# MINUTES WILLOW COUNTY WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR MEETING May 12, 2025

Present: Gary Nevill, Director Director Ross LaRue Gordon

Director Mike Hildreth Director Devin

Others Present: Jared Walker - Deputy Director of Water Resources & GM, Kim Saylor - Board Secretary; Liz Patton - Billing and Customer Service Manager; Colin Pearce - Outside Counsel.

CALL TO ORDER: The Willow County Water District held a Regular Meeting on May 12, 2025, the meeting was legally noticed on May 9, 2025. The meeting was held in person and via zoom. Chair G. Nevill called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. CHAIR G. NEVILL PRESIDING.

ROLL CALL: Roll was taken with the following **Directors Present**: D. Gordon, M. Hildreth, R. LaRue and Chair G. Nevill. **Directors Absent**: None. **Staff Present**: Jared Walker, Deputy Director of Water Resources, Liz Patton, Billing and Customer Service Manager and Kim Saylor, Deputy Clerk.

#### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

a. Approval of the Minutes of 2025-04-14 Willow Water Minutes.

**Motion/Second:** Gordon / LaRue to approve the Minutes of April 12, 2025, a Regular Meeting as submitted. Motion **carried** by the following Roll Call votes: **AYES**: D. Gordon, M. Hildreth, R. LaRue and Chair, G. Nevill. **NOES**: None. **ABSENT**: None. **ABSTAIN**:

# **AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS:**

Jim Brown, a member of the public and a rate payer attended and asked questions of the board related to the upcoming potential changes with the announcement of the Annexation of Willow Water District.

**Motion/Second:** Gordon /LaRue to adjourn to **closed session** at **6:45**. Motion **carried** by the following Roll Call votes: **AYES**: D. Gordon, M. Hildreth, R. LaRue and Chair, G. Nevill. **NOES**: None. **ABSENT**: None. **ABSTAIN**: None.

#### **CLOSED SESSION:**

- a. Conference with Legal Counsel Potential Litigation
  - i. Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)(3)

Information received, direction to Staff given.

**Motion/Second:** LaRue/ Gordon to proceed out of **closed session** at **7:29** pm. Motion **carried** by the following Roll Call votes: **AYES**: D. Gordon, M. Hildreth, R. LaRue and Chair, G. Nevill. **NOES**: None. **ABSENT**: None. **ABSTAIN**: None.

## **ADMINISTRATIVE AND OPERATIONAL REPORTS**

## **GENERAL MANANGEMENT REPORT:**

**a.** GM Walker reported that all his updates can be covered under unfinished business.

## OFFICE MANAGEMENT REPORT:

a. None.

## **UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

# a. Report on Eel-Russian Project Authority — (ERPA)

No new meetings since the one at Lake Mendocino which Congressman Huffman attended with the Army Corps of Engineers entered into a 3-year feasibility study. Lake Mendocino water level is up. The road to the Redwood Valley pump station is currently not accessible.

## b. Report on Water Districts' Projects:

Canyon Drive has a water main which is out for BID update at the next meeting.

# c. Report on Ukiah Valley Water Authority (UVWA)

GM, Walker reported that last week's meeting Janet Pauli provided information regarding the Potter Valley Project, and GSA ongoings. There is anticipation of Willow CWD being Annexed by the EOY.

## **NEW BUSINESS**

None.

## COMMITTEE MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS AND REPORTS

None.

## **SET NEXT MEETING DATE:** June 9, 2025

Presenter: Kim Saylor, Deputy Clerk

## **ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

Date

PRESIDENT OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILLOW COUNTY WATER DISTRICT

ATTEST	Date
Kim Saylor – Deputy Clerk	