

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
GARFIELD WATER DISTRICT
July 21, 2026**

1. President Pat Ricchiuti called the meeting to order at 12:44 p.m. In attendance were Directors Karl Kienow, Bill Smittcamp, and Palmer Lien. Director Mark Johnson was absent. Attorney Doug Jensen, Engineer/Watermaster Dennis Keller, and Secretary Paul Woodworth were also present.

2. Approval of Minutes

It was moved by Palmer Lien and seconded by Bill Smittcamp to approve the minutes of the June 23, 2026 meeting. The Directors present unanimously approved the motion. Director Johnson was absent.

3. Business and Presentations from the Floor

None.

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

None. Any discussions occurring will avoid any item involving a possible conflict of interest.

5. Correspondence

A. California Special District Association (CSDA) Annual Conference – Flyer - Mr. Woodworth presented the flyer to the Board.

B. Doman Name Services – Solicitation – Mr. Woodworth informed the Board the service is not necessary as the District's website service provider, Streamline, provides it with domain registration services.

C. Bank of America – Line of Credit Offer - Mr. Woodworth presented the offer to the Board. Mr. Woodworth will contact the District's account representative to determine if the offer is available to the District.

D. Chevron 811 Pipeline Safety Flyer – Mr. Woodworth presented the safety flyer to the Board.

E. SoCalGas 811 Pipeline Safety Flyer – Mr. Woodworth presented the safety flyer to the Board.

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6. 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 noted the profit and loss statement does not include the June 2026 water sales/usage due to a delay in the meter reading submission. Mr. Woodworth will include the revised May 2026 and June 2026 water usage in the July 2026 financials, and update the year-to-date figures.

Mr. Woodworth reviewed the assessment accounts receivable. Mr. Woodworth notified the Board the District received the County's payment detail report for the third property assessment payment. Mr. Woodworth will post the payments as allocated by the County.

Mr. Woodworth also informed the Board the fourth payment received from the County was a penalty and interest payment allocation and not affiliated with a specific property.

Mr. Woodworth discussed the District's water accounts receivables. Mr. Woodworth noted he provided Mr. Keller with duplicate copies of the past due invoices for Tri Valley Water District's (TVWD) invoices.

Mr. Woodworth notified the Board that the District did not receive its water usage invoices from the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (BOR). Mr. Woodworth noted he requested the past due invoices from the BOR accounting staff via email.

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

Mr. Woodworth presented two Bank of America (B of A) certificate of deposit (CD) options to the board: the 7-month Featured CD with an interest rate of 3.80% and the 12-month Flexible CD with an interest rate of 3.51%. Mr. Woodworth stated the Featured CD has a 6-month early withdrawal penalty if funds are removed prior to its maturity date. The Flexible CD allows the District to withdraw its funds without penalty after six days from the account opening. Mr. Woodworth recommended the Flexible CD option due to its longer maturity date and the ability to use the funds in the event of an urgent repair need.

It was moved by Palmer Lien and seconded by Karl Kienow to accept the monthly financial reports and to allow Mr. Woodworth to open the B of A 12-month Flexible CD with an interest rate of 3.51%. The Directors present unanimously approved the motion. Director Johnson was absent.

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7. Bills to Pay

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

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

8. Water Master Report

A. Friant Water Authority (FWA) also reported 267 AF of usage for June 2026.

B. Mr. Keller noted there is no change to the District's allocation at this time. Mr. Keller noted the BOR may not allow carry-over next year and that his staff will monitor the carry-over status. Mr. Keller recommended parking any remaining water at the end of the current water year.

Mr. Keller notified the Board the canal will shutdown by November 7th, 2026 and re-open on February 1, 2027.

9. Continuing Business to consider and take action

A. North Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Mr. Kienow stated the June meetings were cancelled.

Mr. Keller noted Nick Keller attended the Advisory Committee and will provide an update at the next Board meeting.

No discussion or action taken. This item will be added to the next Board meeting agenda.

B. Ad hoc Committee – City of Clovis

Mr. Keller stated the Ad hoc Committee members and legal counsel met in July to discuss his report. Mr. Keller discussed the report topics including the option to convert the District's current contract to an agriculture contract to allow for a future disposition, partial sale of the District's annual BOR water allocation to another District, and movement of water via the cross-valley canal.

Mr. Keller will develop a long-term plan to accomplish the District's goals per the direction of the Ad hoc Committee members.

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C. 2026-2027 Annual Assessment – Fresno County Special Assessments Special Tax Packet

Mr. Woodworth submitted the Intent Form A and board resolution to the County's Tax Collector's office. Mr. Woodworth received confirmation of receipt. The County's representative requested the direct charges spreadsheet be submitted after the release of the Invalid APN list. Mr. Woodworth will submit the final packet upon receipt and review of the Invalid APN report.

No action taken. This item will be added to the next Board meeting agenda.

10. New Business

A. Official State Social Security Administrator – CALPER Annual Information Request

Mr. Woodworth presented the Annual Information Request reporting packet to the Board. Mr. Woodworth noted that the District has no employees and does not participate in CALPERS. Mr. Woodworth requested a motion to approve the report filing as presented.

It was moved by Bill Smittcamp and seconded by Palmer Lien to approve the submission of the Annual Information Request as presented to the Official State Social Security Administrator. The Directors present unanimously approved the motion. Director Johnson was absent.

11. Public Hearing

A. None.

12. Closed Session

A. None.

13. Next meeting is scheduled for August 18, 2026 and it will be held at P-R Farms, 2917 Shepherd Avenue, Clovis, California at 12:30 p.m.

14. The meeting adjourned at 1:59 p.m.