

# WEST VALLEY COUNTY WATER

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## Minutes

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the West Valley County Water District (WVCWD) has been called for:

**Tuesday, August 26th, 2025, 7:00 pm  
25315 West Ideal Ave, Lancaster, CA 93536**

**CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.** The Regular Meeting of the West Valley County Water District was called to order at 7:08 PM. The Meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance.

### **ROLL CALL.**

Members present were President Brian Richmond, Secretary K. Hooker, and Director Jesse Kerr. Vice President Lisa Ballentine and Director T. Green were absent. General Manager F. Saenz was present. CRWA Executive Director Dan Demoss was and SUSP Regional Manager E. Garibay absent. Office Assistant E. Bachara and Office assistant/maintenance specialist K. Harvey were also present.

### **Board Business:**

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES.**

Secretary Hooker motioned to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting held on June 24th, 2025. The motion was seconded by Director Kerr. The motion was carried with 3 Ayes and 0 Noes. Secretary Hooker motioned to approve the Minutes of the Special Standby Meeting held on June 24th, 2025. The motion was seconded by Director Kerr. The motion was carried with 3 Ayes and 0 Noes

#### **APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT – July 2025.**

Secretary Hooker motioned to approve the Financial Report. The motion was seconded by Director Kerr. The motion was carried with 3 Ayes and 0 Noes

#### **PRESIDENT'S REPORT.**

President Richmond addressed public comments from the June 2025 board meeting. As well as reminding the directors and the public that the Water Board meetings are not a public forum, Robert's Rules of Orders must be followed, and only discussion of what is on the agenda is permitted. The board members duty is to the district and not the public. The public has time at the end of the meeting for comments, A response may be given if it is clear cut, if it is not, it will be addressed at the next meeting. However, no debates should take place during the public comments.

Public comments addressed:

1. Vehicle insurance is non-owned liability coverage-it covers the board members to and from meetings.

2. Acct 5076- public was concerned about phone price increase- business prices are different than residential prices, and on average cost more. Other service providers were investigated and Fronier is still the cheapest for now.
3. Hydrants sales- President Richmond is working with LA county to get repaid for water used during firefighting.
4. Acct 5602- What is it-it is contracted labor SUSP, McLain's Backhoe Rental, etc.
5. Surplus sales is now a separated line item.
6. District retaliation- the district will not retaliate when something is disputed: when the public has an issue with a bill or meter it is checked, tested and adjusted if needed.

## **GENERAL MANAGER'S & FIELD OPERATIONS REPORT.**

### **Field Operations Report:**

General Manager Saenz reported on the production for June and July, equipment failures, system repairs, meter replacements, customer lock offs and payment plan progress.

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS.** None

### **OLD BUSINESS.**

Secretary Hooker motioned to discuss the **Proposed 2025/2026 West Valley Operations Budget**. Director Kerr Seconded the motion. Discussed adding a line item for a budget for capital improvements in the future. As of now, the LAIF account is the account for savings for improvements.

Director motioned to approve the Proposed 2025/2026 West Valley Operations budget. Secretary Hooker seconded the motion. The motion was carried with 3 ayes and 0 noes.

### **NEW BUSINESS.**

None.

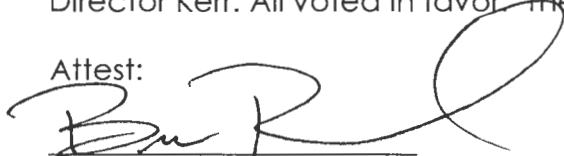
### **PUBLIC COMMENTS.**

None.

### **MEETING ADJOURNMENT.**

Secretary Hooker motioned to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Kerr. All voted in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 8:09 PM.

Attest:



President, B. Richmond

  
Secretary, K. Hooker