

Board of Directors

**Regular Meeting**

**8/8/24 at 6:00 p.m.**

Santa Margarita Community Room

2 Civic Center Drive, Scotts Valley, California

**Minutes**

**1. Convene**

1.1. Call to Order and Roll Call

President Reber called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m. in the Santa Margarita Community Room. The meeting was conducted in a hybrid setting.

Directors

Bill Ekwall

Wade Leishman (absent)

Chris Perri

Danny Reber

Ruth Stiles

Staff

Robert Bosso, Legal Counsel (remote)

Nate Gillespie, Operations Manager

Rahni Jensen, Executive Assistant / Board Clerk

Nick Kurns, Finance and Customer Service Manager

David McNair, General Manager

Junior Board

Alex Schulz

Jasmin Schulz

Guests

Jennifer Murray

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Junior Director Alex Schulz led the pledge, and Director Perri led the invocation.

1.3. Closed Session Report

None.

1.4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

Move closed session to the end of the meeting.

1.5. Oral Communications

None.

**2. Presentation**

2.1. Communications and Community Outreach Report

Murray with M2 Communications provided the Communications and Community Outreach Report.

**3. Administrative**

*Items are informational in nature and do not include an agenda report.*

3.1. Committee and Other Agency Meeting Reports

Engineering and Water Resource Committee (none)

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Finance & Personnel Committee 7/17/24

Nothing to add to the written report.

Executive & Public Affairs Committee 7/17/24

Nothing to add to the written report.

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency Board (none)

**4. Consent**

*Items are routine in nature, may include agenda reports and be approved by one motion.*

4.1. Approval of Minutes – Regular Board Meeting 6/13/24

Approved the minutes of the 6/13/24 Regular Board Meeting.

MOTION Stiles/Ekwall carried to approve the consent agenda as submitted by unanimous voice vote, Leishman absent, Perri abstained.

**5. Public Hearings (none).**

*Items include an agenda report with recommendation, an oral staff report or presentation.*

**6. Business**

*Items are complex in nature, considered individually, and each item includes an agenda report with recommendation and an oral staff report or presentation.*

6.1. Exempt Employee Salary Adjustments

General Manager McNair presented the report. The Board received the information presented.

MOTION Perri/Stiles carried to approve the compensation adjustments for Finance and Customer Service Manager, Operations Manager, and Executive Assistant/Board Clerk classifications by unanimous voice vote, Leishman absent.

6.2. Contract of Professional Audit Services

McNair presented the agenda report, Customer Service & Finance Manager Kurns provided additional information. The Board discussed.

MOTION Stiles/Perri carried to authorize the General manager to execute and agreement with Nigro & Nigro PC to provide professional audit services for the fiscal years ending June 30, 2024, 2025, and 2026 with an option to renew the agreement for two (2) additional one-year periods by unanimous voice vote, Leishman absent.

**7. Staff Reports**

7.1. Legal

District Counsel Bosso discussed the state water board's change in the approach to as-

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sembling district guidelines. The Board discussed.

7.2. Administrative

General Manager McNair reported that progress is taking place with intertie one project, and the lead service line investigation.

7.3. Finance

Q4 Financials

Kurns reported on CLASS investments.

7.4. Operations

Operations Report

Gillespie provided updates to current projects, production demand reports progress, and the lead service line investigation.

**8. Directors Reports (none).**

**9. Written Correspondence**

June Newsletter

SLVWD Grant Support

4<sup>th</sup> of July

**10. Community Relations (none).**

**11. Closed Session**

Legal Council Options

General Manager Compensation

**12. Report on Closed Session and Additional Items (none).**

**13. Future Items**

**14. Meetings and Event Calendar**

Board Meetings

09/12/24

10/10/24

11/14/24

Committee Meetings

08/28/24 Finance & Personal

08/26/24 Engineering & Water Resource

10/23/24 Executive & Public Affairs

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**16. Adjourn**

The meeting adjourned at 7:27 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Signed by:  
  
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Wade Leishman, Board President

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David McNair, Board Secretary