

Board of Directors

Regular Meeting

3/13/25 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 6:00 p.m. in the Santa Margarita Community Room. The meeting was conducted in a hybrid setting.

Directors

Bill Ekwall

Wade Leishman

Chris Perri

Danny Reber

Ruth Stiles

Junior Board

Alex Schulz

Jasmin Schulz

Staff

Terry Rein, Legal Counsel

Nate Gillespie, Operations Manager

John Dillon, Interim Finance & Customer Service Manager

David McNair, General Manager

Rahni Jensen, Executive Assistant/Board Clerk

Guests

Heather Ippoliti – MGS (Virtual)

Greg Kassner

Jim Anderson

Alani Faulkner

1.2. Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

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

1.3. Closed Session Report 2/13/25 Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Status update of litigation concerning PFAs, no action was taken by the board

1.4. Additions/Deletions to the Agenda

None.

1.5. Oral Communications

None.

2. Presentation (None)

3. Administrative

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

3.1. Committee and Other Agency Meeting Reports

Engineering & Water Resource Committee 2/24/25

The Board discussed an item that was on the Committee Agenda, no action or decision was

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made. Nothing to add to the written report.

Finance & Personnel Committee 2/26/25

Nothing to add to the written report.

Executive & Public Affairs Committee (None)

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency Board

Director Perri provided a summary.

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 2/13/25

Approved the minutes of the 2/13/25 Regular Board Meeting as amended.

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

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.

6.4. 2025 Election for Special District Regular & Alternate Members of LAFCO

Item 6.4 was moved to the start of the Business section. General Manager McNair presented. Candidates Anderson and Faulkner introduced themselves and provided an oral presentation to the Board. The Board discussed. The Board decided to vote for candidate Anderson to fill the main seat, and for candidate Faulkner to fill the alternate seat.

MOTION Perri/Stiles carried to designate the General Manager to execute the ballot on behalf of the District for Jim Anderson as the LAFCO Special District regular member representative and Alani Faulkner for an alternate member, by unanimous voice vote.

6.1. Granite Creek Rd Main Repair Contract

McNair presented, the Board discussed.

MOTION Perri/Leishman carried to authorize the General manager to execute an agreement with Anderson Pacific Engineering Construction, Inc in the amount of \$235,680 for the repair of the Granite Creek Rd water main and roadway that was damaged last December by unanimous voice vote.

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- 6.2. Contract for Combined Water Main Projects at Bel Air Court and La Cuesta Drive
McNair presented, the Board discussed.

MOTION Perri/Stiles carried to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with Anderson Pacific Engineering Construction Inc, in the amount of \$723,675 for the Belair Ct main replacement and the new La Cuesta Dr transmission main by unanimous voice vote.

- 6.3. Service Application with Main Extension Agreement
McNair presented, the Board discussed. A comment was heard from the public.

MOTION Leishman/Ekwall carried to approve terms and authorize the General Manager to execute a Main Extension Agreement for Casa Way 9 – Lot subdivision (APN 023-113-36) by unanimous voice vote.

7. Staff Reports

- 7.1. Legal
None.

- 7.2. Administrative
General Manager McNair provided an update on rainfall, CARB compliance on pause because of the LA fires, a recent battalion chief meeting with SVFD for hydrant maintenance and pooling resources, and the District will have a table at the community meeting taking place next Tuesday the 18th from 6-7:30 PM.

- 7.3. Finance
Financial Report 7/1/24 – 1/31/24
Interim Customer Service & Finance Manager Dillon reviewed the Budget Calendar.

- 7.4. Operations
Operations Report
Operations Manager Gillespie provided an update on projects including Grace Way Well, Well 10 A, annual maintenance for Orchard Run, the new valve turning machine was delivered this past week, Mt Hermon Association detected perchlorate in their wells, and perchlorate has not been detected in any District wells.

8. Directors Reports

Director Leishman noted that there have been staffing changes with waste water at the City.

9. Written Correspondence (None)

10. Community Relations

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11. Closed Session (None)

12. Report on Closed Session and Additional Items (None)

13. Future Items

Proposed FY26 Project Budget

FY25 Budget Assumptions

Montgomery & Associates Annual Water Update

14. Meetings and Event Calendar

Board Meetings

4/10/25

5/8/25

6/12/25

Committee Meetings

3/26/25 Finance & Personal

3/24/25 Engineering & Water Resource

4/23/25 Executive & Public Affairs

Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

Board Meeting 5/22/25

15. Events (None)

16. Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 7:19 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

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Danny Reber, Board President

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David McNair, Board Secretary