

# MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 23, 2026 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 February 23, 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.

General Manager Tim Shaw took roll call of the Board of Directors. Director Jason Green, Director Chris Gifford, Director Vicky Young, Director Maria Liverett, Director Anthony Cline, General Manager Tim Shaw, Mike Vasquez, District Contract Engineer, and legal counsel were present. Director Cline led with the pledge of allegiance.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT-** Public members commented on the website's calendar for the Board Meetings not including the time of the meeting, accommodating the public with hearing disabilities, where to find the Districts chromium results on the State's website, consuming of the District's water supply to safe to drink,

## 3. CONSENT CALENDAR Action items: Approve Consent Calendar Items (17:34)

3.1 December 22, 2025 regular meeting and February 11, 2026 special meeting

3.2 November and December 2025 Expenditures

3.3 November and December 2025 Financial Reports.

Comments/Questions –Public member suggested that some of the language in the minutes from the last meeting be changed.

*(18:48) It was moved by Director Gifford seconded by Director Green to approve the consent calendar. Directors Cline, Green, Liverett, Young, and Gifford voted yes. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 5-0-0.*

**(19:11)** GM Shaw announced that Agenda Item 4.4 is no longer valid due to the item having already been taken care of and there is no need for a vote by the Board.

## 4. REGULAR CALENDAR

### 4.1 GM Report (19:33)

Comments/Questions –Directors Liverett and Young had general questions.

*The Board took no action on this item.*

### 4.2 District Engineer's Report (21:04)

Mike Vasquez, Contract District Engineer, reported on the current status of the RFP for the UWMP, and the Sacramento County's request submitted to the District for the tentative planned 120 residential lot.

Comments/Questions – General discussion and questions by the Board members concerning the Request for Proposal (RFP) for the Urban Water Management Plan that submitted and the one company that submitted their proposal has requested several changes to that RFP.

Comments/Questions – Public members had general questions about the budgeted amount submitted for the UWMP proposal, Well 16’s motor.

***(38:14) It was moved by Director Liverett seconded by Director Cline to approve the District’s Attorney an allotment of 30 minutes to review the changes requested by the current company’s RFP that has submitted for the UWMP. Directors Cline, Green, Liverett, Gifford and Young voted yes. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 5-0-0.***

#### **4.3 Consider Approving Necessary Revisions to the 2025/2026 Operating Budget (38:40)**

Comments/Questions – General Discussion by the Board concerning the cost of repairs and ACWA/JPIA fees. Director Young asked where the proportion of fees are being spent and current-to-date. GM Shaw stated that current figure is approximately \$180k.

Comments/Questions – Public members questioned the reason for the legal fee increase. One community member questioned that the Board is representing the public’s voice and should be more proactive for these fees to stop increasing.

***(52:10) It was moved by Director Young seconded by Director Cline to approve the budget increase of \$1k ACWA/JPIA and \$30k to contract repairs. Directors Cline, Green, Gifford, Young and Green voted yes. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 5-0-0.***

***(59:25) It was moved by Director Gifford seconded by Director Green to approve the budget increase of legal fees to \$350k. Directors Cline, Green, and Gifford voted yes. Directors Young and Liverett voted no. The motion carried by a roll call vote of 3-2-0.***

#### **4.4 Consider voting in the Sacramento County Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo)**

*No action was taken on this item and was removed.*

#### **4.5. Consider Pausing Ongoing Efforts to Treat Hexavalent Chromium via Ion Exchange (item requested by Director Liverett) (1:00:57)**

Comments/Questions – Director Green stated that the District has already spent 90% of the money on the design for Ion Exchange and should continue moving in that direction. Director Liverett commented that the District should wait for the District’s Contract Engineer, Mike Vasquez comparison of the alternatives before spending any more.

GM Shaw stated that in order to pause the process, the District would have to change your plan with the State’s department that was already submitted to comply with the compliance order.

***(1:10:00) It was moved by Director Liverett and seconded by Director Young to pause until other alternatives can be reviewed . Director Liverett and Young voted yes. Directors Green and Gifford voted no. Director Cline abstained. The motion did not carry by a roll call vote of 2-2-1.***

#### **4.6. Authorize any New Board Member Assignments (committees and other) Proposed by the Chair (1:17:49)**

*No positions were assigned.*

### **INFORMATION ITEMS**

#### **5.1. District Activities Reports**

- 5.1.1. Water Operations Report – Report provided.
- 5.1.2. Conservation Report – Report provided.
- 5.1.3. Leak Repair Report – Report provided.
- 5.1.4. Emerging Contaminants Funding Fact Sheet

5.1.5.Compensation of Directors Section from the District Policy Manual

**5.2. Board Member Reports**

5.2.1.Report any ad hoc committees dissolved by requirements in Policy 2.01.065

5.2.2.Sacramento Groundwater Authority – Liverett gave a verbal report.

5.2.3.Executive Committee – Young/Liverett – No meeting.

5.2.4.ACWA/JPIA – Cline

5.2.5.GM Annual Performance Review Ad Hoc Young/Cline

5.2.6.Capacity Fee Study Ad Hoc Liverett/Cline – Liverett met with Sac Suburban and based on her meeting, the Districts rates and capacity fees should not be decreased.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENT PRIOR TO CLOSED SESSION – (1:40:26)**

Public member commented on a meeting with Ami Beri and opportunities the District is missing.

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

**7.1. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION (continued from the 12-22-2025 Board meeting)– General Manager:** The Board will continue conducting an annual performance evaluation of the General Manager pursuant to subdivision (b) of California Government Code Section 54957.

**7.2. Conference with Labor Negotiators**

**Agency’s Designated Representative: A Cline and V Young**

**Employee Organization: Teamsters Local 150**

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

**President Cline report for Items 7.1 and 7.2 no action was taken.**

**ADJOURNMENT** - The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Signature on File

Timothy R. Shaw, Secretary

Signature on File

Anthony Cline, President of the Board