

MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING OF THE COMMISSIONERS OF THE ANTELOPE VALLEY STATE WATER CONTRACTORS ASSOCIATION, JUNE 11, 2026:

A regular meeting of the Commissioners of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association was held Thursday, June 11, 2026, at 6450 West Avenue N, Palmdale, CA 93551, at 2856 Owens Way, Rosamond, CA 93560, and via teleconference. Vice Chair Van Dam called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

1) Pledge of Allegiance.

At the request of Vice-Chair Van Dam, AVEK Board Member Jay Tremblay led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2) Roll Call.

Attendance:

Gary Van Dam , Vice-Chair
Don Wilson, Secretary
Leo Thibault, Treasurer
Barbara Hogan, Commissioner
Keith Dyas, Commissioner

Others Present (In-person & via Zoom):

Tom Barnes, General Manager
James Chaisson, Assistant General Manager
Viridiana Iguaran, Controller
Paul Early, General Counsel
Jonathan Young, State Water Contractors
Matthew Knudson, AVEK General Manager
Angel Fitzpatrick, AVEK Executive Assistant
Trisha Guerrero, PWD Management Analyst
5 members of the public

EXCUSED ABSENCE --

Kathy Mac Laren-Gomez, Chair

3) Adoption of Agenda.

It was moved by Commissioner Hogan, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to adopt the agenda, as written:

Vice-Chair Van Dam – aye
Commissioner Hogan – aye
Commissioner Thibault – aye
Commissioner Dyas – aye
Commissioner Wilson – aye

4) Public Comments for Non-Agenda Items.

There were no public comments.

5) Special Presentation – State Water Project Energy Roadmap. (Jonathan Young, Energy Manager, State Water Contractors)

Mr. Jonathan Young, Energy Manager, of the State Water Contractors provided a detailed presentation of the Energy Roadmap, highlighting its necessity, mission, and challenges, and emphasizing commitments to carbon neutrality by 2035 and improved efficiency of State Water Project pumps and generators, followed by a brief discussion of energy rates.

6) Consideration and Possible Action on Minutes of Regular Meeting held April 9, 2026.

It was moved by Commissioner Thibault, seconded by Commissioner Wilson, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting held on April 9, 2026, as written:

Vice-Chair Van Dam – aye
Commissioner Hogan – aye
Commissioner Thibault – aye
Commissioner Dyas – aye
Commissioner Wilson – aye

7) Payment of Bills.

It was moved by Commissioner Thibault, seconded by Commissioner Hogan, and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve the payment of bills to AVEK for \$5,000,000.00 in Department of Water Resources pass-through funds, to Woodard & Curran in the amount of \$6,078.75 for services provided for the 2019 AVSWCA IRWM Plan Update and Funding Project, and to Palmdale Water District in the amounts of \$2,087.24 for staff labor charges and \$209.60 for cost associated with the AV Watermaster Engineering Tour of the Littlerock Creek Recharge Project:

Vice-Chair Van Dam – aye
Commissioner Hogan – aye
Commissioner Thibault – aye
Commissioner Dyas – aye
Commissioner Wilson – aye

8) Consideration and Possible Action on Approval of Resolution No. 2026-1 Resolution of the Commissioners of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association Authorizing Completion and Submission of California Fair Political Practices Commission Biennial Notice Regarding the Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Code for the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association. (General Counsel Early)

General Counsel Early provided a brief overview of the California Political Practices Commission Biennial Notice requirement, and after he stated there were no changes to the Association's Conflict of Interest Code, it was moved by Commissioner Hogan, seconded by Commissioner Thibault and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve Resolution No. 2026-1 Resolution

of the Commissioners of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association Authorizing Completion and Submission of California Fair Political Practices Commission Biennial Notice Regarding the Conflict of Interest and Disclosure Code for the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association:

Vice-Chair Van Dam – aye
Commissioner Hogan – aye
Commissioner Thibault – aye
Commissioner Dyas – aye
Commissioner Wilson – aye

9) Consideration and Possible Action on Budgets for Fiscal Year 2026/2027. (Controller Iguaran)

Controller Iguaran provided a detailed overview of the proposed General Operating Budget and Restricted Funds Budget for the Littlerock Creek Joint Groundwater Recharge Program for Fiscal Year 2026/2027, and stated that the Restricted Funds for the USGS Groundwater Monitoring Program and Antelope Valley Integrated Regional Water Management Plan will be presented to the Board for approval at the end of the year, after which it was moved by Commissioner Thibault, seconded by Commissioner Hogan and unanimously carried by all members of the Board of Commissioners present at the meeting on the following roll call vote to approve the Budget for Fiscal Year 2026/2027:

Vice-Chair Van Dam – aye
Commissioner Hogan – aye
Commissioner Thibault – aye
Commissioner Dyas – aye
Commissioner Wilson – aye

10) Littlerock Creek Recharge Project Update. (Assistant General Manager Chaisson)

Assistant General Manager Chaisson provided a brief update on the Littlerock Creek Recharge Project and stated that the application for the Littlerock Creek Recharge Project Storage Agreement has been submitted to the Watermaster with a fee of \$7,000.

General Manager Barnes clarified that the \$7,000 amount is the estimated Watermaster Engineers' fee for the evaluation of the Association's water storage and recovery application which will be paid up front and presented for ratification at the next Association meeting.

11) Report of Controller.

a) Update on Revenue, Expenses, and Change in Net Position.

Controller Iguaran provided a brief update on the Association's revenue, expenses, and change in net position as of April 30, 2026, followed by a discussion on potential investment options for Association funds.

12) Report of General Manager.

a) Future Agenda Items.

General Manager Barnes stated that future agenda items include the approval and filing of the Association's audit, the renewal of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Antelope Valley Regional Water Management Group (RWMG) which currently ends on January 1, 2027, and the preparation of an updated professional service agreement for Engineering & Integrated Regional Water Management Planning, and then stated that the topic for future presentations include an update on the Department of Water Resources Delta Conveyance Project, aqueduct subsidence, golden mussel invasion, the State Water Contractors 2026 Policy Platform, and State Water Project legislative efforts.

13) Reports of Commissioners.

There were no reports of commissioners.

14) Report of Attorney.

No Attorney was present at the meeting.

15) Commission Members' Request for Future Agenda Items.

There were no requests for future agenda items.

16) Consideration and Possible Action on Scheduling the Next Association Meeting on August 13, 2026.

It was determined that the next Regular Meeting of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association will be held on August 13, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.

17) Adjournment.

With no further business to come before the Board of Commissioners, the Regular Meeting of the Antelope Valley State Water Contractors Association was adjourned at 7:11 p.m.


Secretary