

PANOCHÉ WATER DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

July 11, 2023 at 9:30 am

MEETING LOCATION

Panoche Water District Boardroom
52027 West Althea Ave.
Firebaugh, CA 93622

AGENDA

PRESIDENT'S ANNOUNCEMENT: Pursuant to Government Code Section 54952.3, Water Code sections 34740 and 34741, and the District's Bylaws, let it be known that Board members may receive either: A \$100.00 stipend as compensation for participation in today's meeting and for each day's service rendered as a Director, not to exceed a total of \$600.00 in any calendar month, or, as an Executive Officer of the District, a \$500.00 per month stipend as compensation for their service to the District.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. ROLL CALL: A quorum will be confirmed, and the Board will consider appointment of an acting Officer(s) in the event the President, Vice-President, and/or Secretary is absent from the meeting.

3. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST: Any Board member who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the Agenda Item and recuse themselves from discussing and voting on the matter. [Government Code Section 87105]

4. PUBLIC COMMENT: The Board of Directors welcomes participation in Board meetings. The public may address matters under the jurisdiction of the Board that have not been posted in the Agenda. The public will be given the opportunity to address the Board on any item in the Agenda at this time or before the Board's consideration of that item. If members of the public desire to address the Board relative to a particular Agenda item at the time it is to be considered, they should so notify the President of the Board at this time. Please note, California Law prohibits the Board from taking action on any matter during a regular meeting that is not on the posted Agenda unless the Board determines that it is an emergency or one of the other situations specified in Government Code Section 54954.2. During a special meeting, the Board may not take action on any matter that is not on the posted Agenda. The President may limit the total amount of time allocated for public comment on particular issues to 3 minutes for each individual speaker.

ACTION ITEMS

5. BOARD TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE FOLLOWING BOARD MEETING MINUTES (Chagoya)

- A. March 19, 2023, Special Board Meeting
- B. March 28, 2023, Special Board Meeting
- C. June 2, 2023, Special Board Meeting
- D. June 19, 2023, Adjourned Board Meeting

6. **BOARD TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION # 839-23, IN RECOGNITION AND PROFOUND APPRECIATION OF THE DISTINGUISHED SERVICES OF DIANE RATHMANN (Hurley)**
7. **FINANCIAL REPORT (Brazil)**
 - A. Accounts Payable;
 - B. Monthly Financials;
 - C. FYE 2024 Budget-to-Actual Report;
 - D. Other financial matters affecting the District.
8. **THE BOARD TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER ADOPTING THE EQUIPMENT RENTAL RATES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024.**

REPORT ITEMS

9. **DIVISION REPORTS**
 - A. Water Supply Update – Reyes
 - B. Operations & Maintenance – Carlucci
 - C. Domestic Water Treatment Plant – Cadena
 - D. Ethics, Compliance, & Human Resources – Chagoya
10. **GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**
 - A. Sustainable Groundwater Management Act
 - B. Los Vaqueros Expansion Project
 - C. Water Storage and Conveyance Discussions
 - D. Legislative Update
 - E. USBR Water Smart Grant – Contour Canal
 - F. Other Matters
11. **REPORTS ON OTHER ITEMS PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54954.2(a)(3)**
12. **PANOCHÉ WATER & DRAINAGE DISTRICTS JOINT CLOSED SESSION:** Conference with Legal Counsel.
 - A. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION**
 Significant Exposure to Litigation pursuant to Section 54956.9(d), paragraph (2) or (3):
 Number of Cases: Three
 - B. **CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**
 Pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(1):
Names of Cases:
 - i. PCFFA v. Glaser, et. al.
 US District Court, E.D. Cal, Case No. 2:11-cv-02980
13. **REPORT FROM JOINT CLOSED SESSION (GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957.1)**
14. **FUTURE MEETING DATES**
 - A. Board to Consider Action to set Special Meeting Date(s): *None requested.*
 - B. Next Regular Meeting Date: August 8, 2023
15. **PANOCHÉ WATER DISTRICT CLOSED SESSION**
 - A. Pursuant to Section 54957 (b)(1):

The Board will meet in closed session to consider the employment of the District's 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: Four

C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(1):

Names of Cases:

ii. Imani Percoats & Chris Bettencourt vs. Panoche Water District
Fresno County Superior Court Case No. 18CECG01651

iii. Center for Biological Diversity, et al. v. United States, et al.
US District Court, E.D. Cal, Case No. 1:20-CV-00760 DAD-EPG

v. North Coast Rivers Alliance, et al. v. Kenneth Salazar, et al.
US District Court, E.D. Cal., Case No. 1:16-cv-00307-DAD-SKO

vi. Firebaugh Canal Water District & Central California Water District v. United States, et al.
US District Court, E.D. Cal., Case 1:88-cv-00634-LJO-SKO

D. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATORS

Pursuant to Section 54956.8

Property: Land and Associated Infrastructure

Agency Negotiator: Chase Hurley, General Manager

Negotiating Parties: Panoche Water District, ForeFront

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

E. CONFERENCE REGARDING LABOR NEGOTIATIONS AND RECRUITMENT [GOV CODE §54950]

Pursuant to Section 54957.6:

Agency Designated Representative: Che Johnson; Legal Counsel

Employee Organization: International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 1245

16. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

17. ADJOURNMENT

- ❖ Items on the Agenda may be taken in any order.
- ❖ Action may be taken on any item listed on the Agenda.
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