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## **Pojoaque Valley Irrigation District (PVID)**

### **June 10, 2026 Quarterly Meeting**

### **6:00PM to 8:00PM**

### **Meeting Minutes**

1. **Call To Order:** Chairman Harry Montoya called to order at 6:01 PM
2. **Recognition of Quorum\Roll Call:** Quorum was confirmed and roll call completed– Present: Danny Roybal, Harry Montoya, Michael Lujan, Carlos Ortiz, Gabriel Ortiz.
3. **Approval of the Agenda:** Chairman Harry Montoya
  - a. Additions/Corrections: Agenda Approval\*\*: No changes; unanimously approved.
    - i. **Motion To Approve** -Mike Lujan, SECOND Danny Roybal-, DISCUSSION- none, Motion Carried 5-0.
4. **Approval of Previous Minutes:**
  - a. Minutes of the April, 2026 Previous Minutes\*\*: minutes approved without changes. Minutes available on PVID Website
  - i. **Motion To Approve** – Gabriel Ortiz, SECOND Carlos Ortiz–DISCUSSION - none, Motion Carried 5-0
5. **Treasurer's Report (Carlos Ortiz) Financial Overview & Budget Discussion**
  - a. Reviewed Profit & Loss (P&L): 11 months into fiscal year, several collections and grants pending.
  - b. Awaiting \$24,000 Fish & Wildlife reimbursement; if not received, will be included in next year's income.
  - c. Non-Pueblo collections strong; Pueblo collections slightly behind.
  - d. Penalties from collections higher than budgeted, viewed as a positive.
  - e. NMWRRRI CRP Grant: Revenue and expenses balance out except for ~\$6,000 overage for additional design changes.
  - f. Utilities & Maintenance: Utilized less than budgeted due to efficient management; dam tender's efforts resulted in significant savings.
  - g. Credit Card Fees: Unexpectedly high; under review for resolution by fiscal year-end. Alternative may be considered.
  - h. Audit Fees: Auditor has not delivered invoice; may roll over to next fiscal year if unresolved. Board is actively following up.
  - i. Postage: Costs reduced by increased use of email/phone.
  - j. Legal fees: Board debated amount—consensus to double from \$5,000 to \$10,000 as a prudent contingency for collections/legal matters.



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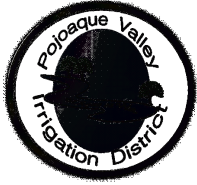
- k. Maintenance Reserve: Emphasized need to build reserves for dam maintenance and future unforeseen repairs.

#### **6. District Manager Report (Ralph Manzaneres) Water Management and Reservoir Status**

- a. Dam tender reported on emergency recertification and upcoming inspection (June 30).
- b. Collections: Aggressive action planned for overdue accounts, including batch filing of property liens if necessary.
- c. BIA Payments: Efforts to streamline and automate collection of Pueblo irrigation fees via Treasury software.
- d. Reservoir Status: Only ~20% full; half-cycle of irrigation proposed to avoid risk to reservoir and avoid fish kill. Board solicited input from mayordomos (ditch managers).
- e. Debate: Whether to proceed with half-cycle now or wait for rain. Majority opinion favored waiting, prioritizing conservation and equitable distribution.
- f. Maintain open communication with Pueblo representatives regarding water allocation and priorities.
- g. Sedimentation: Concern about reduced reservoir capacity due to lack of recent dredging; Pueblo of Nambé leading efforts for sediment mitigation and seeking Army Corps assistance.
- h. Governance & Operations
  - Coordinate with Pueblo Leaders to maintain open communication with Pueblo representatives regarding water allocation and priorities.
  - Board elections upcoming for three districts; process and budget discussed.
  - Clarified staff roles: Two people handle three positions (district manager, dam tender, administrative roles).
  - Emphasized transparency in all decisions and adherence to legal and ethical standards for collections.

#### **7. Public Comment**

- a. Tribal Government
  - i. Pueblo of Nambe: -- Pueblo Leaders raised concerns about water management and not reflecting shared sacrifice during drought. Called for better communication and adherence to first-priority rights.
  - ii. Pueblo of Pojoaque -- Jeff Montoya thanked the board; no additional public input.
  - iii. Pueblo of San Ildefonso – Leonard Pino thanked the board; no additional public input.



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- iv. BIA-- None
  - a. Individual Acequias – Multiple mayordomos and community members expressed concern over water allocation, advocating for more equitable, priority-based distribution and earlier communication in dry years.
  - b. BOR -- None
  - c. OSE –State Engineer reported detailed water diversion statistics per ditch, highlighting disparities and need for improved planning.
  - d. PVRAA – Kim Sheehan discussed continued efforts to secure funding for river and infrastructure improvements, and ongoing issues with contractor communication

**v. Adjournment**

**Motion To Approve Mike Lujan– , SECOND. Gabriel Ortiz –, Motion Carried 5-0**

- Adjournment Meeting adjourned at 7:48 PM. -- -

**\*\*Next Meeting\*\***: Tentatively scheduled for July 7, 6–8 PM, to approve budget.

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