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Board of Directors Meeting
June 17, 2026, 6:00 p.m.

City of Watsonville
Council Chambers
275 Main St., 4th Floor
Watsonville, CA

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES

1. **Call to Order:** The Regular Board Meeting of Pajaro Valley Water Management Agency was called to order at 6:07 p.m. by Chair Rider, at City of Watsonville Council Chambers, 275 Main Street, 4th Floor, Watsonville, California.

2. **Roll call of the PV Water Directors:**

Board Members Present:	Stephen Rider, Chair C.J. Miller, Vice Chair Bob Culbertson, Treasurer Amy Newell, Director Tom Broz, Director Mary Bannister, Director Nolberto Hernandez, Director
Board Members Absent:	None
Staff Members Present:	Brian Lockwood, General Manager (GM) Corin Hammond, Executive Assistant/Board Secretary (EA/BS) Marcus Mendiola, Water Conservation and Outreach Specialist (WCOS) Shinehah Bigham, Operations & Maintenance Manager (OMM) Pricilla Sanchez, Financial Analyst (FA)
Others Present:	Anthony Condotti, Agency Counsel (AC) Robert Rodoni, Public
Via Teleconference:	Tom Rider, Public Michael Miller, Public Jennifer Ivey, Consultant, Carollo Engineers

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Oral Communications:**
Robert Rodoni commented about two items: 1) pipeline easements and 2) a request to Board to develop an online platform for growers to place and track water orders.

5. **Closed Session – 4 Items:**

   A. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation – (Cal. Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(1))**
   Name of case: Mountain Cascade, Inc. v. PV Water – Case 01-25-0009-3092

   B. **Conference with Real Property Negotiators – (Cal. Gov't Code §54954.5 & 54956.8)**

   C. **Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation**
   Initiation of Litigation Pursuant to Gov't Code § 54956.9(d)(4)
   (1 *potential case)*

   D. **Public Employment/Conference with Labor Negotiators**
   (Cal. Govt. Code §§54957, 54957.6)
   Title: General Manager

Open Session resumed at 7:47 p.m.

Report on Closed Session: AC Condotti reported that the Board of Directors discussed Item 5, A – D with no reportable actions.

6. **Director Comments:** None

7. **Counsel Report:** None

8. **General Manager Report:**
GM Lockwood reported that the Finance and Administrative Services Manager (FASM) position has been posted on PV Water's website and noted upcoming community events, including the Santa Cruz County Farm Bureau 109th Annual Meeting on June 25 and the Pajaro Valley Chamber of Commerce and Agriculture 64th Annual Awards Dinner and Auction on July 18.

9. **Consent Agenda**
   A. Approve May 20, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes
   B. Approve Financial Reports
   C. Approve Proposed Budget Amendments for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2026
   D. Adopt Resolutions 2026-05 & 2026-06, Certifying Compliance with State Law with Respect to the Levying of General and Special Taxes, Assessments, and Property-Related Fees and Charges (Management Fees)
   E. Adopt Resolution 2026-07, Ordering an Election and Requesting Santa Cruz County to Conduct the Election, and Requesting Consolidation of the Election

   Action: Director Newell moved to approve the Consent Agenda as presented; Director Culbertson seconded the motion.

   Motion carried by the following voice vote:

   AYES: Rider, Miller, Culbertson, Newell, Broz, Bannister, Hernandez
   NOES: None
   ABSENT: None
   ABSTAIN: None

10. **Informational Items**

A. Receive Projects & Programs Update

GM Lockwood relayed updates on Projects & Programs as outlined starting on page 35 of the Agenda Packet and emphasized a very successful MLRP community outreach event on June 10.

