



**Final Minutes  
Regular Meeting  
Board of Directors  
Monterey Peninsula Water Management District  
April 20, 2026 at 6:00 p.m.**

Meeting Location: District Office, Main Conference Room  
5 Harris Court, Building G, Monterey, CA 93940 AND  
By Teleconferencing Means - Zoom

**CALL TO ORDER**

Chair Oglesby called the regular session to order at 6:00 p.m.

**ROLL CALL**

**Board Members Present:**

Ian Oglesby, Chair  
Alvin Edwards  
George Riley  
Karen Paull  
Marianne Gawain  
Kate Daniels

**Board Members Absent:**

Rebecca Lindor, Vice-Chair

**District Staff Members Present:**

David Stoldt, General Manager  
Mike McCullough, Assistant General Manager  
Nishil Bali, Chief Financial Officer/Administrative  
Services Manager  
Stephanie Locke, Water Demand Manager  
Sara Reyes, Clerk of the Board / Executive Assistant

Jonathan Lear, Water Resources Manager  
Maureen Hamilton, District Engineer  
Thomas Christensen, Environmental Resources Manager

**District Counsel Present:**

Michael Laredo, De Lay & Laredo

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The assembly recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ADDITIONS AND CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA**

None

**ORAL COMMUNICATIONS**

Chair Oglesby opened the Oral Communications period; however, no comments were received.

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

Director Edwards requested that Item 3 be pulled for discussion.  
Director Daniels requested Items 5 and 6 be pulled for discussion.

Chair Oglesby opened Public Comment; however, no comments were received.

Motion 1: Director Riley offered a motion, seconded by Director Daniels, to approve Consent Calendar items 1, 2, 4, and 7. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Edwards, Daniels, Riley, Oglesby, Paull and Gawain), and 0 Noes.

Motion 2: Director Edwards offered a motion, seconded by Director Gawain, to approve Item 3. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Edwards, Daniels, Riley, Oglesby, Paull and Gawain), and 0 Noes.

Motion 3: Director Daniels offered a motion, seconded by Director Edwards, to approve Item 5. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Edwards, Daniels, Riley, Oglesby, Paull and Gawain), and 0 Noes.

Motion 4: Director Riley offered a motion, seconded by Director Daniels, to approve Item 6. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Edwards, Daniels, Riley, Oglesby, Paull and Gawain), and 0 Noes.

**The following agenda items were accepted as part of the Consent Calendar:**

1. **Consider Adoption of Minutes of the Special Meeting/Board Workshop on March 6, 2026, and the Regular Board Meeting on March 16, 2026**
2. **Consider Entering into a Contract with GSI Environmental to Provide Groundwater Modeling Support to the District**
3. **Consider Authorization of Various Software Subscription Agreements and a New Information Technology Services Contract with DeVeera, Inc.**
4. **Receive and File District-Wide Annual Water Distribution System Production Summary Report for Water Year 2025**
5. **Receive and File District-Wide Annual Water Production Summary Report for Water Year 2025**
6. **Receive Fiscal Year 2024-2025 Mitigation Program Annual Report**
7. **Consider Adoption of Treasurer’s Report for February 2026**

#### **GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT**

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

#### **8. General Manager’s Report**

General Manager Dave Stoldt presented a mid-water-year update on water supply, demand, storage, and related legal and project developments. The Board engaged in discussion following the presentation. The presentation is available on the District’s website.

Chair Oglesby opened Public Comment; however, no comments were received.

#### **REPORT FROM DISTRICT COUNSEL**

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

#### **9. Report from District Counsel**

District Counsel Michael Laredo referenced the litigation report on page 113 of the meeting packet and provided an update of ongoing legal matters.

Chair Oglesby opened Public Comment; however, no comments were received.

#### **DIRECTORS’ REPORTS (INCLUDING AB 1234 REPORTS ON TRIPS, CONFERENCE ATTENDANCE AND MEETINGS)**

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

#### **10. Oral Reports on Activities of County, Cities, Other Agencies/Committees/Associations**

- Director Riley noted his attendance at the Seaside Groundwater Basin Watermaster meeting on April 1, 2026.

#### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

**11. Consider Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 201 – Amending Rules 10, 11, 23, 24, 25.5, 33, 141, 160, 163, 164, 165, and 167**

Stephanie Locke reported that this item presents the first ordinance in a series intended to update and clarify District Rules and Regulations in support of Strategic Goal No. 6. The ordinance includes primarily administrative amendments, minor legal edits, rule clarifications and removals, and updates to tables and system designations. The Board engaged in discussion following the presentation. The presentation is available on the District's website.

Chair Oglesby opened Public Comment; however, no comments were received.

A motion was made by Director Daniels, seconded by Director Riley, to recommend that the Board approve the second reading and adopt Ordinance No. 201 and file a CEQA Notice of Exemption with the County Clerk. The motion passed by a roll call vote of 6 Ayes (Edwards, Daniels, Riley, Oglesby, Paull and Gawain), and 0 Noes.

**12. Hold a Public Hearing on Annual Status of Vacancies, Recruitment, and Retention Efforts Pursuant to Government Code Section 3502.3.**

Nishil Bali, Chief Financial Officer/Administrative Services Manager, presented this item and referred to the staff report on page 269. Following the presentation, the Board discussed the item and acknowledged receipt of the report. The presentation is available on the District's website.

Chair Oglesby opened the Public Comment period; however, no comments were received:

**13. Consider Adoption of Resolution 2026-01 Authorizing an Exception to the CalPERS 180-Day Wait Period for Hiring a Retired Annuitant and Authorization to Execute an Employment Agreement with Stephanie Locke to Fill a Critical Need in the Water Demand Division**

Nishil Bali presented this item and explained that staff are requesting a waiver of the 180-day post-retirement separation period and approval of a limited advisory contract to ensure continuity and knowledge transfer. Following the presentation, the Board discussed the item. The presentation is available on the District's website.

Chair Oglesby opened the Public Comment period; however, no comments were received.

A motion was made by Director Gawain, seconded by Director Paull , to adopt Resolution No. 2026-01 authorizing an exception to the CalPERS 180-day wait period to hire Stephanie Locke as a part-time, limited-term employee and authorize the General manager to execute an Employment Agreement with Stephanie Locke at a rate of \$91.00 per hour with a not to exceed term of June 30, 2027 to fill critical needs in the Water Demand Division and the District. The motion passed by a voice vote of 6 Ayes (Edwards, Daniels, Riley, Oglesby, Paull and Gawain), and 0 Noes.

**BOARD WORKSHOP**

Chair Oglesby introduced the item.

**14. Receive Report and Review Draft 2025 Urban Water Management Plan**

Maureen Hamilton provided an overview of the Draft Urban Water Management Plan and Water Shortage Contingency Plan, including supply and demand projections and drought planning. She reported that the analysis indicates adequate water supplies, with no anticipated need to recover ASR water. Ms. Hamilton also outlined next steps for public outreach, hearings, and adoption prior to submittal to the State by July 1. Following the presentation, the Board discussed the item. The presentation is available on the District's website.

Chair Oglesby opened the Public Comment period, and the following comments were made:

- 1) Tom Rowley commented on recent and upcoming residential and hotel development in Monterey, Seaside, and Marina, noting uncertainties in population growth, school district housing occupancy, and post-COVID water use trends. He expressed that ongoing changes and future projects, including desalination, may warrant an updated study in the next few years and stated that the current analysis is a good starting point.

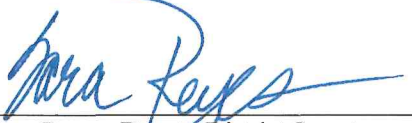
**INFORMATIONAL ITEMS/STAFF REPORTS:**

- 15. Report on Activity/Progress on Contracts Over \$25,000**
- 16. Status Report on Expenditures – Public’s Ownership of Monterey Water System**
- 17. Letters Received and Sent**
- 18. Committee Reports**
- 19. Monthly Allocation Report**
- 20. Water Efficiency Program Report for March 2026**
- 21. Carmel River Fishery Report for March 2026**
- 22. Quarterly Carmel River Riparian Corridor Management Program Report**
- 23. Monthly Water Supply and California American Water Production Report**

*These items were informational only and no action was taken. Copies of these reports are available at the District office and can be found on the District website.*

**ADJOURNMENT**

There being no further business, Chair Oglesby adjourned the meeting at 7:46 p.m.



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Sara Reyes, Deputy District Secretary

Minutes approved by the MPWMD Board of Directors on May 18, 2026.