

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Mike Vereschagin, President
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Carlos



GENERAL MANAGER

Justin Dahl

**REGULAR MEETING
OF THE
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MINUTES**

October 21, 2025

DIRECTOR MEMBERS PRESENT

X Mike Vereschagin
X Steve Carlos
X Brian Erickson
X Jim Jones
X Chuck Schonauer

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

Justin Dahl, Manager
Chris Drouillard, Water Superintendent
Angel Stephens, Administrative Assistant
Kayla Mendonca, Administrative Assistant
Andy Scheer, Water & Land Solutions
Marty Bailey, Tax Collector/Assessor
Danny Kerns, Provost & Pritchard
Josh Horowitz, BKS Law Firm

CALL TO ORDER

President Vereschagin called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Roll was taken and is indicated above.

MINUTES APPROVAL:

The minutes of the August 19, 2025, Board meeting were reviewed. After Board discussion, it was m/s/c (Schonauer/Erickson) to approve the August 19th Board meeting minutes by the following vote:

Roll Call Vote	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Mike Vereschagin:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Steve Carlos:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Brian Erickson:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Jim Jones:	_____	_____	_____	<u> X </u>
Chuck Schonauer:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____

The minutes of the September 16, 2025, Board meeting were reviewed. After Board discussion, it was m/s/c (Jones/Schonauer) to approve the September 16th Board meeting minutes by the following vote:

Roll Call Vote	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Mike Vereschagin:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Steve Carlos:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Brian Erickson:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Jim Jones:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Chuck Schonauer:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____

PUBLIC FORUM:

No comments.

FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS AND APPROVAL OF CHECKS:

The Directors reviewed the financial transaction summary and check register for September 2025. After Board discussion, it was m/s/c (Jones/Erickson) to approve the September Financial Report and checks #15755 through #15781 by the following vote:

Roll Call Vote	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Mike Vereschagin:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Steve Carlos:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Brian Erickson:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Jim Jones:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____
Chuck Schonauer:	<u> X </u>	_____	_____	_____

WATER SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Water Superintendent Chris Drouillard provided an update on District Operations, Water Use, Deep Wells, Vehicles, and Water Quality, and answered any questions from the Board. He also reported on valve replacements; painting turnouts; purchase and installment of shelving in storage container; turning off above-ground air vents; annexation projects; oxygen monitor recalibration; and purchase of waders.

MANAGER'S REPORT

Manager Dahl reviewed his Manager's Report which was included in the Board packet and answered any questions from the Board. He reported on the following items: Black Butte meeting and corresponding letter to Bureau; September invoicing; 2026 draft budget; painting of turnouts; and thanked staff for hard work.

GENERAL BUSINESS

A. The Board to Receive an update on the Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority Activities

Director Jones reported on the following: October 15 Special meeting; cleaning screens; road work; safety meetings; policy updates; draft TCCA budget; TCCA fully staffed which increased labor costs and in effect, will increase OAWD assessments.

i. Update on Black Butte Spillway and OAWD

Meetings have continued and a draft letter to Bureau has been developed.

B. The Board to Receive an Update on the Glenn Groundwater Authority Activities and Groundwater Recharge Projects

Director Schonauer reported that well mitigation efforts continue; demand management needs to be completed by January 2027; and RFQs are out.

The Board took a recess to hold a Special Board meeting at 2 p.m.

The Board reconvened to regular session at 2:25 p.m.

C. The Board to Receive an Update on the Annexation Projects

i. The Board will receive an update from staff on annexation projects and grants.

It was reported that grant funding has been frozen due to the current government shutdown; grant bid meeting will be held mid-November; and government shutdown may delay approval from Bureau on proceeding with bid process.

ii. The Board to discuss and provide direction on amending annexation agreements to address terms for grower financing of construction of new facilities and payment of terms.

After reviewing annexation agreements, it was realized that there is nothing stating late fees or penalties. The OAWD attorney reviewed the agreements and suggested amendments to address the billing concerns. The Board suggested both late fees and penalties each be set at 10%.

Another discussion took place regarding the potential for the District to serve as the lender for annexed lands as long as the District were to receive a comparable amount of interest as financial institutions. The attorney and General Manager need to work on paperwork and bring back to the November Board meeting for consideration.

iii. The Board to discuss and consider approving reduction in annexation fees to account for benefits to District from joint pump station installed by Capay Farms.

This item was discussed at a previous meeting where it was agreed that the District would cut

a check for the reimbursement amount but has since been determined that this could be viewed as a gift of District funds. The attorney suggests reconsidering how the funds will be reimbursed. Staff are suggesting, instead, to reduced the connection fee for Capay Farms by \$12.39 per acre.

After Board discussion, it was m/s/c (Jones/Schonauer) to approve the lower the reduction in annexation connection fees, by the following vote:

Roll Call Vote	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Mike Vereschagin:		X		
Steve Carlos:				X
Brian Erickson:	X			
Jim Jones:	X			
Chuck Schonauer:	X			

- D. The Board to discuss and consider approving bids for Office Roof Repair/Replacement
Manager Dahl reported that the District received several bids for roof replacement. Staff suggest accepting the bid from Bippus Roofing with the “Woodcrest Option”.

After Board discussion, it was m/s/c (Schonauer/Erickson) to approve the roof bid from Bippus Roofing, by the following vote:

Roll Call Vote	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Mike Vereschagin:	X			
Steve Carlos:	X			
Brian Erickson:	X			
Jim Jones:	X			
Chuck Schonauer:	X			

- E. The Board to review and consider Resolution 2025-05 Commencing Alternative Assessment Procedures for Fiscal Year 2026

After Board discussion, it was m/s/c (Jones/Carlos) to approve the Resolution 2025-05 Commencing Alternative Assessment Procedures for Fiscal Year 2026, by the following vote:

Roll Call Vote	AYES	NOES	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
Mike Vereschagin:	X			
Steve Carlos:	X			
Brian Erickson:	X			
Jim Jones:	X			
Chuck Schonauer:	X			

ADJOURNMENT:

Being there was no further business, President Vereschagin adjourned the meeting at 3:33 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Kayla Mendonca

APPROVED AT THE NOVEMBER 25, 2025 BOARD MEETING