

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

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**GENERAL MANAGER**

Justin Dahl

**MEETING  
OF THE  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MINUTES**

**May 19th, 2026**

**DIRECTOR MEMBERS PRESENT**

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

**OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE**

Marty Bailey, Tax Collector/Assessor  
Justin Dahl, Manager  
Chris Drouillard, Water Superintendent  
Angel Stephens, Senior Administrative Coordinator

**CALL TO ORDER**

Vice President Schonauer 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 May 19<sup>th</sup> Board meeting were reviewed. After Board discussion, it was m/s/c (Jones/Erickson) to approve the April 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 from May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2026, to June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2026. After Board discussion, it was m/s/c (Carlos/Jones) to approve the April Financial Report and checks #1156 to #1186 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 the following: safety training for “Hand Injuries & Falling Objects”; Justin Rolfs rebuilding meters, valves and air vents, and installing them where needed; Morgan and Justin Rolfs new assigned areas; The removal of the brush screen at 35.2.

**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: attended several meetings; Shasta Lake levels; Staffing Updates; Annexation invoicing; Scheduled Maintenance Updates; and Field Tech Structure Updates.

**GENERAL BUSINESS**

**The Board is to receive an update on the Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority Activities**

Board Member Jim Jones provided an update on the TCCA meeting.

i. **Update on Black Butte Spillway and OAWD**

General Manager Dahl reported that these conversations are continuing.

**The Board to Receive an Update on the Glenn Groundwater Authority Activities**

Board Vice President Chuck Schonauer and General Manager Justin Dahl provided an update of GGA & AD HOC Committee meetings.

i. **Report on GGA Board Meeting**

Demand management and accounting system conversations continue.

- ii. Report on OAWD recharge projects  
Manager Dahl informed the Board that he is still waiting to hear back from the Colusa Basin Drainage District on any restrictions for the awarded 100k recharge water fund. More information to come once paperwork is finalized.

The Board to receive an Update on the Annexation Projects

- i. The Board will receive an update from staff on annexation projects/grants and Landowner Loan Agreements

No new news: turnouts are being finalized. As soon as the turnouts are completed, office staff will charge connection fees. We are getting closer to finalizing Phase 1. Loan agreements will go out after the final payment to the contractor.

Update the Board on draft encroachment agreements with OAWD and Glenn County.

Board President Vereschagin, Board Vice President Schonauer, and General Manager Dahl met with the County Ad Hoc Committee about the encroachment agreements. After discussion with the county, an MOU was drafted. GM Dahl felt, after reading through it, that it was still a very broad scope of liability to the district. After board discussion, the consensus was to amend the MOU to reflect only new infrastructure and return it to the county.

The Board is to review and consider approval of Amendments to the Rules and Regulations for Agricultural Water Service/Water Ordering Procedures.

Manager Dahl went over all changes to the agreement shown in the board packet. After Board review and discussion, it was m/s/c (Erickson/Jones) to make the changes 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    |      |        |         |

The Board will review and discuss options for the WIIN ACT Overpayment

General Manager Dahl presented the board with 2 different options on how he thought we could handle the money from the overpayment of WIIN ACT funds being returned to the district, both of which are shown in the board packet. After much discussion on how the money was originally collected, different ways of redemption, and the rules and regulations for returning public funds, Board Member Erickson suggested that we use the funds to stabilize water rates for more than 1 year using the funds over several years to keep water cost at a lowered rate for users, since the overpayment refund was being funded back to us from the BOR as a water credit. It was the consensus of the board to go that route, and direction was given to Manager Dahl and Staff to calculate the numbers to make that feasible for future use.

ADJOURNMENT:

Since there was no further business, Vice President Schonauer adjourned the meeting at 3:11 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Angel Stephens

**Approved by the Board of Directors during a regularly scheduled Board  
Meeting held on July 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026**