

1 MINUTES OF THE SIX HUNDRED AND SIXTIETH REGULAR MEETING OF THE
2 BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE RIO ALTO WATER DISTRICT HELD ON
3 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2024, AT 6:30 P.M., AT THE DISTRICT BOARD ROOM.
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6 DIRECTORS PRESENT:

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8 Rick Brubaker, President
9 Ginny Mercer, Vice-President
10 Louise Wilkinson, Director
11 Peter Suggs, Director
12 Drew Battles, Director
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14 STAFF PRESENT:

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16 Martha Slack, General Manager
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19 ALSO PRESENT:

20 Kathy Bezayiff, Resident
21 Roger Horton, Resident
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23 ABSENT:

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25 No absences
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27 Agenda Item #1 – Public Comment. No public comment.

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29 Agenda Item #2 – Approval of Excused Absences. No absences.

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31 Agenda Item #3 – Manager’s Report. The Manager presented the Manager’s Report through
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33 September 20, 2024, and updated the Directors on the ACWA Risk Assessment visit held on
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35 Tuesday.
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38 Agenda Item#4 – Approval of the Minutes of the Six Hundred and Fifty Ninth Regular Board

39 Meeting Held on August 14, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. in the District Board Room. Director

1 Wilkinson made a motion to approve the Minutes of the Six Hundred and Fifty Ninth Regular
2 Board Meeting held on August 14, 2024, seconded by Director Suggs. The motion carried (5-0).

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4 Agenda Item #5 – Approval of the August Disbursement Reports. Director Wilkinson made a
5 motion to approve the August Disbursement Reports, seconded by Vice-President Mercer. The
6 motion carried (5-0).

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8 Agenda Item #6 – Review and Possible Approval of the Amended District Conflict of Interest
9 Code. Vice-President Mercer made a motion to approve the Amended District Conflict of
10 Interest Code, seconded by Director Wilkinson. The motion carried (5-0).

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12 Agenda Item #7- Confirm Dates for New Ad Hoc Committee Meetings. Director Suggs informed
13 the Directors and Staff that he would be unable to attend the Disaster Preparedness Ad Hoc
14 Committee meeting on November 19th and the November Board Meeting if it is to be held on
15 the 20th. Director Battles stated that he would be unable to attend the November Board Meeting
16 on that date also. It was suggested the November Ad Hoc Committee Meetings be moved up a
17 week to the 12th of November. It was determined that all committee members would be able to
18 attend the Ad Hoc Meetings if they were changed to November 12th. It was also determined that
19 all members would be able to attend the November Board meeting if it was moved up to
20 November 13th. Vice-President Mercer made a motion to change the November Ad Hoc

1 Committee meetings to November 12th and to move the Regular Board Meeting to November
2 13th, seconded by Director Wilkinson. The motion carried (5-0).

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4 Agenda Item #8 Communications:

5 Staff: The Manager asked Director Battles what days are best for his tour of the District Water
6 Facilities. Director Battles responded that Wednesdays and Thursdays are his best days.
7 Director Suggs added that he would like to attend the tour. The General Manager told the
8 two Directors. that she would check with the Lead Water Operator and she get back to
9 them with tentative dates. A member of the audience asked if he could attend, but the
10 General Manager stated that might not be possible due to security reasons.

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12 Directors: President Brubaker asked the General Manager if she would like to join him at
13 the next Bella Vista Board Meeting being held on Monday the 30th. The General
14 Manager replied that she would check her calendar.

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16 Having no further business to discuss, Vice-President Mercer made a motion to adjourn the
17 meeting at 7:20 p.m., seconded by Director Wilkinson. The motion carried. (5-0).

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19 Sincerely,

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22 Martha Slack, General Manager

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Addendum A
 Manager's Report
 September 20, 2024

Drought/Water Consumption/SGMA: The new water year began October 1st and compares with the last two water years as follows:

Water Year	Sept. 16 Precipitation Received	Average Precipitation to Date	Percent of Average	Shasta Lake feet from Crest
2023/2024	32.15	33.46	96%	65.12
2022/2023	40.92	33.39	122%	43.02
2021/2022	19.75	33.34	59%	139.40

Consumption for the period 7/3/24 – 9/3/24 is 18.76% lower than 2013 consumption for the same period and year to date consumption is 27.2% lower than the year-to-date totals for 2013.

Field Crew:

We received 1 new connection since last reported. Connections to date are:

Connections to Date 2023/2024	#
Water 1" Meter	13
Water 1" Duplex	2
Water 2" Meter	0
Water 1" Landscape Meter	1
Water ¾" Landscape Meter	1
Normal Sewer/LPSS	7
Commercial Sewer	0

The field crew have completed or are currently working on the following tasks:

- Finished cleaning the Graffiti off Tank at Well#5.
- Prepped sludge to be picked up and delivered to land fill this week.
- Cleaned large and small sheds at WWTP.
- Graded the plant road.
- Installed meter on Chimney Rock.
- Investigated leak on Covington Mill- Customer irrigation.
- Repaired 1" poly line on Shoreline.
- Assisted using VAC truck to locate sewer line on Edgewater- Customer billed and paid for time spent.
- Pulled the pump on Lift Station #5 and de-ragged it for the second time this year. (Sent notices to all residents on Antelope Creek- advising them not to flush wipes, etc. down toilets- One of the few lift stations we can correlate to residents on their street.)
- Fixed a blown hydraulic seal on Kubota and performed 400hour maintenance.
- Continued investigation on sewer leak on Freshwater.
- Flow tested the Hydrants on backside of lake and identified new flow rates.

- Took VAC trailer in for brake issue. No pads- trying to get seller to pay for repair because he said it had a full inspection before selling to us.
- About 40% of the Hydrant cap identification painting is complete.
- We will be hosting ACWA Defensive Driving and Confined Space training on September 25th.

Pending projects and their estimated completion dates:

- Drain the 500k tank in October for Superior to repair minor pinholes on interior of tank.
- More sewer patch repairs- as time allows. (Fall)
- Completion of Sewer Camera Project.
- Completion of the Hydrant identification cap painting.

Regulatory:

The August Water and Wastewater Reports are included in the board package. Percolate samples at wells all came back non-detect.

Solar Updates:

Solar updates period August 5,2024 through September 3, 2024:

	<u>True-Up Month</u>	<u>Current Month Net Energy Usage</u>	<u>Cumulative Energy or Credits Dollar True-up</u>	<u>Cumulative Non-Bypassable Charges</u>
Office	August	\$(188.90)	\$(188.90)	\$ 26.66
WWTP	November	\$618.12	\$16,903.89	\$2,748.90
Well#6	February	\$1,534.40	\$1,208.39	\$3,167.58
Well#5	March	\$(474.36)	\$ (19,856.80)	\$1,218.12

Admin:

- Audit is going well.
- Dean and Martha will be attending FEMA Disaster preparedness classes for water and wastewater on October 8th & 9th in Red Bluff.
- Radio guy was out and transferred old radios to new vehicles. He is still working on alternatives for the office. The phones he had would not work with our system.
- Mailed back one of two cameras received with new sewer camera. We will be receiving a \$\$7,877 refund back for return.

