

CALAVERAS PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT  
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

January 20, 2026  
5:00 pm

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Kevin Sparks  
Garrett Hesser  
Richard Blood  
Mathew Warmerdam

MEMBERS ABSENT: Jack Tressler

STAFF PRESENT: Mathew Roberts, General Manager  
Carissa Bear, Clerk of the Board  
Wyatt Rovera, Water System Superintendent  
Adam Brown, District Legal Counsel

OTHERS PRESENT: Member of Public (Online)

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: The regular meeting was called to order by President Sparks at 5:03 P.M.
2. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS: Directors Blood, Warmerdam, Hesser and Sparks were present. Director Tressler was absent.
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limit 3 minutes per person/15 minutes per subject):  
President Sparks provided a copy of *The History of the Calaveras Public Utility District* to each Board Member.
5. CONSENT ITEMS
  - a. December 16, 2025, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
  - b. December Claim Summary

The Board reviewed and discussed the December claim summary. Staff responded to questions and provided clarification. No further discussion followed. A motion was made by Director Blood, seconded by Director Hesser, to approve Consent Items a-b. A roll call vote was taken. Directors Blood, Warmerdam, Hesser, and Sparks voted yes. Director Tressler was absent. Motion carried 4-0.

#### 6. PROJECT UPDATES

Mr. Roberts provided a brief overview of current projects. No new information was available regarding the Fairfield Inn project. Mr. Roberts discussed the Paloma Line Extension project, noting that it was initially brought to the Board's attention approximately two years ago before becoming inactive and has recently resurfaced. The project engineer was unaware that the District does not have an agricultural rate and expressed concern that this may impact the project.

The Board and staff discussed concerns regarding whether the Paloma tank has the capacity to meet the requested demand.

Regarding the Backwash/Rich Gulch project, Mr. Roberts reported that the amended grant application has been submitted to the grant engineers. While there were red lines and questions, staff has responded and returned the application for final review. Once finalized, Mr. Roberts will sign the application, and the engineers will submit it to the Department of Water Resources. Efforts are being made to keep the project within the \$500,000 grant amount.

Mr. Roberts also provided a brief update on the Calaveras Council of Governments (CCOG) project. The District initially identified issues related to the District's ability to provide adequate fire flow; however, an onsite fire tank with two (2) 1" water meters have been proposed by the Project Engineers, which would simplify the project for the District.

Lastly, Mr. Roberts discussed the Calaveras County Behavioral Health project. Existing District lines are currently in conflict with the project and will be replaced by the project contractors, with some meters relocated. Upon completion of the project, the District will receive easement rights.

#### 7. REVIEW OF DISTRICT TEMPORARY ADVISORY (AD HOC) COMMITTEES AND ASSIGNMENTS

President Sparks dissolved all Temporary Advisory (Ad Hoc) Committees. He established the following temporary advisory committees, with the corresponding Board member appointments:

##### **District Ad Hoc Committee Assignments**

Engineering/Planning Committee: Richard Blood, Kevin Sparks

Budget/Finance Committee: Mathew Warmerdam, Jack Tressler

Negotiations Committee: Mathew Warmerdam, Richard Blood

General Manager Performance Review Committee: Kevin Sparks, Garrett Hesser

Fire Protection Cooperation Committee: Jack Tressler, Garrett Hesser

Hotel Project Committee: Richard Blood, Jack Tressler

##### **Joint Powers Authority (JPA) Assignments**

ACWA/JPIA: Primary: Kevin Sparks, Alternate(s): Jack Tressler, Mathew Roberts

Calaveras–Amador Mokelumne River Authority (CAMRA): Primaries: Richard Blood, Mathew Warmerdam, Alternate: Jack Tressler

Calaveras Public Power Agency (CPPA): Primary: Mathew Roberts, Alternate: Mathew Warmerdam

Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority: Primary: Richard Blood, Alternate(s): Garrett Hesser, Mathew Roberts

#### 8. QUARTERLY BUDGET UPDATE 2025/2026

Mr. Roberts reviewed the Quarterly Budget Memo included in the Board packet and highlighted changes made to the budget format. He reported that overall financial trends are positive, noting that while some General Ledger accounts are over budget, the division as a whole remains under budget. Mr. Roberts also reviewed the new grant tracking spreadsheets, explaining that they are working documents and will continue to be refined over time.

## 9. REPORTS

### a. Legal Counsel's Report

No report this month.

### b. Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board

Mrs. Bear presented the Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board report.

### c. Water System Superintendent's Report

Mr. Rovera presented the Monthly Maintenance Report for December.

### d. Engineer's Report

No report this month.

### e. General Manager's Report

Mr. Roberts presented the General Manager's Report and informed the Board that the District recently met with Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E) regarding an existing contract between the District and PG&E. Mr. Roberts indicated that he was previously unaware of the contract, which requires the District to generate power back to the grid annually. Due to Hydro #3 being out of commission, the District did not meet this requirement. PG&E has indicated its intent to cancel the contract, and Mr. Roberts is working with PG&E to request reconsideration. The contract is currently under review. Mr. Roberts will work with the District's Legal Counsel moving forward.

### f. Directors' Comments:

No reports this month.

## 10. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, President Sparks adjourned the meeting at 6:52 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carissa Bear, Secretary/Clerk of the Board

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