



FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING

MINUTES

MONDAY, APRIL 27, 2026
4:00 P.M.

FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
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I. PRELIMINARY FUNCTIONS

CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL / ESTABLISH A QUORUM

President Endter called the April Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Public Utility District to order at 4:00 p.m.

A quorum was established, and attendance was as follows:

Board of Directors

Present: Ken Endter, Member/President
Dave Baxter, Member/Vice President
Jennifer DeMeo, Member
Don McDougal, Member
Charley Wolk, Member

Absent: None

General Counsel/District Staff

Present: Jack Bebee, General Manager
David Lloyd, Acting General Counsel
Dave Shank, Assistant General Manager/CFO
Ryan Berry, Maintenance Technician I
Jodi Brown, Management Analyst
Isabel Casteran, Safety and Risk Officer
Aaron Cook, Engineering Manager
Mark Delgado, Plant Operator-In-Training
Noelle Denke, Public Information Officer
Thomas Garcia, Electrical & Controls Technician I
Ken Hubbard, Warehouse and Purchasing Specialist
Michael Johnson, Maintenance Technician I
Aleck Leigan, Maintenance Technician I
John Marchetta, Human Resources Manager
Erick Solis, Plant Operator-In-Training
Steve Wuerth, Maintenance & Electrical Manager

Lauren Eckert, Executive Assistant/Board Secretary

Also present were others, including, but not limited to: William Bright and Mark Mervich

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Endter led the Pledge of Allegiance.

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA PER GC § 54954.2(b)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

MOTION: Director McDougal moved to approve the agenda, as presented; Director Wolk seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, McDougal, and Wolk

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

PUBLIC COMMENT

Members of the public are invited to address the Board of Directors on any item that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the legislative body. The Board President may limit comments to three (3) minutes.

There were no public comments on non-agenda items.

There were no public comments on agenda items A–B.

A. NEW EMPLOYEE ANNOUNCEMENT

1. Erick Solis, Plant Operator-In-Training
2. Mark Delgado, Plant Operator-In-Training
3. David Troutt, Plant Operator-In-Training
4. Jesse Amezcua, Plant Operator II
5. Nate McNair, Plant Operator II
6. Thomas Garcia, Electrical & Controls Technician I
7. Ryan Berry, Maintenance Technician I
8. Aleck Leigan, Maintenance Technician I
9. Michael Johnson, Maintenance Technician I

The Board welcomed Erick Solis, Mark Delgado, and David Troutt as new Plant Operators-In-Training, Jesse Amezcua and Nate McNair as new Plant Operators II, Thomas Garcia as the new Electrical & Controls Technician I, and Ryan Berry, Aleck Leigan, and Michael Johnson as new Maintenance Technicians I.

- B. YEARS OF SERVICE
 - 1. Ken Hubbard – 20 Years

The Board recognized Ken Hubbard for his 20 years of service to the District.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR-----(ITEM C)****

All items appearing on the Consent Calendar may be disposed of by a single motion. Items shall be removed from the Consent Calendar if any member of the Board of Directors or the public requests removal prior to a vote on a motion to approve the items. Such items shall be considered separately for action by the Board.

- C. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES
 - 1. March 23, 2026 Regular Board Meeting
 - 2. April 6, 2026 Special Board Meeting
 - 3. April 8, 2026 Special Board Meeting

Recommendation: *That the Board approve the minutes of the aforementioned meetings of the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Public Utility District.*

There were no public comments on Consent Calendar items.

MOTION: Director Baxter moved to approve the Consent Calendar, as presented; Director McDougal seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, McDougal, and Wolk
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

III. INFORMATION-----(ITEM D)****

- D. REVIEW PRELIMINARY DRAFT FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 OPERATING AND CAPITAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES

Presented by: *Dave Shank, Assistant General Manager/CFO*

There were no public comments on agenda item D.

AGM/CFO Shank and Engineering Manager Cook presented a slideshow reviewing the preliminary draft Fiscal Year 2026-27 Operating and Capital Budget Expenditures.

Director Wolk asked if we were dumping recycled water because have no demand. General Manager Bebee confirmed we have recycled water that we can't utilize because there is not enough demand. Director Wolk confirmed the water goes out the outfall.

Director McDougal asked about metrics for Camp Pendleton. General Manager Bebee responded that we would develop and track metrics, but it is hard to compare historical data, as we just took over the operations. Eventually, the work and projects that we have done will be presented to the Board.

Director Wolk asked if there was a requirement for Camp Pendleton to report spill or if we have to do the reporting. General Manager Bebee responded that we would be the ones reporting any spills.

IV. ACTION / DISCUSSION CALENDAR ----- (ITEMS E-I)

E. CONSIDER CUSTOMER REQUEST FOR BILL ADJUSTMENT – 1655 WILLOW GLEN RD

Recommendation: Staff will support Board direction on this item.

General Manager Bebee provided an overview of this item, including this was a property that was sold with a past due balance, and the new property owners inherited the past due balance. He noted that the District has sent correspondence to real estate agents in the area reminding them of the process for checking for past due balances before the close of escrow.

William Bright addressed the Board via Zoom to provide more context and background of this issue.

General Manager Bebee did confirm that when this comes up that we send someone to visit the property to physically read the meter, and it would be a very rare occurrence that their readings would be incorrect.

