

September 13th, 2025

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

- Roll Call of Closed Session 10:00 a.m. adjourned at 11:10 a.m.
   M. Kovich, M. Oliver, M. George Johnson, and M. Davies in attendance. J. Frederick absent. In Attendance by teleconference were District Counsel Lemmo and Special Counsel Pearce
- 2. <u>Motion to approve published agenda</u>
  Unanimously approved by Board members in attendance
- Public Comments on Closed Session Items/Motion to adjourn to Closed Session
   No public comments. No attendees from Public.
- Closed session ended Closed session items 4 (A), (B), and (C)discussed and concluded
- Reconvened Open Session 12:00 p.m.
   Roll call was taken M. Kovich, M. Oliver, M. George Johnson, and M. Davies in attendance. J. Frederick absent. Approximately 30 in person attendees.
   Approximately 20 virtual attendees.
- 6. Reportable Actions Taken During Closed Session None
- 7. Consent Calendar
  - A. Motion to approve minutes of the August 9th and August 16th, 2025 special meeting. Motioned by M. Kovich. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Davies. Unanimously approved.

## 8. Public Comment on Agenda Items

Multiple attendees during the discussion of the agenda items made comments and asked question. The Board took this in consideration of when voting.

## 9. Agenda Items

- A. Director Kovich and Director Oliver to give community presentation on the status of:
  - 1. Kern County Water Agency
  - 2. City of Patterson Sewer
  - 3. Status of test well drilling Community member Doug Moore presented as well
  - 4. Status of Independent Financial Audits
- B. Consulting Engineer Jim Miller presentation regarding potential to revise and reduce the tiered water rate.
  - 1. Recommended new tier water rate
  - 2. Diablo Grande over usage of irrigation water
  - WHWD Board Consider Resolution 2025-07 revised tiered rate Motioned by M. Kovich, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Johnson, Unanimously approved.
- C. Consider approving payments of:
- (1) \$2200 to JR Wagner for Clubhouse fire sprinkler certification and testing. Payment from CFD funds Motioned by M. Kovich, 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Oliver, Unanimously approved.
- (2) \$1,000 for fire extinguisher certification payable to Jorgensen Company. Payment from CFD funds M. Kovich motioned only to add this amount to the CFD budget. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Oliver. Unanimously approved.
- D. Consider approving emergency expenditure of \$8,128 to Silveria Construction for securing Clubhouse pool. Payment from CFD funds Motioned by M. Kovich. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Oliver. Unanimously approved.
- E. Interview and appoint DG Development Coordinator There was only one applicant who is resident/homeowner Gina Scotland M. Kovich motioned. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Davies. Unanimously approved.
- F. Consider Resolution 2025-08 revising and updating the WHWD Conflict of Interest code Motioned by M. Kovich. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Oliver. Unanimously approved.
- G. Consider bids for pest control service at WHWD water treatment facility and office. The Board reviewed 2 proposals from Assured Pest Control and Ecolab. Motion was made by M. Oliver to award Ecolab the business. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Kovich. Unanimously approved.
- H. Consider revising CFD budget in the amount of \$45K for property and fire insurance for DG Clubhouse. Motioned by M. Oliver. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Kovich. Unanimously approved.
- I. Consider publishing WHWD customer list of delinquent accounts. The item was discussed passionately with the consensus from the public not to publish customer names. The public also expressed animatedly that the WHWD official published policy on delinquent accounts be adhered to M. Kovich motioned to adhere to the published policy. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Johnson. Unanimously approved.

- J. Consider revised water rate structure and water agreement of HOA and COA water charges. Motioned by M. Kovich to table. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Johnson. Unanimously approved.
- K. Discuss and vote on 63 HOA ballots and HOA candidates based on 63 custom lots owned by WHWD CFD. M. Oliver motioned to submit the ballots only as quorum and that no individual HOA candidate be selected. 2<sup>nd</sup> by M. Kovich. Unanimously approved.

At 1:59 p.m. Director M. George Johnson motioned to adjourn the public meeting. M. Kovich 2<sup>nd</sup>, Unanimously approved.

Respectfully summitted:

Lori Lawson, Secretary of the Board

Mark Kovich, Board President