

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR BOARD MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
LA HABRA HEIGHTS COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
June 24, 2025

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of La Habra Heights County Water District was held on June 24, 2025, at 4:02 p.m., at the office of the District, located at 1271 North Hacienda Road, La Habra Heights.

Item 1. Roll call of Directors by Secretary/General Manager, Joe Matthews.

PRESENT: Directors Baroldi, Cooke, Crabb, and McVicar

ABSENT: Director Perumean

Item 2. Staff members and others present. Staff: Joe Matthews, Secretary/General and Ivan Ramirez, Superintendent. Others present: Michael Silander, District Counsel.

Item 3. Public Communications – None

Item 4. Directors Report – Individual, Subcommittees and/or Attended Events.

Director McVicar discussed Investment committee meeting.

Director Baroldi discussed ACWA JPIA spring conference meeting.

Item 5. a. & b. Minutes of Regular Board meeting for May 19, 2025, and Financial Reports May 2025. After discussion there was a motion by Director McVicar and seconded by Director Baroldi to approve minutes and financials. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Directors Baroldi, Cooke, Crabb, and McVicar

NOES: None

ABSENT: Director Perumean

Item 6. Approval of warrants and authorized signatures per warrant list. After discussion, there was a motion made by Director McVicar and seconded by Director Baroldi that warrant numbers 47822 through 47903 in the amount of \$504,657.03 and EFT transfers in the amount of \$13,505.33 be approved and signatures be authorized. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Directors Baroldi, Cooke, Crabb, and McVicar

NOES: None

ABSENT: Director Perumean

Item 7. Report of Superintendent. The Superintendent discussed that one service leak and two main leaks were repaired. Valverde Construction upgraded a customer line at 1700 Kanola Road to a two-inch water service. During the same shutdown a one-inch water service at 1713 Kanola Road was replaced. Completed annual weed abatement requirements for fire safety. Superintendent is in the process of obtaining quotes to cut down plants/bushes up to our property line with the Habitat Authority. The Fire Marshall stated this is beneficial to protect our reservoir in the event of a fire.

Item 8.a. Discuss and Adopt– Resolution 25-06, Fiscal Year 2025/2026 Annual Budget. After discussion, this item was continued until the next scheduled board meeting.

Item 8.b. Discuss and Adopt – Resolution 25-07, Support of Filing Application with Cal OES Federal Non-Disaster Grant Program. After discussion, there was a motion by Director McVicar and seconded by Director Crabb to Resolution 25-07. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Directors Baroldi, Cooke, Crabb, and McVicar

NOES: None

ABSENT: Director Perumean

Item 8.c. Discuss and Approve – District's safety work boot reimbursement policy. After discussion, there was a motion by Director McVicar and seconded by Director Crabb to approve safety work boot reimbursement policy. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Directors Baroldi, Cooke, Crabb, and McVicar

NOES: None

ABSENT: Director Perumean

Item 8.d. Report on fire hydrant maintenance as mandatory work activity. The General Manager updated the board on fire hydrant maintenance.

Item 8.e. Monthly report on PFAS. The General Manager updated the board on PFAS matters.

Closed Session:

Closed Session began at 5:03 p.m. and ended at 6:54 p.m.

(Director Perumean entered the meeting at 5:50 p.m.)

Item 9.a. Public Employee Performance Evaluation
Title: Secretary/General Manager
(Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957)

Item 9.b. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- ANTICIPATED
LITIGATION: re. potential initiation of litigation pursuant to § 54956.9(c): One case
No reportable action was taken.

Item 9.c. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - EXISTING LITIGATION
In Re: Aqueous Film-Forming Foams Products Liability, Case No. 2:16-mn-2873-RMG,
pending in the United States District Court for the District of South Carolina, Charleston
Division. Discussion of existing litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9,
paragraph (1) of subdivision (b). No reportable action was taken.

Government Code Section 54957(a)(1): Conference with agency counsel re: threats to
District's cybersecurity. This matter arose after the posting of the agenda, with the board
of directors voting to add the item based on need. There was a motion by Director
Crabb and seconded by Director Cooke, to add this item to the agenda. The vote was
as follows:

AYES: Directors Baroldi, Cooke, Crabb, and McVicar

NOES: None

ABSENT: Director Perumean

Item 8.f. Discuss and Action – General Manager Salary. After discussion, there
was a motion by Director Crabb and seconded by Director Cooke to approve a 5% merit
increase with a one-time \$4,000.00 bonus. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Directors Baroldi, Cooke, Crabb, McVicar, and Perumean

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Item 10. There being no further business to come before the Board, a motion was made by Director Cooke and seconded by Director McVicar that the meeting be adjourned at 7:29 p.m. The vote was as follows:

AYES: Directors Baroldi, Cooke, Crabb, McVicar, and Perumean

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

Dated: July 22, 2025



Brad Cooke, President



Joe Matthews, Secretary

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