacted our Attorney to write a letter notifying the contractor. ~~The attorney requested more information and has been provided with everything that she asked for. A follow-up email was sent on 2/6/2026 and~~ Last month I failed to update this item. The attorney provided a sign-off letter after consulting with Sanbell our engineering firm. The letter was signed by ACWD and sent to BRCO Constructors on 2/18/2026. Follow-up emails were sent on 3/20/2026 and 4/6/2026.

Tank failure timeline Tank put in service Dec. 2018. 1-year warranty inspection done in Jan. 2020 found problem with rusting bolts in floor, bolts repaired in June of 2020. Tank started leaking and failure discovered: 10/30/2021 Tank drained and inspected mid-November 2021. Corrosion throughout. First Technical Assistance (TA) request submitted to State Dec. 2021 and approved in Jan. of 2022 with RCAC as the TA provider. TA report provided in Dec of 2022 concluded electrolysis (dissimilar metals in contact) was the main cause of corrosion but was inconclusive as to cause of sealant failure. Warranty claim letter prepared by ACWD attorney Marsh Burch and submitted to BRCO contractors 3/17/2023. Second TA request approved May 13, 2023 with Coleman Engineering as the TA provider to oversee the repair work. Repair work scheduled for late April 2024 to avoid winter weather, started on 4/30 tank partially filled at end of July, leaks noted and report made to attorney and BRCO contractors, tank being kept partially full as long as leaks don't worsen until fire danger subsides. Water leaks below 23 feet mark stopped. Bolt holes above that level for the ladder no longer leaking as of 12/14/2024, tank filled to top, 6/23/2025 tank drained and opened in anticipation of Cathodic Equipment Installation, small rust spots on some bolts, Thompson Tank onsite 6/30/2025 to touch up. After additional Cathodic Protection Equipment was installed in August of 2025, Bay Area Consulting Consultants performed an inspection of the entire tank finishing on Aug 13. 2025. They found a lot of "holidays" (gaps in

the paint) plus many small corrosion spots and marked them for repair. Thompson Tank came back on site to do tank repairs on Sept 15, 2025 with another independent tank inspection company (CSI) overseeing the repair work. The repair work was completed on Sept. 22, 2025. Everything was allowed to cure for one month. CSI came back onsite to test the Manus Bond (black sealant) on 10/23/2025 to make sure that it was properly cured. It was cured but there was a small amount of uncured material smeared around some of the seams. Thompson Tank came back on site Nov. 5th and 6th 2025 and cleaned every panel with ACWD's oversite. After that ACWD began the process of filling the tank and putting it back in service. **After the tank was full, on Nov 20th and 21st the New Cathodic Protection Equipment was energized and tested. The numbers indicate that the level of protection is more than adequate.**

3. Cathodic Protection Project (CP) This project was completed on November 21st as noted above but the financial side is still open. The project was to add cathodic protection to the water tank that was not included in the original design (other than the coating which was supposed to provide protection). A grant from the State's Urgent Needs program, for \$110,000 for this project was approved on November 16, 2023. Due to anticipated budget shortfalls, and to add money for ACWD to administer the grant, a request for additional funding in the amount of \$40,000 was submitted on October 17, 2024. Total revised budget \$150,000. Additional funding was approved on March 17, 2025. A further request for additional funding was submitted in June of 2025 and revised in Dec of 2025. That request is still pending. The final work was paid for with a Bridge Loan from RCAC (Rural Communities Assistance Corporation).

Update since last meeting:

ACWD is still waiting for approval from the Urgent Needs program for the request for more funds. The 5th disbursement request is on hold until this happens.

The additional amount requested is \$93,373 bringing the total budget to \$243,373.

The amount that has been billed through the 4th request is \$139,601.39 but \$4,601.39 was withheld until the project is completed. IF the new budget figure is approved the amount remaining in the budget will be \$103,772 plus we will recoup the \$4,601.39 that was withheld.

The current loan balance as of 2/14/2026 was 100,699.77. We are cutting it very close and the sooner that ACWD gets the State \$ the better. It looks like there will not be enough \$ to pay for mine and Edward's remaining project time. (Edward has been paid for 47 hours that have not been billed to the project). I will donate my time if it comes to that. I think that it would make sense for ACWD to make a loan payment to at least cover the interest. In the long run, the money would come back to ACWD and/or it would reduce the amount that we are left holding the bag on.

A follow-up email to the State to check the status of the request for more money was sent on 4/6/2026 and we were told that the request is winding its way through the approval process and we should have it by the end of April. However, our experience tells us that it will probably be the end of May if we are lucky.

I requested a loan balance update from RCAC today (4/10/2026) and we can discuss making a loan payment at our board meeting.

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