CALAVERAS PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT — October 20, 2026
Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors — 5:00 pm

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Garrett Hesser
Richard Blood
Jack Tressler
Mathew Warmerdam

MEMBERS ABSENT: Kevin Sparks

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)
Scott Ratterman, Calaveras County Water District (CCWD)
Suzie Coe, Mokelumne Hill Fire
Michael Dell'Orto, Mokelumne Hill Fire
Dean Dix, Mokelumne Hill Fire

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: The regular meeting was called to order by Vice President Hesser at 5:05 P.M.

2. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS: Directors Hesser, Blood, Tressler, and Warmerdam were present. Director Sparks was absent.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

4. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limit 3 minutes per person/15 minutes per subject): Scott Ratterman informed the Board that he recently experienced a water leak on his property. He expressed his appreciation to Heather in the front office for notifying him of unusual water usage, which allowed him to identify the leak. However, he was surprised to learn that the District does not currently have a leak adjustment policy. He noted that CCWD has an established policy and provided a copy to the Clerk of the Board for distribution to the Board. He encouraged the Board to consider developing and adopting a similar policy for the District.

5. CONSENT ITEMS
    a. September 15, 2026, Regular Board Meeting Minutes
    b. September Claim Summary

The Board reviewed and discussed the September Claim Summary. Staff answered questions. A motion was made by Director Blood, seconded by Director Tressler, to approve Consent Items a-b. A roll call vote was taken. Directors Blood, Tressler, Warmerdam, and Hesser voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

** Item 9 was moved up on the agenda to accommodate members in attendance.

9. PALOMA FIRE STATION – WATER SERVICE FEES

Mr. Roberts provided background on the agenda item and reviewed his prepared memo. He explained that an agreement had been discussed with the Board in 2017; however, Mokelumne Hill Fire did not follow through. Since that time, the District has completed a Proposition 218 process and a Rate Study establishing Capacity and Connection Charges.

Mr. Brown clarified that the District cannot legally waive the capacity fee but can work with Mokelumne Hill Fire regarding the cost of time and materials.

The Board, Staff, and representatives from Mokelumne Hill Fire engaged in a lengthy discussion. The following understanding was reached:

- Mokelumne Hill Fire will pay the applicable capacity fee.
- The District will perform the service line renewal at the District's expense, consistent with how it would be handled for an existing customer. Any additional work required beyond the renewal will be the responsibility of Mokelumne Hill Fire.
- Mokelumne Hill Fire will be responsible for the cost of a new meter, meter box, and riser.
- The District will provide a cost estimate by the end of the week.
- A backflow prevention device must be installed and tested before water service is turned on. The device will also require annual testing thereafter.

The Board directed Mr. Roberts to continue working directly with Mokelumne Hill Fire on the proposed arrangement. The offer will remain valid for 90 days from the date of the meeting.

** Item 7 was moved up on the agenda to accommodate members in attendance.

7. CAMRA DISCUSSION

Mr. Roberts reviewed his prepared memo and explained that President Sparks had requested the item be placed on the agenda. He noted that the item had two parts. First, Mr. Sparks invited Scott Ratterman to attend the meeting to provide historical background on CAMRA. Second, the Board would discuss its vision for the District's role in CAMRA moving forward, including Mr. Roberts' recommendation to remove Mrs. Bear as CAMRA Secretary, as she has held the position for approximately five years.

Mr. Ratterman agreed that rotating the Secretary position was a good idea, noting that the position had historically been rotated among participating agencies. He provided a history of CAMRA and shared that he sees value in maintaining the organization as a forum for communication and collaboration among participating agencies. However, he expressed a preference for transitioning CAMRA from a Joint Powers Authority (JPA) to an association, which would allow for greater flexibility in scheduling meetings and conducting business. He also discussed several areas of noncompliance that would need to be addressed for CAMRA to operate properly.

Some Board members expressed concern that transitioning to an association rather than maintaining a JPA could result in the group losing momentum. Mr. Ratterman noted that a JPA could always be reestablished in the future if needed.

The Board agreed to remove Mrs. Bear as CAMRA Secretary. Directors Blood and Warmerdam, along with Mrs. Bear, will work together to obtain a quorum for the next CAMRA meeting.

6. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS (Government Code Section 54957.6)

CPUD designated representatives: Mathew Roberts, General Manager and Adam Brown, General Counsel. Employee organization: SEIU Local 1021

Mr. Roberts requested that the item be removed from the agenda. Vice President Hesser agreed.

8. WGA ENGINEERING SERVICES – 2026 RATE SCHEDULE

Mr. Roberts informed the Board that WGA had increased its rates. The Board requested additional information regarding the 2026 Rate Schedule. Mr. Roberts will follow up with WGA and provide the Board with an update. A motion was made by Director Tressler, seconded by Director Hesser, approve WGA's amended engineering service rates. A roll call vote was taken. Directors Blood, Tressler, Warmerdam, and Hesser voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

10. VEHICLE AND FLEET MANAGEMENT POLICY – POLICY 2136

The Board and staff discussed the proposed policy. A motion was made by Director Tressler, seconded by Director Warmerdam, to approve Vehicle And Fleet Management Policy – Policy 2136 with amendments to remove the Capital Improvement Program (CIP) language. A roll call vote was taken. Directors Blood, Tressler, Warmerdam, and Hesser voted yes. Motion carried 4-0.

11. REPORTS

a. Legal Counsel's Report

No report this month.

b. Executive Assistant/Clerk of the Board

Mrs. Bear reminded the board of the open enrollment deadline.

c. Water System Superintendent's Report

Mr. Rovera presented the September Monthly Maintenance Report and answered questions from the Board. He noted a correction to the report: the Vehicle Maintenance entry referencing the 2011 F-150 should read 2011 F-350.

d. Engineer's Report

The Engineer's Report was addressed under the General Manager's Report.

e. General Manager's Report

Mr. Roberts provided an overview of his General Manager's Report, reviewing the information outlined in his memorandum and answering questions from the Board. He thanked Wyatt for his assistance with the grant application through CPPA.

f. Directors' Comments

No comments.

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Vice President Hesser adjourned the meeting at 8:01 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carissa Bear, Secretary/Clerk of the Board