

Board Minutes

Regular Meeting

Thursday, August 12, 2025

Camrosa Board Room

10:00 A.M.

Call to Order The meeting was convened at 10:00 A.M.

Present: Eugene F. West, President
Andrew F. Nelson, Vice-President
Terry L. Foreman, Director
Timothy H. Hoag, Director
Jeffrey Brown, Director

Staff: Norman Huff, General Manager
Tamara Sexton, Deputy General Manager/Finance
Kevin Wahl, Director of Operations
Chris Patascil, Superintendent
Jorge Navarro, Operator III
Johnny Munsill, Assistant IT Manager
Brad Milner, Management Analyst
Robert Hearne, Senior Engineer
Keith Lemieux, Legal Counsel

Guests: Ali Chehrehsez, TerraVerde Energy (teleconference)
Evan Riley, White Pine Renewables (teleconference)
Andrew Sundling, White Pine Renewables (teleconference)

Public Comments

None

Consent Agenda

1. Approved Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 22, 2025
2. Approved Minutes of the Special Meeting of July 25, 2025
3. Approved Vendor Payments

The Board approved accounts payable in the amount of \$629,053.06.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda: Nelson **Second:** Brown

Motion carried unanimously.

Primary Agenda

4. Employee Spotlight

The Board was introduced to Jorge Navarro, Distribution System Operator III.

No action was necessary; for information only.

13. Proposal for Floating Solar at the District's Non-Potable Ponds *(this item was moved ahead of Agenda Item #5)*

The Board discussed the TerraVerde Preliminary 3rd Party Analysis of the proposal for floating solar at the District's non-potable ponds.

No action was necessary; for information and discussion only.

5. Investment Opportunities

The Board authorized the General Manager to re-invest up to \$14.5 million in Treasury Bills or Treasury Notes for Treasury Bills maturing on August 31, 2025, for up to 24 months.

Motion to approve: Nelson **Second:** Brown

Motion carried unanimously.

6. Fiscal Year 2024-2025 4th Quarter Budget Status Report Preliminary

The Board received a report from staff regarding the Fiscal Year (FY) 2024-2025 4th Quarter budget report.

No action is necessary; for information only.

7. Salary and Classification Schedule

Director Foreman requested the salary schedule include the number of FTEs currently employed in each title. The Board adopted Resolution 25-15 Adjusting the District's Salary and Classification Schedule with requested changes.

Motion to approve: Nelson **Second:** Brown

Rollcall: Nelson-Yes; Brown-Yes; Hoag-Yes; Foreman-Yes; West-Yes

8. UniFirst Agreement

The Board authorized the General Manager to renew the agreement with UniFirst for the supply of uniforms for a new term of three years.

Motion to approve: Brown **Second:** Foreman

Motion carried unanimously.

9. Fleet Vehicles

The Board authorized the General Manager to appropriate \$800,000.00, split from the Potable Water, Non-Potable Water and Wastewater Capital Replacement Funds and establish a Fleet Vehicle Replacement CIP and Issue a purchase order to Watsonville Fleet Group in an amount not to exceed \$771,980.64, for the purchase of six F-250 Utility trucks and six Rangers.

Motion to approve: Nelson **Second:** Brown

Motion carried unanimously.

10. Santa Rosa Well No. 10 Rehabilitation Project

The Board took the following actions:

- 1) Appropriated additional funding in the amount of \$225,000 for the Santa Rosa Well No. 10 Rehabilitation/Refurbishment from the Non-Potable Water Capital Replacement Fund; and
- 2) Authorized the General Manager to issue a change order to General Pump Company, Inc., in the amount of \$243,309.36, for installation of well liner.

Motion to approve: Hoag **Second:** Brown

Motion carried unanimously.

11. Effluent Booster Pump 2 Rehabilitation CIP

The Board authorized the General Manager to:

- 1) Appropriate \$40,000.00 from the Wastewater Capital Replacement Fund and establish an Effluent Booster Pump #2 project; and
- 2) Issue a purchase order to General Pump Company, Inc. in an amount not to exceed \$34,651.22, for the Effluent Booster Pump #2 repair and installation.

Motion to approve: Nelson **Second:** Foreman

Motion carried unanimously.

12. Award for Preparation of Camrosa's Urban Water Management Plan Update

The Board authorized the General Manager to award a contract and issue a purchase order with Water Systems Consulting (WSC), in the amount not-to-exceed \$64,689, to provide professional consulting services for the preparation of the Camrosa's Urban Water Management Plan Update.

Motion to approve: Nelson **Second:** Foreman

Motion carried unanimously.

13. Proposal for Floating Solar at the District's Non-Potable Ponds *(this item was moved ahead of Agenda Item #5)*

14. Benefits Ad-hoc Committee Report

The Board received and discussed a report from the Benefits Ad-hoc Committee on the progress of exploring retirement benefit options and the July 18, 2025, CalPERS termination valuation ("buy-out") communication.

No action was necessary; for information and discussion only.

15. Discussion Regarding Program Manager Agreement

The Board discussed potentially entering a professional service agreement for consulting services for Program Management of Camrosa's Water Program Project Implementation.

No action was necessary; for information and discussion only.

16. CAMROSA.COM Internet Domain Name Change Discussion

Staff elicited board opinion regarding an internet domain name change from CAMROSA.COM to CAMROSA.GOV (or CAMROSA.CA.GOV)

No action was necessary; for information and discussion only.

Comments by General Manager

- The new District fuel tank is installed and fully operational.
- A bill insert will be mailed to educate customers on the State's requirement for cross-connection site inspections.

Comments by Directors

- Director Brown asked if the District has enforcement responsibilities for backflows.
- Director Nelson reported attending the CASA conference. Informed the Board that the City of Camarillo anticipates a \$150-200 million budget to replace their wastewater treatment plant, and recommended listening to the recording of LV board general plan and consider ways to collaborate.
- Director Hoag mentioned that residents on NextDoor are discussing cross-connection inspection notices.

Closed Session The Board entered into Closed Session at 12:03 P.M. to confidentially discuss legal matters as authorized by Government Code sections 54956.9.

17. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION (Gov. Code, §54956.9(d)(1))

NAME OF CASE: OPV Coalition et al v. Camrosa Water District, Santa Barbara County Superior Court Case No. VENC100555357.

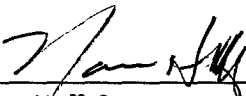
Open Session The Board entered Open Session at 12:50 P.M.

18. Announcement of Reportable Action Taken During the Closed Session

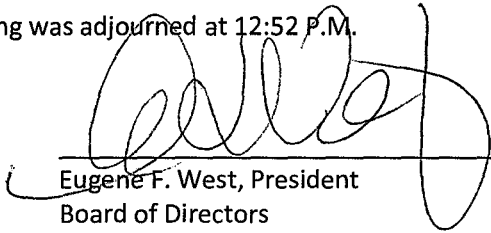
President West directed District Special Counsel Keith Lemieux to announce that in Closed Session the Board voted unanimously to ratify the proposed Phase I Settlement for the OPV Adjudication Litigation.

Adjournment

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 12:52 P.M.



Norman Huff, Secretary
Board of Directors
Camrosa Water District



Eugene F. West, President
Board of Directors
Camrosa Water District (ATTEST)