

**MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
LAKESIDE WATER DISTRICT
HELD ON April 29, 2025**

At the time and place provided by law for the holding of a Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Lakeside Water District; to-wit at the meeting place of said Board at 10375 Vine Street, Lakeside, California, at 5:30 p.m. the Board duly convened, the following members present.

Directors:

Frank Hilliker
Pete Jenkins
Steve Johnson
Eileen Neumeister
Steve Robak

Secretary:

Brett Sanders

- 1) Call to Order by Board President Neumeister
- 2) Prayer/Invocation – Director Johnson introduced Bill Bottker to provide the prayer for the night's meeting.
- 3) Pledge of Allegiance
- 4) Approval of Agenda. Motion by Director Johnson to accept the agenda as submitted.

Motion: Johnson

Second: Jenkins

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

- 5) Opportunity for Public Comment Pertaining to Items Not on the Agenda (Items must meet the requirements of Government Code Section 54954.2). No Comments.
- 6) Approve Minutes of a Regular Meeting held on April 1, 2025. Motion by Director Hilliker to approve the minutes as presented.

Motion: Hilliker

Second: Robak

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

- 7) Review the March 2025 Treasurers Report for the Annual Audit. Request to Note and File in Preparation. Approved to Note and File.

- 8) Operations Report. Superintendent Johnze provided a summary of the following:
- a. Work with Solar Installation crew to complete final panel connections and a drain deflector to keep water off the generator.
 - b. Treatment Plant infrastructure improvements. District crews worked on ammonia and chlorine injector vaults and pipe rerouting.
 - c. Preparation for SCADA upgrades to the Riverview Service Area, purchasing parts and preparation of radio antenna installations.
 - d. Work on fence at north Vine Street property to secure area between sidewalk and property fence.
 - e. AWP Pipeline Crossings and Inspections. Orion continues working on Channel Road at Mapleview and Riverside Dr .10" ACP is being replaced and the 20" ACP bypass replacement is scheduled to be completed within 2 weeks.
- District Emergency Repairs
0 Mainbreak, 2 Service Leak, 0 Fire Hydrants

- 9) Consider Claim from Pendarvis for Injury. General Manager Sanders provided a summary of a claim for injury damages incurred by Pendarvis when allegedly stepping into a meter box without a cover at 12705 Lauren Street. Motion by Director Hilliker to deny the claim as presented, rejecting District liability.

Motion: Hilliker

Second: Jenkins

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

- 10) Review Strategic Plan Report for 2025. General Manager Sanders provided the Board a brief review of the final report and provided a copy for each board member.

- 11) Review Capacity and Annexation Fee Report for 2025. General Manager Sanders provided a brief review of the final report and handed out a copy to each board member.

- 12) Summarize Proposed Changes to the District's Organization Structure. General Manager Sanders provided the Board with a presentation of a proposed change in the organizational structure of the Operations staff and the addition of an Engineering and Operations Manager to oversee the complex responsibilities of Engineering and Operations of the District. Motion by Director Robak to continue with the addition of the new position and to provide additional job descriptions, organizational chart and salary schedule to support the addition at the June meeting.

Motion: Robak

Second: Johnson

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

- 13) Approve Demands of the Treasurer for April 2025. Motion by Director Robak to approve the demands as presented.

Motion: Robak

Second: Johnson

Vote:	Ayes	5	Hilliker, Jenkins, Johnson, Neumeister, Robak
	Noes	0	
	Abstain	0	
	Absent	0	

14) CWA Report – CWA Representative Hilliker reported that very little remains to resolve all litigation with MWD. Great progress. Board is working on the budget and the proposed rate increase for 2026. City of San Diego is pushing for minimal cuts and it seems that the increase in demand is helping to control increases. Debate over AB 350 and Low Income Rate Assistance bills proposed in the legislature and how the WA should support it if it is amended. Basically, support if amended rather than oppose unless amended.

15) Director’s Report and Ad Hoc Sub-Committees Reports. Ad hoc committee of Director Hilliker and Director Johnson did meet on April 11, and made progress to propose General Manager contract proposals at the April 29, 2025 (tonight).

16) Manager’s Quarterly Report. The General Manager reported.

- 1) UCM Rate Reduction Update; New rates are going to be in effect for March. Current bills are being adjusted back to September for some charges that are being changed and reduced.
- 2) Yerba Valley Annexation Update:
 - Application was accepted on April 15th.
 - Registered with the USDA – System for Award Management for payments.
 - Discussion within the USDA about how much of the project to fund. Potentially a rule excluding private property work.
- 3) Summarize Bill Payments to the District.
 - \$90,400 in payment processing fees for CY 2024
 - Payment methods – Checks 44%, Credit Card 35%, EFT 13%, Autopay 5% and cash at 2%.

17) Closed Session – Closed to the Public:

Personnel Exception Per Government Code Section 54957; Employee Evaluation – General Manager – Out of closed session the Board President announced that A) The General Manager has accomplished the goals identified for FY 2024-25 and the Board unanimously approved the Incentive Compensation payment of \$2,500 as per the General Managers contract. B) Contract has been unanimously accepted in terms and conditions and will be finalized for approval and signature by the Board President.

18) Adjourn; There being no further business the meeting adjourned to the next Regular Meeting to be held on June 3, 2025 at 5:30 p.m.

Attest:

Brett Sanders, Board Secretary
Lakeside Water District

Eileen Neumeister
Board President