

Board of Directors

Regular Meeting

2/13/25 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

Danny Reber

Ruth Stiles

Junior Board

Alex Schulz

Jasmin Schulz

Absent

Chris Perri

Staff

Terry Rein, Legal Counsel

Nate Gillespie, Operations Manager (Remote)

Nick Kurns, Finance and Customer Service Manager

David McNair, General Manager

Guests

Jennifer Murray, M2

Greg Kassner

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

Director A. Schulz led the pledge, and Director Leishman led the invocation.

1.3. Closed Session Report

None.

1.4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None.

1.5. Oral Communications

None.

2. Presentation

Communications and Community Outreach Report – M2

Jennifer Murray with M2 presented the report. The Board discussed.

3. Administrative (None)

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

3.1. Committee and Other Agency Meeting Reports

Engineering & Water Resource Committee 1/27/25

Nothing to add to the written report.

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Finance & Personnel Committee 1/22/25

Finance & Customer Service Manager Kurns provided a summary. Nothing to add to the written report.

Executive & Public Affairs Committee 1/22/25

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 1/9/25

Approved the minutes of the 1/9/25 Regular Board Meeting as amended.

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

5. Public Hearings (None)

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

6. Business (None)

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. Miscellaneous Fee Schedule

Finance & Customer Service Manager Kurns presented the Miscellaneous Fee Schedule. The Board discussed.

MOTION Ekwall/Stiles carried to adopt Resolution 01-25 updating the Fee Schedule for Bulk, Temporary and Miscellaneous Services and rescinding Resolution 01-24 by unanimous roll call vote, Perri absent.

AYES: Ekwall, Leishman, Reber and Stiles

NO: None.

ABSENT: Perri.

6.2. Water Supply Conditions

McNair presented. The Board received information.

7. Staff Reports

7.1. Legal

Legal Counsel Rein provided information regarding the Levine Act.

7.2. Administrative

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General Manager McNair provided information about the Grace Way Well, the upcoming fire prevention and planning forum, Finance & Customer Service Manager Kurns is departing from the District and Accounting Specialist John Dillon will act as interim Finance & Customer Service Manager until a permanent replacement has been secured, along with a representative from RGS to assist with the budget. McNair thanked Kurns for his time with the District and all the work he accomplished. President Reber gave his thanks to Kurns for his time with the District and SMGWA. Kurns thanked the Board and staff for the years worked together.

7.3. Finance

Financial Report 7/1/24 – 12/31/24

Customer Service & Finance Manager Kurns provided his report. The Board discussed.

7.4. Operations

Operations Report

Operations Manager Gillespie is attending virtually from a conference in Dallas. Gillespie provided information about the conference, and updates on current projects including Grace Way Well, Well 10 A, Intertie-1 and the community meeting, flushing schedule, project bid meetings, SVWD participation in the Multi-Jurisdictional Hazard Mitigation Plan and potential grant funding. The Board discussed.

8. Directors Reports

Director Ekwall has seen more online engagement from the community on social media.

Director Stiles noted the Grace Way Well progress.

Director Leishman was unable to attend the Intertie-1 community meeting.

9. Written Correspondence (None)

10. Community Relations

January Newsletter

11. Closed Session

11.1. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation (Government Code § 54956.9 IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA IN RE: AQUEOUS FILM-FORMING FOAMS PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION PFAS settlement.

2:23-cv-03230-RMG. City of Camden, et al. v. E.I. DuPont de Nemours and Company, et al.

The closed session began at 7:00 p.m.

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12. Report on Closed Session and Additional Items

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Open session resumed at 7:32 p.m. President Reber reported that the Board received information from Legal Counsel Rein.

13. Future Items

LAFCO Election

14. Meetings and Event Calendar

Board Meetings	Committee Meetings
3/13/25	2/26/25 Finance & Personal
4/10/25	2/24/25 Engineering & Water Resource
5/8/25	4/23/25 Executive & Public Affairs

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15. Events (None)

16. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

Approved:

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Danny Reber, Board President

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David McNair, Board Secretary