11. Discussion and/or Action Items

A. Consider Adoption of 2026 Cost of Service Rate Study, and Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-08 Amending Procedures for Public Hearing, Notice, and Protest Concerning Proposed Revisions to Augmentation Charge and Delivered Water Charge

1. Introduction by staff
   GM Lockwood provided a historical overview of prior rate-setting efforts and their relationship to compliance with Propositions 218 and 26 respectively. He noted that the notices required under these propositions will be distributed through PV Water's outgoing June bills, and other communication channels, including posting in the Pajaronian. He then introduced Jennifer Ivey of Carollo Engineers, who presented information regarding the rate-setting process, committee involvement, and the resulting recommendations. GM Lockwood reviewed Resolution 2026-08, located on page 42 of the agenda packet, and presented an updated redlined version incorporating revisions related to AB 2257. AC Condotti provided an overview of the requirements and provisions of SB 323 as well as AB 2257 and explained their respective relationships to Propositions 218 and 26.
2. Questions from Board - none
3. Public comment - none
4. Board discussion and deliberation - none
5. Board action

Action: Director Newell moved to adopt the 2026 Cost of Service Rate Study, and adopt Resolution No. 2026-08 Amending Procedures for Public Hearing, Notice, and Protest Concerning Proposed Revisions to Augmentation Charge and Delivered Water Charge; Director Broz seconded the motion.

Motion passed by the following voice vote:

AYES:	Rider, Miller, Culbertson, Newell, Broz, Bannister, Hernandez
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

B. Conduct Public Hearing on Agency Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2027, and Consider Adopting the Budget

1. Introduction by staff
   GM Lockwood presented the proposed final budget and reported that no changes had been made since the proposed budget was presented last month.
   Chair Rider opened the public hearing. No public comments were received. Chair Rider then closed the public hearing.
2. Questions from Board - none
3. Public comment - none
4. Board discussion and deliberation - none
5. Board action

Action: Director Bannister moved to adopt the Final Budget for Fiscal Year Ending June 30, 2027; Director Hernandez seconded the motion.

Motion passed by the following voice vote:

AYES:	Rider, Miller, Culbertson, Newell, Broz, Bannister, Hernandez
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

C. Consider Two Agreements to Acquire Chemicals for Operations at the College Lake Project Water Treatment Plant through June 30, 2027, including with Univar Solutions USA, LLC for Purchase of Sodium Hypochlorite in an Amount Not to Exceed $228,000, and Chemtrade Chemicals US, LLC, for Aluminum Sulfate in an Amount Not to Exceed $47,000

1. Introduction by staff
   GM Lockwood reviewed PV Water's participation in the Bay Area Chemical Consortium (BACC) and the resulting agreements, as outlined beginning on page 55 of the agenda packet.
2. Questions from Board - none
3. Public comment - none
4. Board discussion and deliberation - none
5. Board action

Action: Director Miller moved to Approve Two Agreements to Acquire Chemicals for Operations at the College Lake Project Water Treatment Plant through June 30, 2027, including with Univar Solutions USA, LLC for Purchase of Sodium Hypochlorite in an Amount Not to Exceed $228,000, and Chemtrade Chemicals US, LLC, for Aluminum Sulfate in an Amount Not to Exceed $47,000; Director Culbertson seconded the motion.

Motion passed by the following voice vote:

AYES:	Rider, Miller, Culbertson, Newell, Broz, Bannister, Hernandez
NOES:	None
ABSENT:	None
ABSTAIN:	None

12. Monthly Reports/Presentations

A. Facility Operations Report
OMM Bigham presented the February 2026 Production Monthly Summary as outlined on page 81 of the agenda packet.

B. Board Committee Reports are available at www.pvwater.org

C. Public Outreach Update
WCOS Mendiola reported on recent tours of the Recycled Water Facility and noted he is looking forward to PV Water's participation in the upcoming county fair.

13. Correspondence

Correspondence may be found on page 82 of the agenda packet.

14. Future Meetings

- **A.** Projects & Facility Operations Committee Meeting, Wednesday, June 24, 2026, 3:00 p.m., Water Resources Center, 500 Clearwater Lane, Watsonville
- **B.** Administration & Finance Committee, Tuesday, July 7, 2026, 3:00 p.m., PV Water Conference Room, 36 Brennan St., Watsonville
- **C.** Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday, July 15, 2026, 7:00 p.m., City Council Chambers, 275 Main Street, 4th Floor, Watsonville
- **D.** Projects & Facility Operations Committee Meeting, Wednesday, July 29, 2026, 3:00 p.m., Water Resources Center, 500 Clearwater Lane, Watsonville

Adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

Corin Hammond, Board Secretary

July 15, 2026

Date Approved