



**FALLBROOK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
REGULAR BOARD MEETING**

MINUTES

**MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 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 August 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
Charley Wolk, Member

Absent: Don McDougal, Member

General Counsel/District Staff

Present: Jack Bebee, General Manager
Dave Shank, Assistant General Manager/CFO
Paula de Sousa, General Counsel
Jodi Brown, Management Analyst
Devin Casteel, Water Operations Manager
Isabel Casteran, Safety & Risk Officer
Amoreena Charles, High School Intern
Aaron Cook, Engineering Manager
Mick Cothran, Engineering Technician II
Zion Cowan, High School Intern
Noelle Denke, Public Information Officer
Robert Mahr, Maintenance Technician II
Steve Stone, Field Services Manager
Steve Wuerth, Maintenance & Electrical Manager
Lauren Eckert, Executive Assistant/Board Secretary

Also present were others, including, but not limited to: Mark Mervich and Michael Miller

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Endter led the Pledge of Allegiance

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA PER GC § 54954.2(b)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

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

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, and Wolk

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Director McDougal

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 through C.

A. EMPLOYEE OF THE QUARTER FOR AUGUST 2026

1. Hugo Santillan

The Board recognized Hugo Santillan as the Employee of the Quarter for August 2026.

B. YEARS OF SERVICE

1. Isabel Casteran – 5 years

The Board recognized Isabel Casteran for her five years of service to the District.

C. NEW EMPLOYEE ANNOUNCEMENT

1. Robert Mahr, Maintenance Technician II

The Board welcomed Robert Mahr as the new Maintenance Technician II.

II. CONSENT CALENDAR------(ITEMS D-G)

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.

D. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES
1. July 27, 2026 Regular Meeting

Recommendation: *The Board approve the minutes of the aforementioned meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Public Utility District.*

E. COMMUNITY BENEFIT WATER USERS FY 2025-26 ANNUAL REPORT

Recommendation: *This item is for information purposes, no action is required.*

F. ANNUAL STATUS REPORT OF PARCELS WITH DEFERRED WATER AVAILABILITY / STANDBY CHARGES

Recommendation: *This item is for information only; no action is required of the Board.*

G. CONSIDER UPDATED 2026-2027 SALARY SCHEDULE

Recommendation: *That the amended 2026 – 2027 Salary Schedule be approved.*

There were no public comments on Consent Calendar items.

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

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, and Wolk

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Director McDougal

III. INFORMATION----- (ITEMS H–I)

H. HIGH SCHOOL INTERNS PRESENTATION

Presented by: *Amoreena Charles, High School Intern
Zion Cowan, High School Intern*

There were no public comments on agenda item H.

Amoreena Charles and Zion Cowan presented slideshows on their experiences as interns as part of the High School Internship program.

I. AUGUST 5TH PIPELINE WORK – PLANNED SHUTDOWN AND EXTENDED OUTAGE

Presented by: Mick Cothran, Engineering Technician II

There were no public comments on agenda item I.

Engineering Technician Cothran presented a slideshow on the August 5 pipeline work for the planned shutdown and subsequent extended outage. He commended District field staff on their efforts during this extended shutdown.

General Manager Bebee noted the contractor provided a timeline of 7:00 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. for their shutdown. He also commended our District staff and their level of capability and capacity to be able to relieve the contractor and finish this job.

President Endter commended the staff involved in this project, on behalf of the Board.

Director Wolk asked if this contractor was on our prequalified contractor list. General Manager Bebee noted they were, and that the District is working through how to deal with that going forward.

Director DeMeo asked whether the District received complaints from customers regarding the outage. General Manager Bebee reported that the District did receive complaints and that he and Public Information Officer Denke sent an apology letter to the affected customers.

IV. ACTION / DISCUSSION CALENDAR -----(ITEMS J–L)

J. CONSIDER PROCUREMENT OF TWO SOLAR MIXERS FOR RED MOUNTAIN RESERVOIR

Recommendation: That the Board approve the purchase of two IXOM Solar Mixers from IXOM at a cost of \$144,836.

There were no public comments on agenda item J.

