



MINUTES

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS LA PUENTE VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT 112 N. FIRST STREET, LA PUENTE, CALIFORNIA MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2023, AT 4:30 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Hernandez called the meeting to order at 4:30 pm.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Hernandez led the Pledge of Allegiance

3. ROLL CALL OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS

President	Vice President	Director	Director	Director
Hernandez	Rojas	Argudo	Barajas	Escalera
Present	Present	Absent	Present	Present

OTHERS PRESENT

Staff and Counsel: General Manager & Board Secretary, Roy Frausto; Customer Service & Accounting Supervisor, Shaunte Maldonado; HR Coordinator/Admin Assistant, Angelina Padilla; Operations & Maintenance Superintendent, Paul Zampiendo; Water Treatment & Supply Superintendent, Cesar Ortiz; and District Counsel, James Ciampa was present.

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Motion: Adopt Agenda as Presented.

1st: President Hernandez

2nd: Director Barajas

	President Hernandez	Vice President Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Barajas	Director Escalera
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

6. APPROVAL OF CONSENT CALENDAR

Motion: Adopt Consent Calendar as Presented.

1st: Director Escalera

2nd: Director Barajas

	President Hernandez	Vice President Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Barajas	Director Escalera
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

7. ACTION / DISCUSSION ITEMS

A. Consideration of Candidates for the Special District LAFCO Alternate Member for the Term Expiring in May 2026

Mr. Frausto presented to the Board the candidates for LAFCO’s alternate member. The Board discussed and directed the General Manager to vote for Stephen Brown.

Motion: Direct General Manager to Vote for Stephen Brown on behalf of the Board.

1st: Director Escalera

2nd: Director Barajas

	President Hernandez	Vice President Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Barajas	Director Escalera
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

B. Discussion Regarding District Staff Participation at an Event Hosted by Evans Food Group

Mr. Frausto and Ms. Maldonado presented to the Board the invitation to participate in an event for Evans Food Group’s employees. The Board agreed that this would be a good event for the District to participate in.

Motion: Direct Staff to Participate in this Event.

1st: President Hernandez

2nd: Director Barajas

	President Hernandez	Vice President Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Barajas	Director Escalera
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

C. Consideration of Rejecting Claim in the Matter of Cari McCormick

Mr. Frausto provided information on why the District will be rejecting this claim. Mr. Ciampa also explained that the District would be rejecting this claim on the basis that it does not apply to the District. He also directed staff to make a slight change in the Rejection Letter before sending it out.

Motion: Reject Claim
 1st: Director Escalera
 2nd: President Hernandez

	President Hernandez	Vice President Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Barajas	Director Escalera
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

8. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Zampello provided a summary of the operational and compliance activities for August and was available to answer any questions.

Motion: Receive and File
 1st: Director Barajas
 2nd: Director Argudo

	President Hernandez	Vice President Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Barajas	Director Escalera
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

9. TREATMENT AND SUPPLY SUPERINTENDENT’S REPORT

Mr. Ortiz provided a summary on the various ongoing projects and an update on the treatment plants and was available to answer any questions. During this time, Mr. Frausto gave a brief update on the potential change to Well #2. He noted that the EPA requested that Well #2 have an increase in production. Mr. Frausto explained that if a change were to be made, the Board would be informed.

Motion: Receive and File
 1st: President Hernandez
 2nd: Director Barajas

	President Hernandez	Vice President Rojas	Director Argudo	Director Barajas	Director Escalera
Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

Motion carried by a vote of: 5 Yes, 0 No, 0 Abstain, 0 Absent

10. PUBLIC OUTREACH REPORT

Ms. Padilla provided a summary on the social media stats for the month of August.

11. GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT

Mr. Frausto provided a summary to the Board on various topics, including the snowpack and BPOU budget, and gave an overview on his August activities.

12. OTHER ITEMS

A. Upcoming Events.

Ms. Padilla went over the upcoming events and verified the attendance of the Board to these events.

B. Information Items.

Included in the Board packet.

13. ATTORNEY’S COMMENTS

Mr. Ciampa reported on some state water board regulations that will be coming but noted that PWAG would handle the discussion. He also noted that through the trailer bill the COVID emergence program has been extended through December.

14. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

A. Report on Events Attended.

Vice President Rojas reported his attendance at the First District COB Meeting

B. Other Comments.

None.

15. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

None.

16. ADJOURNMENT

President Henry P. Hernandez adjourned the meeting at 5:02 pm.

Attest:

Henry P. Hernandez, Board President

Roy Frausto, Board Secretary