MINUTES OF THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2026 PUBLIC HEARING AND REGULAR MEETING OF THE RIO LINDA/ELVERTA COMMUNITY WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

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1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The September 28, 2026, meeting of the Board of Directors of the Rio Linda/Elverta Community Water District called to order at 6:30 p.m. Visitors/Depot Center 6730 Front St., Rio Linda, CA 95673. This meeting was physically open to the public.

Interim General Manager Felix M. Felix took roll call of the Board of Directors. Director Jason Green, Director Chris Gifford, Director Vicky Young, Director Anthony Cline, Interim General Manager Felix M. Felix, Legal Counsel, and Mike Vasquez, Contract District Engineer were present. Director Liverett was absent.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT- Public members commented on the approval of the rent a cop at the meeting and the public comment period.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR Action items: Approve Consent Calendar Items (4:12)

3.1 July 27, 2026, August 24, 2026, and September 9, 2026, Minutes

3.2 July 2026 Expenditures

3.3 July 2026 Financial Reports.

Comments/Questions – Director Young provide input on a correction needed on page 2 of the July 27th minutes.

Comments/Questions – Public member commented on the office supplies in the expenditure reports.

(4:19) It was moved by Director Gifford seconded by Director Green to approve the consent calendar. Directors Cline, Green, Young, and Gifford voted yes. Director Liverett was absent. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 4-0-0.

PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER ADOPTING THE FISCAL YEAR 2026-27 OPERATING AND CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS BUDGETS (9:08)

4.1. Open Public Hearing

4.2. Fiscal Year 2026-27 Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets

4.3. Public Comment

4.4. Close Public Hearing

4.5. Consider Adoption of Resolution No. 2026-05 to approve the Fiscal Year 2026-27 Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets

(25:06) It was moved by Director Cline seconded by Director Green to approve Resolution No. 2026-05 FY 2026-27 Operating and Capital Improvement Budgets. Directors Cline, Green, and Gifford voted yes. Director Young voted no. Director Liverett was absent. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 3-1-0.

5. REGULAR CALENDAR

5.1 GM Report (26:11)

Felix M. Felix, Interim GM provided a written report to the Board along with mentioning the newest employee, hired by the District, who is dual certified.

Comments/Questions – No public comment.

The Board took no action on this item.

5.2 District Engineer's Report (28:01)

Mike Vasquez, Contract District Engineer, reported on the Water Meter Replacements, Water Valve Replacement Project, Well 15 Hexavalent Chromium Treatment project, 2025 Urban Water Management Plan, Hexavalent Chromium Compliance Plan, Development Review, and General Contract District Engineer Administrative Tasks.

Comments/Questions – Director Young and public member had general questions pertaining to Jim Carson's contract.

5.3 CPS HR Invoice for GM Recruitment 7-24-26. (35:06)

Comments/Questions – General discussion and questions by the Board. No public comment.

(43:59) It was moved by Director Gifford seconded by Director Green to direct staff to pay the CPS HR invoice. Directors Cline, Green, and Gifford voted yes. Director Young voted no. Director Liverett was absent. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 3-1-0.

5.4 Consider Verizon Antenna & Radio Unit Replacement on District Water Tank. (45:41)

Comments/Questions – General discussion and questions by the Board. Public member commented that the District was supposed to get paid a compensation outside of the lump sum agreed to in the original Verizon contract.

(58:38) It was moved by Director Green seconded by Director Cline to allow Verizon's Antenna and Radio Unit Replacement on the District Water Tank. Directors Cline, Green, and Gifford voted yes. Director Young abstained. Director Liverett was absent. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 3-0-1.

5.5. Consider Revised GM Recruitment Advertisements and Solicitations. (1:02:20)

Comments/Questions – General discussions by the Board. Director Young suggested posting the flyers included in the Board packet around the community. Public members questioned if this advertisement could be posted to other places online like indeed.

(1:13:15) It was moved by Director Cline seconded by Director Green to abandon the GM Recruitment in house and use CPS HR. Directors Cline, Green, Gifford, and Young voted yes. Director Liverett was absent. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 4-0-0.

5.6. Board Director Request to review 2025 and 2017 District Organization Charts. (1:22:40)

Comments/Questions – General discussion by the Board. Director Young disagreed that since the Engineer and General Manager work at the pleasure of the Board then the Board should be able to contact them at their pleasure. General Counsel gave input that under most organizations' the District Engineer reports to the GM. GM Felix shared some other organization charts documents with the Board and public.
Public member questioned why it's a problem for a Board Member to contact the District Engineer. Public member made a suggestion on the org chart. Public member made comments regarding personnel.

(1:38:57) It was moved by Director Green seconded by Director Cline to revise the 2025 District Organization Chart to placing the District Engineer under the General Manager along with the employees and the General Counsel off to the side. Directors Green, Gifford, and Cline voted yes. Director Young voted no. Director Liverett was absent. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 3-1-0.

5.7 Consider RDN for RLECWD Water Rate Study (1:47:18)

Comments/Questions – Public member commented that the employees' raises weren't included in the information.

(1:52:07) It was moved by Director Gifford and seconded by Director Cline to authorize the Water Rate Study with RDN. Directors Cline, Green, Young, Gifford and Green voted yes. Director Liverett was absent. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 4-0-0.

5.8. Authorize any New Board Member Assignments (committees and other) Proposed by the Chair (1:54:05*)*

President Cline dissolved the GM Recruitment Committee. GM Felix suggested a Chromium6 Ad Hoc Committee. President Cline assigned Director Liverett and Director Green to the Chromium-6 Ad Hoc Committee.

6. PUBLIC COMMENT PRIOR TO CLOSED SESSION – (1:15:47) – Public member commented on the closed session topics.

(2:01:00) Director Young stated she would not take part in Closed Session and dismissed herself from the meeting.

7. CLOSED SESSION - THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS WILL MEET IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS THE FOLLOWING ITEMS:

7.1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (GOVT CODE 54956.9(d)(1)
7.1 Two items: Public Employees Relations Board Charges SA-CE-1293-M and SA-CE-1299-M
7.2 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS
Agency's Designated Representative: Anthony Cline
Employee Organization: Teamsters Local 150

8. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION, REPORORTABLE ACTIONS FROM CLOSED SESSION

President Cline reported no reportable action was taken.

INFORMATION ITEMS

9.1. District Activities Reports (2:02:00)

9.1.1. Water Operations Report – Report provided.
9.1.2. Conservation Report – Report provided.
9.1.3. Leak Repair Report – Report provided.
9.1.4. Minor Budget Revisions

9.2. Board Member Reports (2:03:01)

5.2.1. Report any ad hoc committees dissolved by requirements in Policy 2.01.065.
5.2.2. Sacramento Groundwater Authority– Liverett
5.2.3. Executive Committee –Young/Liverett – Minutes Provided.
5.2.3. ACWA/JPIA – Cline
5.2.4. Capacity Fees Ad Hoc – Liverett/Cline – No Report- Committee to be dissolved.
5.2.5. MOU Negotiations Ad Hoc – Gifford/Green – On going.
5.2.6. GM Recruitment Committee- Gifford/Young– No Report- Committee to be dissolved.

ADJOURNMENT - The meeting was adjourned at 9:05 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on File
Felix M. Felix, Secretary of the Board of Directors

Signature on File
Anthony Cline, President of the Board