

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
OLIVENHAIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT

March 18, 2026

A meeting of the Board of Directors of Olivenhain Municipal Water District was held on Wednesday, March 18, 2026, at the district office, 1966 Olivenhain Road, Encinitas, California.

President Hahn called the meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, the Assistant Secretary called the roll. Directors present were Guerin, Hahn, Lanfried, Maloni, and Meyers.

President Hahn declared a quorum present and ordered the meeting to proceed. In attendance were Kimberly Thorner, General Manager; Alfred Smith, General Counsel; Don MacFarlane, Consulting Engineer; Joey Randall, Assistant General Manager; Jennifer Joslin, Human Resources Manager; John Carnegie, Customer Services Manager; Lindsey Stephenson, Engineering Manager; Jesse Bartlett-May, Operations Manager; Leo Mendez, Finance Manager; Brian Sodeman, Customer Service and Public Affairs Supervisor; Steve Weddle, Engineering Services Supervisor; Jared Graffam, Accounting Supervisor; Erik Harp, Information Technology Supervisor; Melody Colombo, Administrative Analyst; Tim Schuette, Risk and Safety Compliance Administrator; Adam Schmidt, Senior Systems Administrator; Stephanie Kaufmann, Executive Secretary; Robert Kreutzer, Department Assistant; and consultants Brent Alspach and Audrey Fremier from Arcadis, and Mike Sobczyk and John North from Armanino.

5. ADOPTION OF AGENDA

President Hahn moved to adopt the agenda, seconded by Director Meyers, and approved unanimously.

6. PERSONAL APPEARANCES AND PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were public comments under agenda item 10.

7. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS AND HONORABLE MENTIONS

Service Awards, Promotions, and Honorable Mentions

*Gio Santana – Valve Maintenance Technician I – 5 Years

*August Trees – Financial Analyst I – New Hire

*George Lomeli – Water Treatment Plant Operator Level IV – GYO Promotion

The employees were thanked for their service and were congratulated by the board.

8. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 18, 2026, REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING

Director Guerin moved to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2026, Regular Board of Directors meeting, seconded by Director Maloni, and approved unanimously.

9. CONSENT CALENDAR

- C-a CONSIDER ADOPTION OF A MOTION APPROVING THE PAYMENT OF LISTED WARRANTS FROM THE DISTRICT'S REVOLVING AND REGULAR ACCOUNTS; LISTED TRANSFERS OF FUNDS; REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES TO BOARD MEMBERS AND STAFF; AND MONTHLY INVESTMENT REPORTS
- C-b CONSIDER ADOPTION OF A MOTION APPROVING THE DISTRICT'S CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF NET POSITION, CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF REVENUES, EXPENSES, AND CHANGES IN NET POSITION, CONSOLIDATED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS, CONSOLIDATED ACTUAL VS BUDGET SUMMARY, AND CONSTRUCTION IN PROGRESS REPORTS
- C-c CONSIDER NOMINATIONS FOR THE CALIFORNIA SPECIAL DISTRICTS ASSOCIATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS SEAT C
- C-d CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PRIVATE ENCROACHMENT PERMIT 429 FOR PARS SORRENTO VALLEY SCIENCE PARK I, L.P., TO ALLOW FOR ENCROACHING FACILITIES THROUGH OMWD EASEMENT 663 LOCATED AT 5973 RANCHO DIEGUENO AND ORDER THE PERMIT BE RECORDED
- C-e CONSIDER ENTERING INTO AGREEMENTS WITH KYOCERA DOCUMENT SOLUTIONS AND US BANK FOR MANAGED PRINT SERVICES IN THE AMOUNT OF \$2,543.13 PER MONTH FOR 60 MONTHS AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF THE DISTRICT

President Hahn moved to approve the Consent Calendar, seconded by Director Meyers, and approved unanimously.

10. CONSIDER OPTIONS FOR POTENTIAL SAFETY, PROCEDURAL, OR CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS FOR FLUORIDE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS AT THE DAVID C. MCCOLLOM WATER TREATMENT PLANT AND PROVIDE DIRECTION TO STAFF

The following speakers were in support of fluoridation: Dr. Susan Fisher-Owens (with a time donation from Marjorie Stocks); Tooka Zokaie; Dr. Evelyn Tu- Vien; Angela Landsberg; David G. Milder, DDS, MD; Dr. Harriet Seldin; Paul Glassman, DDS; and Mark Bartson.

The following speaker was opposed to fluoridation: Douglas Cragoe.

General Manager Thorner and Engineering Manager Stephenson presented the report.

President Hahn moved to submit an application to the Division of Drinking Water to amend OMWD's drinking water permit to discontinue fluoridation at the David C. McCollom Water Treatment Plant, seconded by Director Guerin.

Director Lanfried proposed a substitute motion to pause fluoridation until such time as a permanent, right engineering decision can be implemented, authorize staff to amend the contract with Arcadis with an appropriation of \$150,000 for the next four months with the intent of including the next phases of the right engineering decision into the CIP budget with a report and recommendation on a preferred alternative for a conceptual design to be presented to the board before the end of this calendar year, seconded by Director Maloni, and approved with Directors Guerin and Hahn voting no.

