

**EMERY WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD MEETING MINUTES
December 8, 2025**

MEMBERS PRESENT

LEE McELPRANG (Chair)
KASH WINN
CRAIG JOHANSEN

DERRI JEWKES
KRIS PAYNE
BLAINE JENSEN (Vice Chair)

STAFF PRESENT

JAY HUMPHREY
NACOLE ALLEN
MONROE MAGNUSON

MEMBERS ABSENT

CORY CLOWARD

OTHERS IN ATTENDANCE

CODY ALLRED, Pacifi Corp Duane Cox, Public

Welcome by Chairman, Lee McElprang at 6:00pm.

1. **Possible Conflict of Interest Disclosures if any**

No conflict of interest disclosures were made.

2. **Public Comments/Concerns**

No public comments were made at this time.

3. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of October 27, 2025 Minutes**

Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Derri Jewkes to approve the October 27, 2025 Minutes. Aye: Craig, Derri, Kash, Kris, Blaine. Motion carried unanimously.

4. **Discussion and Approval of Financial Reports and Voucher Statement**

Motion was made by Derri Jewkes and seconded by Blaine Jensen to approve the Financial Reports and Voucher Statement from the dates of October 21 to December 2, 2025 and From check numbers 19342 - 19397. Aye: Derri, Blaine, Kash, Craig, Kris. Motion carried unanimously.

5. **Discussion of Water Report**

Manager discussed.

6. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Crossing Agreement/License and Fee Policy**

Manager discussed Josh France wants a crossing agreement/license. Manager talked with attorney and attorney will draw up the agreement if the Board sets a crossing agreement/license fee for this and all such agreements/licenses in the future. Motion was made by Derri Jewkes and seconded by Kris Payne to set the fee at \$1500 for all such agreements/licenses. Aye: Derri, Kris, Kash, Craig, Blaine. Motion carried unanimously.

7. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of the Fraud Risk Assessment Report**

Monroe and Jay presented the Fraud Risk Assessment for 2025, which is a required annual report by the State. The assessment showed that the district is at a very low risk for fraud with a score of 390/395. Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Blaine Jensen to accept the Fraud Risk Assessment. Aye: Craig, Blaine, Kash, Kris, Derri. Motion carried unanimously.

8. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Capital Repair and Replacement Projects Forecast**

Monroe discussed the Capital Repair and Replacements Projects Forecast. He further discussed that the pipe for the 2026 North Ditch Project is at its lowest price. The total estimate is

\$269,409 and he would like approval to proceed with purchasing the pipe for this project. The Board would like a contribution from HCIC for the project. Motion was made by Blaine Jensen and Derri Jewkes to purchase the pipe and negotiate a contribution with HCIC. Aye: Blaine, Derri, Craig, Kash, Kris. Motion carried unanimously. Additionally, motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Kash Winn to approve the Capital Repair and Replacement Projects Forecast. Aye: Craig, Kash, Blaine, Kris, Derri. Motion carried unanimously.

9. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of the 2026 Board Meeting Schedule**

Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Kris Payne to set the 2026 Board meeting dates as follows: January 26th, March 23rd, May 4th, June 22nd, August 24th, October 26th, and December 7th. Aye: Craig, Kris, Kash, Derri, Blaine. Motion carried unanimously.

10. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of the CCH Peacock Syphon Repair**

Manager and Monroe discussed the wash is working out well.

11. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of the Colorado River Compact Negotiations**

Manager discussed.

12. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of the PacifiCorp, Ferron Irrigation, CCCIC, and EWCD Meeting with Attorney's on December 9th**

Manager discussed.

13. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of Colorado River Water Users convention December 16th – 18th**

Manager discussed he will be there and that seven states and Mexico will also be there.

14. **Enter into a Public Hearing at 7:00pm to receive public comment regarding the 2024 Amended Financial Budget, the 2025 Financial Budget, and the Three Percent Fee Increase on the Project Water Assessments**

Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Kris Payne to enter into a Public Hearing. Aye: Craig, Kris, Kash, Derri, Blaine. Motion carried unanimously.

15. **Public Comment**

Duane Cox of Huntington is concerned about the three percent fee increase and wants to express that he is not happy about his and others property tax going up for this. The Board explained to him that the three percent increase is for project water assessments and not for property taxes.

Cody Allred of Pacifi Corp wanted to publicly thank Jay for all of his knowledge, years of service, and the things he has personally learned from him as this will be the last meeting before Jay's retirement.

16. **Close Public Hearing**

Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Derri Jewkes to close the Public Hearing. Aye: Craig, Derri, Kash, Kris, Blaine. Motion carried unanimously.

17. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of the Three Percent Fee Increase on the Project Water**

Assessments

Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Derri Jewkes to approve the three percent fee increase on the Project Water Assessments. Aye: Craig, Derri, Kash, Kris, Blaine. Motion carried unanimously.

18. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of the 2025 Amended Financial Budget**

Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Blaine Jensen to approve the 2025 Amended Financial Budget. Aye: Craig, Blaine, Kash, Kris, Derri. Motion carried unanimously

19. **Discussion/Approval/Denial of the 2026 Financial Budget**

Motion was made by Craig Johansen and seconded by Blaine Jensen to approve the 2026 Financial Budget. Aye: Craig, Blaine, Kash, Kris, Derri. Motion carried unanimously.

20. **Adjourn**

Motion was made by Blaine Jensen to Adjourn. Meeting Adjourned at 7:30pm