Director Wolk requested staff work with BB&K to produce a letter citing the real estate laws and a bill to send to the seller's real estate agent and broker. He believed the agents and brokers need to comply with the law, and they are not doing so. Director Wolk suggested we publish an article in the newspaper as well afterwards.

Acting General Counsel Lloyd confirmed Director Wolk wanted the District to forgive the balance and then pursue collection from the real estate agent. Director Wolk stated that was correct.

MOTION: Director McDougal moved to waive the past due balance of \$1,092.49; Director DeMeo seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, McDougal, and Wolk

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

F. CONSIDER UPDATE OF EMERGENCY DECLARATION FOR PIPELINE REPLACEMENT

Recommendation: The recommended action is for the Board to continue the emergency action to replace the failed pipelines.

There were no public comments on agenda item F.

General Manager Bebee reported this project is ongoing and will likely last another month or two.

MOTION: Director McDougal moved to continue the emergency action to replace the failed pipelines; Director Wolk seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, McDougal, and Wolk

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

G. CONSIDER AWARD OF THE WATER RECLAMATION PLANT CREEK CROSSING REPLACEMENT PROJECT

Recommendation: That the Board award the WRP Creek Crossing Replacement Project to the lowest responsible bidder, M Rae Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$397,000.

There were no public comments on agenda item G.

General Manager Bebee reported this item went through the Engineering and Operations Committee. He noted this was a previously bid project that we realized the valve spec was too high-end for what we needed. Therefore, we had to rebid the project.

MOTION: Director DeMeo moved to award the WRP Creek Crossing Replacement Project to the lowest responsible bidder, M Rae

Engineering, Inc. in the amount of \$397,000; Director McDougal seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, McDougal, and Wolk
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

H. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF LETTER OF CONCERN OVER RATE IMPACTS OF THE PURE WATER SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA PROJECT

Recommendation: That the Board consider approval of the attached letter with any suggested modifications.

There were no public comments on agenda item H.

MOTION: Director Baxter moved to approve a letter of concern over rate impacts of the Pure Water Southern California Project; Director Wolk seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, McDougal, and Wolk
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

I. DISCUSS MAY AND JUNE REGULAR BOARD MEETING DATES

Recommendation: Staff supports Board direction.

There were no public comments on agenda item I.

General Manager Bebee reported there were a couple of upcoming conflicts with the May and June Board meeting dates. He noted it was suggested to move the May Board meeting to Wednesday, May 20, 2026 and the June meeting to Monday, June 29, 2026.

MOTION: Director McDougal moved to reschedule the May regular Board meeting to May 20, 2026 and the June regular Board meeting to June 29, 2026; Director Wolk seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, McDougal, and Wolk
NOES: None
ABSTAIN: None
ABSENT: None

V. ORAL/WRITTEN REPORTS------(ITEMS 1-7)

1. General Counsel
2. General Manager
 - a. EMWD/MWD Update
 - b. Engineering and Operations Report
 - c. Federal Funding Update
3. Assistant General Manager/Chief Financial Officer
 - a. Financial Summary Report
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - c. Budget Status Report
 - d. Warrant List
 - AGM/CFO Shank noted recycled water sales were great last month.
4. Public Information Officer
 - PIO Denke reported on participation at community events.
5. Notice of Approval of Per Diem for Meetings Attended
 - Notification of approval for Directors' attendance to the ADA-accessible ramp ribbon cutting event at the Fallbrook Regional Health District with the Community Benefit Program Committee on April 3, 2026.
6. Director Comments/Reports on Meetings Attended
 - Director McDougal asked about an article he read about the Upper Colorado Basin releasing water . General Manager Bebee stated they are doing a release from the upper reservoir (Powell) into the lower reservoir (Mead) to maintain power generation.
7. Miscellaneous

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 5:07 p.m. following an oral announcement of Items VI. 1 through 3, from Acting General Counsel Lloyd.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION

VI. CLOSED SESSION -----(ITEMS 1-3)

1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957:

Discuss Performance Evaluation of General Manager
2. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION PER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957:

Discuss Performance Evaluation of General Counsel
3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/DISMISSAL/RELEASE PER GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957

EMPLOYEE TERMINATION APPEAL HEARING

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION

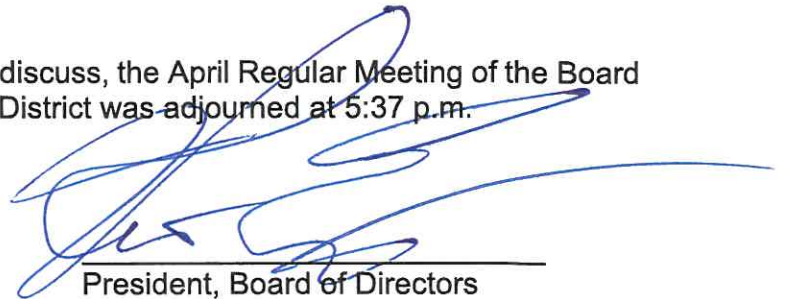
The Board came out of closed session and reconvened to open session at 5:36 p.m.

REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION (*As Necessary*)

There was no reportable action on Closed Session Items VI.1 and VI.2. For Closed Session Item VI.3, the Board voted unanimously (5-0) to deny the disciplinary appeal and uphold the discipline imposed by the District on the employee. The position affected is Plant Operator.

VII. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business to discuss, the April Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Public Utility District was adjourned at 5:37 p.m.



President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Secretary, Board of Directors