

**PANOCHÉ WATER DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES  
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS  
MAY 25, 2023**

A special meeting of the Board of Directors was held on May 25, 2023, at 1 pm.

Those present at the meeting were:

Directors:               Aaron Barcellos, President  
                              Beau Correia, Vice President  
                              Neill Callis, Director  
                              Wayne Western, Director

Others:                 Chase Hurley, Interim General Manager  
                              Michael Linneman, Linneman Farms (via phone)  
                              Phil Williams, General Counsel (via phone)

**CALL TO ORDER**

President Barcellos called the meeting to order at 1 pm.

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

President Barcellos led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ROLL CALL**

A quorum of the Board of Directors was present.

**POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST**

There were no conflicts of interest.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There was no public comment.

**CLOSED SESSION @ 1:03pm**

- A. Conference regarding labor negotiations and recruitment (Government code 54950) Pursuant to Section 54957 (b)(1) – The board will confer regarding recruitment for the position of General Manager.
- B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION  
Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(d), paragraph (2) or (3):  
Number of Cases: One

**REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION @ 1:58pm**

Upon a motion by Director Callis, seconded by Director Western and unanimously approved, the board requested that Legal Counsel draft an engagement letter for professional legal services based on his new law firm's name.

The vote on the matter was as follows:

Ayes:                 Barcellos, Correia, Callis, Western  
Nays:                 None  
Absent:               Fausone  
Abstain:              None

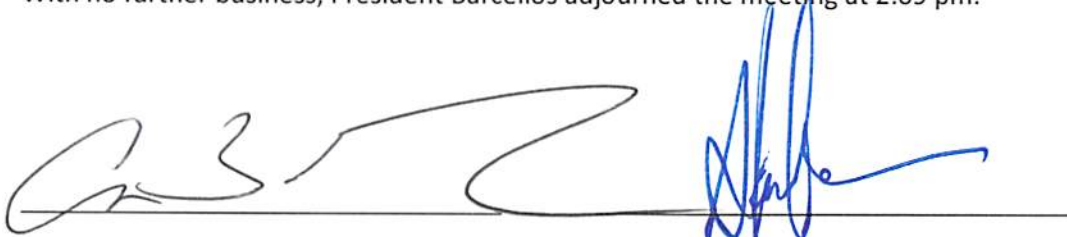
President Barcellos stated that there were no other actionable items in closed session and staff was given further direction.

**REPORTS ON OTHER ITEMS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2(a)(3)**

Mr. Hurley reported that the District has made significant progress on the new chemical room and new fuel tank project at their shop headquarters. When completed they will allow Panoche to no longer rely on storing chemicals and diesel fuel on the San Joaquin River Improvement Project.

**ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, President Barcellos adjourned the meeting at 2:09 pm.

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Aaron Barcellos, President

Steve Fausone, Secretary