

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
GARFIELD WATER DISTRICT  
March 23, 2026**

1. President Pat Ricchiuti called the meeting to order at 12:45 p.m. In attendance were Directors Karl Kienow, Bill Smittcamp, and Palmer Lien. Director Mark Johnson and Engineer/Watermaster Nick Keller were absent. Attorney Doug Jensen and Secretary Paul Woodworth were also present.

2. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Karl Kienow and seconded by Palmer Lien to approve the minutes of the February 17, 2026 meeting. The Directors present unanimously approved the motion. Director Johnson was absent.

3. Business and Presentations from the Floor

None.

4. Additions to the Agenda

None.

It was moved by Bill Smittcamp and seconded by Karl Kienow to approve the agenda. The Directors present unanimously approved the motion. Director Johnson was absent.

5. Potential Conflicts of Interest - Board members were asked if any conflicts of interest existed.

Pat Ricchiuti and Bill Smittcamp identified a potential conflict of interest on agenda Item 10(b) due to owning property within 500 feet. No discussion will occur.

6. Correspondence

A. Fair Political Practices Commission – Mr. Woodworth presented the Form 700 reminder notice to the Board and provided the due date for the Form 700s by all Board members.

B. State Compensation Insurance Fund (SCIF) – Mr. Woodworth informed the Board that SCIF converted the District’s billing cycle from quarterly to annual as requested.

C. Consolidated Mosquito Abatement District – Mr. Woodworth presented the application and spray notice to the Board.

D. CSDA Special District Leadership Academy Conference Flyer - Mr. Woodworth presented the flyer to the Board.

E. CRWA Apprenticeship Program Flyer - Mr. Woodworth presented the flyer to the Board.

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7. Financial Reports

A-H. Mr. Woodworth presented the monthly financials. Mr. Woodworth updated the Board on the District's operating funds cash balance, bank reconciliations, and profit and loss statement.

Mr. Woodworth informed the Board an additional assessment check was received from Fresno County. Mr. Woodworth is awaiting the payment detail from the County's accounting department.

Mr. Woodworth notified the Board that the District still has not received the August or October 2025 invoices due to the recent government shutdown, which affects the District's year-to-date water expenses and net income. Mr. Woodworth and the Board discussed the accounting method used by the District to record the BOR invoices. Mr. Woodworth will coordinate with Nick Keller to reach out to the Bureau of Reclamation (BOR) to obtain the August and October 2025 water invoices.

Mr. Woodworth notified the board that the District received the Sunnyside 40, LLC water invoice payment on its outstanding balance.

Mr. Woodworth informed the Board that he contacted the Kaweah Delta Water Conservation District (KDWCD) regarding its outstanding invoice payment. The KDWCD accounting clerk will research the past due invoice.

Mr. Woodworth reviewed the interest earned on the US Bank and Valley Strong Credit Union money market accounts.

Mr. Woodworth transferred the B of A savings account balance to the Valley Strong Credit Union money market account. Mr. Woodworth will coordinate with President Ricchiuti to close out the B of A savings account.

It was moved by Palmer Lien and seconded by Karl Kienow to accept the monthly financial reports. The Directors present unanimously approved the motion. Director Johnson was absent.

8. Bills to Pay

Mr. Woodworth provided the Board with the monthly bill payment report for approval.

It was moved by Bill Smittcamp and seconded by Palmer Lien to approve the bill payments. The Directors present unanimously approved the motion. Director Johnson was absent.

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9. Water Master Report

A. Mr. Woodworth reported 36 AF of usage for February 2026. Friant Water Authority (FWA) reported 36 AF of usage. FWA reported year-to-date usage of 1,773 AF.

B. Director Lien stated the Bureau of Reclamation had issued a 100% allocation.

The Board directed Mr. Woodworth to send out the 2026-2027 water order application forms based on the 100% allocation announcement by the BOR.

10. Continuing Business to consider and take action

A. North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Mr. Kienow was unable to attend the February 2026 Board meeting.

Mr. Jensen discussed the McMullin Area GSA (MAGSA) overflow and allocation plans.

B. Ad hoc Committee – City of Clovis

No discussion or action taken. These items will be added to the next Board meeting agenda.

11. New Business

A. Department of Water Resources (DWR) – Annual Report Deadline Notice - Mr. Woodworth presented the notice to the Board. Mr. Woodworth noted that the District's and FWA's 2025-2026 annual usage was below the reporting threshold of 2,000 AF of acres served and water delivered. Mr. Woodworth will submit the District's written response to the DWR.

No action taken. This item will be removed from next month's Board meeting agenda.

B. Glatfelter CRWA Insurance Renewal - Mr. Woodworth presented the CRWRMA policy renewal declaration pages to the Board. Mr. Woodworth reviewed the policy limits and noted Director Johnson reviewed the renewal packet and recommended its approval.

It was moved by Karl Kienow and seconded by Bill Smittcamp to approve the Glatfelter CRWRMA renewal packet and submit the premium payment approved under Item 8(a). The Directors present unanimously approved the motion. Director Johnson was absent.

12. Public Hearing

None.

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13. Closed Session

A. The Board went into closed session at 1:37 p.m. to discuss anticipated litigation with legal counsel.

The Board came out of closed session at 1:38 p.m. with no reportable action.

14. Next meeting is scheduled for April 21, 2026 and it will be held at P-R Farms, 2917 Shepherd Avenue, Clovis, California at 12:30 p.m.

15. The meeting adjourned at 1:46 p.m.