



April 5, 2025

Western Hills Water District
Minutes of the Special Meeting of
The Board of Directors

1. Roll Call of Closed Session 10:00 a.m. adjourned at 11:45 a.m.
M. Kovich, M. Oliver, M. George Johnson, M. Davies, and J. Frederick. In Attendance by teleconference were District Counsel Lemmo and Special Counsel Neasham
2. Motion to approve published agenda
Unanimously approved by Board members in attendance
3. Public Comments on Closed Session Items/Motion to adjourn to Closed Session
No public comments. No attendees from Public.
4. Closed session ended at 11:45 am
Closed session items 4 (A), and (B) discussed and concluded
5. Reconvened Open Session 12:00 p.m.
Roll call was taken M. Kovich, M. Davies, M. George Johnson, M. Oliver, J. Frederick. Approximately 75 in person attendees. Approximately 40 virtual attendees.
6. Reportable Actions Taken During Closed Session
The Board authorized a communication to be sent to the County Tax Collector to cancel the May 19th published tax sale of properties within Diablo Grande. The Board authorized Director Kovich and Director Oliver to meet with County officials for meeting about the May 19th tax sale. The Board authorized a letter for financial aid to be written to State Senator Alvarado-Gil and State Assemblymember Alanis. The Board authorized a communication to be sent to the State Water Resources Control Board and the Department of Water Resources to solicit and ask for help regarding the potential KCWA suspension of water delivery.

7. Public Comment on Agenda Items

- A. Residents Michael Saunders and Debbie Antiqua announced a community action committee and requested access to the Clubhouse after the April 4th meeting with regards to Item 8.A.**
- B. Resident Mike Crumb asked if HOA funds to be used to help WHWD with regards to Item 8.A. Director Kovich referred the comment to the HOA.**

8. Agenda Items

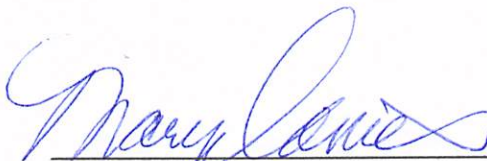
- A. Director Kovich presented history and status of WHWD and Diablo Grande and its financial issues and problems.**
- B. Director Kovich further elaborated on the Kern County Water Agency termination notice.**

9. Non-Agenda Public Comments

- A. Several residents provided public comment and asked questions about the following topics:**
 - a. Can KCWA shut of water supply**
 - b. Efforts on finding a new developer taking over the DG development**
 - c. Details on the KCWA contract**
 - d. Why can't WHWD use the Marshall Davis well**
 - e. Residents need to be more cognizant of water usage and leaks**
 - f. Concerns about the health and safety of DG**
 - g. There were a show of majority hands accepting a water rate increase**
 - h. Residents in the past who protested past rate increases has caused additional harm to the DG Community**
 - i. State and County political representatives need to be involved**
 - j. There needs to be follow up meetings ongoing**
 - k. There were suggestions that community members donate money to WHWD**
 - l. Delinquent WHWD customers need to pay their bill**
 - m. Concerns that if water is shut off how is the Fire Dept assured of having water in the event of a fire**

At 1:33 p.m. Director M. Kovich motioned to adjourn the public meeting. M. George Johnson 2nd, Unanimously approved.

Respectfully submitted:



Mary Davies, Secretary of the Board



Mark Kovich, Board President