# MINUTES OF THE MOAPA VALLEY WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HELD Thursday, January 9th, 2025

PRESENT: Robert Terril Ryan Wheeler - Phone

Tim Gordon Scott Farnsworth

Joe Davis, General Manager

Lon Dalley, Assistant General Manager Jennifer Farnsworth

Kiley Bradshaw Jeannie Fox Byron Mills Vernon Robison

**ORDER OF BUSINESS:** At 4:05 pm, Board Member Ryan Wheeler Called to order the regular meeting of the Moapa Valley Water District. The agenda items were addressed in the following order:

### 1) Public Comment (may be limited to five minutes)

None

### 2) Nomination and Election of Officers

After some discussion between board members, Ryan Wheeler made a motion to Nominate...

Kelby Robison over General Manager/Administration.

Tim Gordon over Personnel & Office/Computers.

Scott Farnsworth over Equipment & Physical Facilities.

Robert Terril over Capital Improvements/ Installations & Line Upgrades.

Ryan Wheeler over Water Rights / Resources.

It was seconded by Robert Terril. The Board voted 4-0.

### 3) Board Training (Discussion Only)

Joe Davis stated that we have spoken about this for years. We tracked down (RCAC) Rural Community Assistance Corporation. They have some robust Board Training. It consists of two books and some online training. Davis stated that he is not a big fan of online training, he didn't think you get very good interactions out of it. They are willing to come to two consecutive Board Meetings. They will come in and do a two-hour training session at each meeting to go over Board Responsibilities. Davis thinks it would be a good move for the district. It is a commitment though because the first couple of meetings it would take extra time in order to come in and start the meeting earlier to try and get the training in. It will be very beneficial to Board Members. There was some discussion and Board Members thought it was a good idea.

- 4) Approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting held November 14, 2024 (For Possible Action)
  On a motion of Scott Farnsworth and seconded by Ryan Wheeler the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of November 14, 2024 meeting.
- 5) Approval of the Minutes of the previous meeting held December 6, 2024. (For Possible Action)
  On a motion of Scott Farnsworth and seconded by Ryan Wheeler the Board voted 4-0 to approve the minutes of December 06, 2024 meeting.
- 6) Approval of the Official Resolution of The Moapa Valley Water District Resolution No. 2025-01 for the Bureau of Reclamation Water Smart Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects For FY24 and FY25 Round #3 grant and the MVWD Letter of Support (For Possible Action)

Lon Dalley stated that it is time to apply for the next round of meter replacement grant, and an Official Resolution along with a Letter of Support approved by the Board of Directors is required to be submitted with the application. The MVWD FY25 budget has a budgeted amount of \$100,000, for the current grant period. This next round, the BOR increased the amount of the grant to \$125,000. As in the past, this Grant is a matching fund grant, so the district is required to contribute at least an equal amount. This next round

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of grants, which will be completed during FY26 will need a budgeted amount of \$125,000. If MVWD is awarded the Grant, the Board will need to approve a minimum of \$125,000 in the FY26 budget for grant meter replacements. The grant will be for replacing the older water meters with new cellular technology endpoints and water meters. To date, MVWD has replaced about 80% of the total residential meters with the new cellular technology. On a motion from Robert Terril and Seconded by Scott Farnsworth the board Moved to approve the Official Resolution Of The Moapa Valley Water District Resolution No. 2025-01 for the Bureau of Reclamation WaterSMART Small-Scale Water Efficiency Projects For FY24 and FY25 Round #3 grant and the MVWD Letter of Support. The Board voted 4-0.

## 7) Managers' Report

Jeannie Fox Office Manager had two months of reports though October and November and the Budget reports. The first page is our regular budget, and the second page is our Capital Budget. The reason why there are two in the packet is because in December we didn't have the managers' report. The Budget reports look good. Revenues look good, we just got out of the hot time of year. Jeannie went over the financial dashboard and account balances that went through October and November. Board Members had a few questions that were answered.

Lon Dalley Assistant General Manager reported on Ground Water Production. In the month of November, Arrow Canyon #1 pumped 55,611,000 gallons. Baldwin Springs pumped 574,000 gallons which totaled 56,185,000 Gallons. In December Arrow Canyon #1 pumped 8,544,000 Gallons, Arrow Canyon #2 pumped 40,922,000 Gallons, and Baldwin Springs pumped 73,000 Gallons which totaled 49,539,000 Gallons. Dalley went over the graphs and explained to the new Board members how to read them and what they mean. Joe Davis General Manager stated that Warren Hardy will start showing up on the agenda next month and will stay on there through July. The hope will be that he can break away and call in and give us a report on the Legislature. Currently there are 26 BDR'S that are sitting in the Legislature right now that are concerning water. We are anticipating a robust year, Legislation trying to address water issues. It takes a lot of time and effort to stay on top of that.

The Commissioner got us some funding in order to replace that ageing water line on Main Street. There was funding left over since Eagle View's change orders came in under budget. It saved us about \$200,000 dollars. The Commissioner allowed us to spend more of that money. We have installed another 600 feet down to Lewis Lane. We need to finish moving the last meter over and tie it in, then that project will be completed. All of the business community in downtown Overton will have fire protection and maintenance. We have been working with Glorietta Geo Science. We have a Monitoring report that is sent in every year to the state, concerning our Arrow Canyon well. It's a requirement that we have to do. The Church water rights that we purchased are now in our name. We own them and have the reports of conveyance. We have done quite a bit of research on the change apps. We are getting ready to file those. Joe has been working with Greg Morrison our water attorney. Once we get those filed, we are anticipating legal challenges. Joe advised and encouraged new Board members to please reach out to staff and other Board members if they had any questions at all.

## 8) Public Comment. (May be limited to five minutes) None

### 9) Directors' Preference

- -Review Monthly Expenditures Joe went over the Disbursement List and explained to the New Members how everything works. Board Members Scott Farnsworth, Tim Gordon and Robert Terril had a few questions that were answered by staff.
- -Litigation -
- -Other Related Water Rights

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## 10) Public Comment (May be limited to five minutes) None

## **11)** Approval of the February 13, 2025 Board Meeting Board Members agreed to hold the regular board meeting on February 13<sup>th</sup> 2025 at 4:00 pm

## 12) Adjournment

On a motion of Scott Farnsworth and seconded by Robert Terril the meeting adjourned at 5:22pm. The Board voted 4-0