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Board of Directors Meeting
August 19, 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 6:04 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 (arrived at 6:48 p.m.) 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) Shinehah Bigham, Operations & Maintenance Manager (OMM)
Others Present:	Dana Salas, Public
Via Teleconference:	Victoria Thompson, Agency Counsel (AC) John Darling, Agency Counsel (AC) Tom Rider, Public

3. **Pledge of Allegiance**

4. **Oral Communications:** None

5. **Director Comments:** None

6. **Counsel Report:** None

7. General Manager Report:

GM Lockwood reported on the recruitment and selection of a new Finance & Administrative Services Manager, noting that an offer has been extended and accepted. The candidate, who most recently served as the Assistant Controller for the County of Monterey, is anticipated to commence employment on August 31, 2026. She will overlap with FASM Trevino for about a month before FASM Trevino's retirement; this will provide an excellent opportunity for training, leading to better continuity in the position.

8. Consent Agenda

A. Approve July 15, 2026, Board Meeting Minutes

B. Approve Financial Reports

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

9. Discussion and/or Action Items: None

10. Informational Items

A. Receive Projects & Programs Update

GM Lockwood reviewed the Projects and Programs report (Agenda Packet, page 25), highlighting the successful approval of the coastal development permit through the County and Coastal Commission without protest, and the recent acquisition and closing of a property for the Watsonville Slough System Managed Aquifer Recharge & Recovery (WSS-MARR) project.

11. Monthly Reports/Presentations

A. Facility Operations Report

OMM Bigham reported that PV Water is currently in the peak busy season with extensive testing underway and noted that Supplemental Well 2 is fully operational.

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

C. Public Outreach Update

GM Lockwood reported that PV Water will host two Rate Setting Community Meetings on Wednesday, September 2, 2026, at 3:30 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. at the Civic Plaza Community Room A. These sessions are designed to provide information on the rate-setting process and gather community input prior to the September 16, 2026, Board of Directors meeting, which will feature a public hearing on the proposed rates and consideration of adopting the rate-setting ordinances.

12. Closed Session – 1 Item:

A. Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

(Cal. Govt. Code § 54956.9(d)(1))

Name of case: Mountain Cascade, Inc. v. PV Water – Case 01-25-0009-3092r

Open Session resumed at 8:30 p.m.

Report on Closed Session: AC Thompson reported that the Board of Directors discussed Item 12A; there was no reportable action.

13. Correspondence

Correspondence may be found on page 28 of the agenda packet.

14. Future Meetings

- **A.** Rate Setting Community Meetings, Wednesday, September 2, 2026, 3:00 p.m. & 6:30 p.m., Community Room A, 275 Main Street, 4th Floor, Watsonville
- **B.** Projects & Facility Operations Committee Meeting, Wednesday, August 26, 2026, 3:00 p.m., Water Resources Center, 500 Clearwater Lane, Watsonville
- **C.** Administration & Finance Committee, Tuesday, September 8, 2026, 3:00 p.m., PV Water Conference Room, 36 Brennan St., Watsonville
- **D.** Board of Directors Meeting, Wednesday, September 16, 2026, 7:00 p.m., City Council Chambers, 275 Main Street, 4th Floor, Watsonville
- **E.** Projects & Facility Operations Committee Meeting, Wednesday, September 30, 2026, 3:00 p.m., Water Resources Center, 500 Clearwater Lane, Watsonville

Adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Corin Hammond, Board Secretary

September 16, 2026

Date Approved