General Manager Bebee provided an overview of this item, reporting this went through the Engineering & Operations Committee. This would improve water quality in Red Mountain Reservoir.

Director Baxter confirmed these were in addition to the current mixers we already have.

MOTION: Director Baxter moved to approve the purchase of two IXOM Solar Mixers from IXOM at a cost of \$144,836; Director DeMeo seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, and Wolk

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Director McDougal

K. CONSIDER CAMP PENDLETON OPERATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICES PERFORMANCE BONUS

Recommendation: That the Board approves a one-time performance bonus in the amount of \$4,500 each for the Safety and Risk Officer, Wastewater Operations Manager, and Maintenance and Electrical Manager in recognition of their exceptional and ongoing work associated with the District's partnership with Camp Pendleton.

There were no public comments on agenda item K.

General Manager Bebee reported that there were more challenges than anticipated in taking on the Camp Pendleton wastewater operations. He recognized the level of additional work the Safety and Risk Officer, Wastewater Operations Manager, and Maintenance and Electrical Manager took on when it came to these operations.

The Board commended these staff members for their contributions as well.

MOTION: Director Wolk moved to approve a one-time performance bonus in the amount of \$4,500 each for the Safety and Risk Officer, Wastewater Operations Manager, and Maintenance and Electrical Manager in recognition of their exceptional and ongoing work associated with the District's partnership with Camp Pendleton; Director DeMeo seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, and Wolk

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Director McDougal

L. CONSIDER PURCHASE OF ONE NEW 7 YARD DUMP TRUCK FROM VELOCITY TRUCK CENTERS

Recommendation: That the Board authorize staff to purchase one 7 Yard Dump Truck from Velocity Truck Centers in the amount of \$176,391.88.

There were no public comments on agenda item L.

General Manager Bebee provided an overview of this item, reporting it went through the Engineering & Operations Committee and was a scheduled heavy equipment replacement purchase.

MOTION: Director Baxter moved to authorize staff to purchase one 7 yard dump truck from Velocity Truck Centers in the amount of \$176,391.88; Director Wolk seconded. Motion carried; VOTE:

AYES: Directors Baxter, DeMeo, Endter, and Wolk

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Director McDougal

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

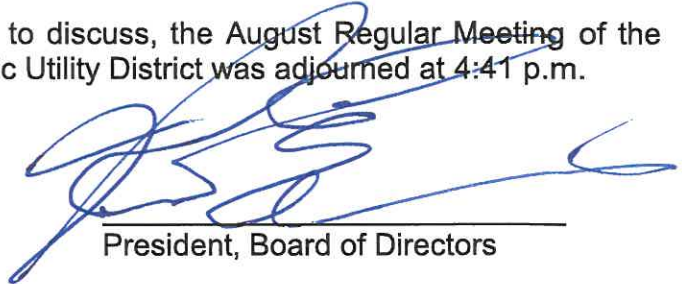
1. General Counsel
2. General Manager
 - a. MWD/EMWD Update
 - b. Engineering and Operations Report
 - c. Federal Funding Update
 - General Manager Bebee provided an overview of the written reports included in the packet.
 - General Manager Bebee noted that EMWD represents FPUD very well to MWD.
3. Assistant General Manager/Chief Financial Officer
 - a. Financial Summary Report
 - b. Treasurer's Report
 - c. Budget Status Report
 - d. Warrant List
 - e. Annual Disclosure of Reimbursements Over \$100
 - f. Fiscal Year 2025-2026 District Memberships and Dues
 - CFO/AGM Shank provided an overview of the written reports included in the packet.
4. Public Information Officer
5. Notice of Approval of Per Diem for Meetings Attended
 - Notification of approval for Directors' attendance at the Fallbrook Regional Health District ribbon cutting pre-event interview on July 28, 2026.
6. Director Comments/Reports on Meetings Attended

- Director DeMeo reported on her attendance at the CSDA quarterly meeting.
- Director Baxter reported on his attendance at two events related to Community Benefit Program funded projects.

7. Miscellaneous

VI. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

There being no further business to discuss, the August Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Fallbrook Public Utility District was adjourned at 4:41 p.m.



President, Board of Directors

ATTEST:



Secretary, Board of Directors