NOTE: The meeting was in Recess
from 6:04 p.m. to 6:16 p.m.

11. CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF THE GARDENDALE AND VILLAGE PARK WEST PRESSURE REDUCING STATION REPLACEMENT PROJECT AND ORDER A NOTICE OF COMPLETION FILED, APPROVAL OF THE CLOSEOUT CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDER 8 WITH J.R. FILANC CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. IN THE AMOUNT OF \$67,614.11 FOR ADDITIONAL WORK AND PAVEMENT RESTORATION AT THE VILLAGE PARK WEST PRS, APPROPRIATE \$215,000 TO THE PROJECT BUDGET FROM CAPITAL RESERVES, AND AUTHORIZE THE GENERAL MANAGER TO SIGN ON BEHALF OF OMWD

Engineering Services Supervisor Weddle presented the report.

Director Maloni moved to accept the project into OMWD's system, approve Construction Change Order 8 to J.R. Filanc for \$67,614.11, appropriate \$215,000 from capital reserves to the Project budget, and authorize the General Manager to sign on behalf of OMWD, seconded by Director Guerin, and approved unanimously.

12. INFORMATIONAL UPDATE OF THE GENERAL MANAGER'S EMERGENCY DECLARATION OF THE AZAHAR/CADENCIA/ROMERIA STREETS AND ALDEA PLACE EMERGENCY LEAK REPAIR PROJECT

Operations Manager Bartlett-May presented the report.

13. INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

- A. President's Report

President Hahn did not have a report.

- B. General Manager's Report

General Manager Thorner provided a written report that was included in the board packet.

C. Consulting Engineer’s Report

Consulting Engineer MacFarlane’s report was provided at the meeting.

D. General Counsel’s Report

General Counsel Smith provided a written report that was included in the board packet.

E. San Diego County Water Authority (SDCWA) Report

SDCWA representative Meyers reported that an Exchange Water Delivery Agreement between the San Diego County Water Authority and Western Municipal Water District had been reached.

F. Legislative Report - 2026 Legislative and Regulatory Review

The Legislative Report and Review was included in the board packet.

G. Twelve Month Calendar/Other Meetings/Reports by Board Members Per AB 1234

ACWA DC Conference (Feb 24-26)

Director Maloni attended the conference in Washington, D.C.

Urban Water Institute Conference (Feb 25-27)

Director Lanfried attended the conference in Indian Wells, CA.

Conference Call with the General Manager RE: Jones Litigation Update (Feb 27)

Director Guerin had a call with the General Manager.

KnowBe4 Cybersecurity Training (Mar 2)

Director Maloni completed the training.

Safety Award Luncheon (Mar 4)

Directors Guerin, Maloni, and Meyers attended the event.

SB 827 Board Training (Mar 4)

Directors Lanfried, Maloni, and Meyers attended the training.

California Special Districts Association Special District Leadership Academy – Virtual Module 2 (Mar 4-5)

Director Lanfried completed the training.

Tour Presentation Overview (Mar 5)

Director Meyers met with staff about the tour presentation.

KnowBe4 Cybersecurity Training (Mar 7)

President Hahn completed the training.

KnowBe4 Cybersecurity Training (Mar 11)

Director Lanfried completed the training.

Sierra Club Facilities Tour (Mar 12)

Director Meyers attended the tour.

KnowBe4 Cybersecurity Training (Mar 14)

President Hahn completed the training.

Facilities Committee Meeting (Mar 17)

Directors Guerin and Maloni attended the meeting.

Conference Call with the General Manager RE: Board Meeting Pre-Briefing (Mar 17)

President Hahn had a call with the General Manager.

14. **CORRESPONDENCE**

Correspondence was provided in the board packet.

15. **AUTHORIZATION TO ATTEND UPCOMING MEETINGS / CONFERENCES / SEMINARS**

There were no meetings requiring authorization to attend.

16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

There were no future agenda items added.

17. CONSIDER PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were not any public comments.

NOTE: The meeting was in Recess
from 6:51 p.m. to 7:03 p.m.

NOTE: The meeting was in Closed Session
from 7:03 p.m. to 7:46 p.m.

18. CLOSED SESSION

A) CONSIDER LITIGATION – STANLEY D. JONES ET AL. VS. OLIVENHAIN MUNICIPAL WATER DISTRICT [PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54956.9]

B) CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – CYBERSECURITY IT AUDIT [PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 54957]

19. OPEN SESSION

General Counsel Smith stated that there was no reportable action from Closed Session.

20. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH ARMANINO ADVISORY LLC FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY SERVICES

Finance Manager Leo Mendez presented the report.

Director Lanfried moved to approve an agreement with Armanino Advisory LLC for Information Technology Services in response to OMWD's IT audit and appropriate an additional \$22,000 to the Operating Budget from the Operating Reserve Fund for fiscal year 2026, seconded by Director Maloni, and approved unanimously.

21. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 7:49 p.m.

Matthew R. Hahn, President
Board of Directors
Olivenhain Municipal Water District

ATTEST:

Christy Guerin, Secretary
Board of Directors
Olivenhain Municipal Water District