



MEETING MINUTES

**May 27, 2025 – 10:00 a.m.
BOCC Chambers Pahrump, NV**

Members:

Unfilled - Area 1 (Currant Creek/Smoky Valley)
Charles "Heath" Miller - Area 2 (Tonopah/Manhattan)
Edwin Goedhart - Chair, Area 3 (Beatty /Armargosa Valley)
Helene Williams - Vice Chair - Area 4, Position 1 (Pahrump Valley)
Bruce Holden - Area 4, Position 2 (Pahrump Valley)
Ernie Jackson - Area 4, Position 3 (Pahrump Valley)
Michael Lach - At Large

**Board of County
Commissioners:**

Debra Strickland

Staff:

Daniel C. Weeks

Finance:

Helen Bae

1. (00:00:46) Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance
2. (00:01:20) Roll Call – All Present: Mrs. Williams, Mr. Holden, Mr. Jackson, Mr. Lach (from Tonopah), Mr. Goedhart. Mr. Miller was absent from the meeting.
3. (00:02:30) Mission Statement – “Protect, Provide and Preserve the water resources of Nye County.”
4. (00:02:38) Approval or Alteration of Agenda for May 27, 2025.
The manager requested that Item 15 be pulled from the agenda.
5. (00:03:41) General Public Comment - First.
No public comment was offered.
6. (00:04:22) MEMBERS’/MANAGER’S COMMENTS (This item limited to announcements or topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas.

7. (00:07:21) Disclosure Of Ex-Parte Communications and Possible Conflict of Interest.

Mr. Goedhart disclosed that he owns water rights in Nye County and explained that he would recuse himself if he felt there were any conflicts of interest. Mr. Lach mentioned that he was a holder of water rights in Nye County. Mr. Lach disclosed that he had had discussions with a business entity that was on the agenda but that he did not feel there was a conflict of interest that would prevent him from voting on any agenda item. Nye County Commissioner Debra Strickland disclosed that she was a licensed well driller in the State of Nevada but as she was not a voting member of the board she did not present any risk of a conflict.

8. (00:09:58) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Public Hearing, Discussion and deliberation to adopt, or amend and adopt the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 of the Nye County Water District.

Mrs. Williams made a motion to adopt the Final Budget for Fiscal Year 2025-2026 of the Nye County Water District. Mr. Lach offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

9. (00:37:30) PRESENTATION – Presentation of the 2025 Round Mt. Gold Water Management Update offered by RMGC consultant Jay Dixon PLLC. This item will impose no financial impact.

Nye County resident Naiome Ferraraf from Tonopah asked that the Water board turn their attention to the water problems in Tonopah. She asserted that there is arsenic in the drinking water in Tonopah and that the Federal government was lowering the threshold levels for arsenic in drinking water.

11. (01:36:53) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion and deliberation to: A) Support a future request by Anglo Gold Ashanti to be filed with the Nye County Board of Commissioners to request approval of an “exploratory borehole” on Nye County owned land near Beatty, or: B) Oppose a future request by Anglo Gold Ashanti to be filed with the Nye County Board of Commissioners to request approval of an “exploratory borehole” on Nye County owned land near Beatty. This item will impose no financial impact.

Mrs. Williams made a motion to support a future request by Anglo Gold Ashanti to be filed with the Nye County Board of Commissioners to request approval of an “exploratory borehole” on Nye County owned land near Beatty. Mr. Holden offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

10. (02:12:31) PRESENTATION – Presentation offered by Nye County Water District Legislative Consultant Jay Dixon of The Water Strategy Group titled: “Wrap-Up of the 83rd Nevada Legislative Session.” This item will impose no unbudgeted financial impact.

12. (02:28:34) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion and deliberation to approve, amend and approve or reject Change Order #3 to extend a Professional Services Agreement with Kathy Gilmore (Quality Assurance Officer) with a not-to-exceed amount of \$3,000 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

Mr. Lach made a motion to approve Change Order #3 to extend a Professional Services Agreement with Kathy Gilmore (Quality Assurance Officer) with a not-to-exceed amount of \$3,000 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026. Mrs. Williams offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

13. (02:32:41) **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion and deliberation to approve, amend and approve or reject Change Order #2 for the contract with Schroeder Law with a not-to-exceed amount of \$35,000 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

Mr. Lach made a motion to approve Change Order #2 for the contract with Schroeder Law with a not-to-exceed amount of \$35,000 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026. Mrs. Williams offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

14. (02:36:05) **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion and deliberation to approve, amend and approve or reject Change Order #3 for the contract of the Nye County Water District General Manager Daniel Weeks with a not-to-exceed amount of \$70,000 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026.

Mr. Holden made a motion to approve and extend Change Order #3 for the contract of the Nye County Water District General Manager Daniel Weeks to three years with a not-to-exceed amount of \$72,000 for Fiscal Year 2025/2026, \$74,000 for Fiscal Year 2026/2027, \$76,000 for Fiscal Year 2027/2028. Mr. Lach offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

15. Item pulled from agenda.

16. Item number was missing due to error.

17. (02:43:04) **SUPPORTING REPORTS** – Organization Members, Staff and County Liaison.

The General Manager gave a brief update on a potential \$10,000,000 grant funding opportunity from the US Federal Government.

18. (02:47:10) **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion and deliberation to set the date, time and location of the next Water District Governing Board meeting for Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the Pahrump Commissioners Chambers.

Mr. Holden made a motion to to set the date, time and location of the next Water District Governing Board meeting for Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at 10:00 a.m. at the Pahrump Commissioners Chambers. Mr. Jackson offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

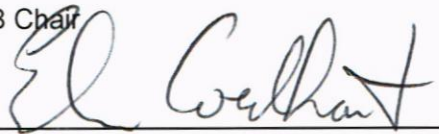
19. (02:48:28) **CLOSING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** – Up to three-minute time limit per person. Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period.

No comment was offered.

20. (02:48:47) BOARD COMMENTS – (This item limited to announcements and to propose future workshops or agendas and should not revisit matters addressed during the meeting.)

21. (02:49:39) ADJOURN.

WDGB Chair



Date: 8/12/25

WDGB Manager



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