Approved
09-17-2026

MINUTES

Thursday, July 16, 2026
Mammoth Community Water District
Regular Board Meeting

The Board of Directors convened in session at the hour of 5:32 p.m. No recess was taken, and the meeting was adjourned at 6:28 p.m.

Prepared by:

Stephanie Hake
Executive Assistant

ATTEST:

Clay Murray
Board Secretary

THE REGULAR MEETING of the Board of Directors of the Mammoth Community Water District was held on Thursday, July 16, 2026 at 5:32 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Board Present
Director: Tom Cage
Director: Dennis Domaille
Director: Elizabeth Hylton *(remote attendance)*
Director: Tom Smith
Director: Gary Thompson

Board Absent
None

Staff Present
General Manager: Clay Murray
District Engineer: Garrett Higerd
Finance Manager: Jeff Beatty
Operations Superintendent: Chris Monroe
Information Services Manager: Justin Mulbay
Human Resources Manager: Renee English
Principal Administrative Analyst: Michael Draper
Executive Assistant: Stephanie Hake
Legal Counsel: Josh Horowitz *(remote attendance)*

Guests Present
Leanna Block – MCWD
Melissa Bretz – MCWD

PUBLIC FORUM

President Smith opened the public forum at 5:32 p.m.

President Smith commented to the Board that he has received numerous compliments on the District's float entry in the Town of Mammoth Lakes annual Fourth of July parade. He thanked staff and all those who helped with the successful project.

No one else addressed the Board and President Smith closed the public forum at 5:33 p.m.

CONSENT AGENDA A

A-1 Approve the May and June 2026 Check Disbursements
A-2 Approve the Minutes from the Regular Board Meeting held May 21, 2026
A-3 Approve the Minutes from the Special Board Meeting held June 24, 2026

Director Domaille made a motion.

BOARD ACTION – To approve Consent Agenda A

MOVED BY:	Director Domaille
SECONDED BY:	Director Thompson
AYES:	Directors Cage, Domaille, Hylton, Smith, and Thompson
NAYS:	None

CONSENT AGENDA B – DEPARTMENT REPORTS

B-1 Operations Department Report
B-2 Maintenance Department Report
B-3 Finance Department Report
B-4 Engineering Department Report
B-5 Information Services Report
B-6 Personnel Services Report
B-7 Regulatory Support Services Report
B-8 General Manager's Report

Director Domaille made a motion.

BOARD ACTION – To approve Consent Agenda B

MOVED BY:	Director Domaille
SECONDED BY:	Director Cage
AYES:	Directors Cage, Domaille, Hylton, Smith, and Thompson
NAYS:	None

CURRENT BUSINESS

C-1 Presentation of the MCWD 2025 Annual Report on Key Projects, Programs, and System Improvements

Michael Draper described the highlights in this year's annual report. A brief discussion followed.

BOARD ACTION – None, information only

C-2 Water Supply Update

Chris Monroe provided a brief summary of the current water supply. There was no discussion.

BOARD ACTION – None, information only

C-3 Annual Update on the Status of the LADWP Agreement

Chris Monroe said the District's consumptive water use is well below the maximum allowed in the 2013 agreement. Jeff Beatty added that the interest earnings on the LADWP reserve fund established a couple of years ago are sufficient and the District's usage and savings credits are on track to maximize the extension of the primary term of the agreement.

President Smith complimented staff for being proactive about this future obligation. There was no further discussion.

BOARD ACTION – None, information only

C-4 Discuss and Consider Enacting Ordinance No. 07-16-26-18 Amending Ordinance No. 04-18-19-07 Fixing and Adjusting Director Compensation

Clay Murray said the ordinance was being presented to clean up discrepancies between the Director Compensation Policy and the 2019 ordinance.

There was no discussion and Director Cage made a motion.

BOARD ACTION – To enact Ordinance No. 07-16-26-18 as presented

MOVED BY:	Director Cage
SECONDED BY:	Director Thompson
AYES:	Directors Cage, Domaille, Hylton, Smith, and Thompson
NAYS:	None

C-5 Discuss and Consider Approving Updated and Amended Policies

1. **Rules for the Proceedings of the Board of Directors (PL-BOD-001)**
2. **Board Delegation of Authority to the General Manager (PL-BOD-003)**
3. **Ethics Policy (PL-BOD-004)**
4. **Director Sexual Harassment and Abusive Conduct Prevention Policy (PL-BOD-005)**

Stephanie Hake said the four Board policies were being presented to bring the content and language current with updates to statutes.

Director Cage asked Attorney Horowitz about Rule 1 of the Rules for the Proceedings of the Board of Directors Policy and the annual process of selecting officers. Because of the Board's practice historically, he suggested that instead of stating "The Board will normally follow a rotation…" the policy should state, "The Board may follow a rotation…". Attorney Horowitz said the change made sense and could be done.

Director Cage made a motion to approve the updated Rules for the Proceedings of the Board of Directors. He then amended his motion to include all four policies being presented and the minor update to the Rules for the Proceedings of the Board of Directors

There was no further discussion, and Director Domaille seconded the motion.

BOARD ACTION – To approve the updated policies, including the amendment to PL-BOD-001

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4. **Director Sexual Harassment and Abusive Conduct Prevention Policy (PL-BOD-005)**

MOVED BY:	Director Cage
SECONDED BY:	Director Domaille
AYES:	Directors Cage, Domaille, Hylton, Smith, and Thompson
NAYS:	None

COMMITTEE MEETINGS HELD DURING THE MONTH

Technical Services Committee – *May 20, 2026*
Dennis Domaille
Gary Thompson
Finance Committee – *May 20, 2026*
Tom Cage
Elizabeth Hylton
LAFCO – *June 11, 2026*
Tom Cage
Technical Services Committee – *July 15, 2026*
Dennis Domaille
Gary Thompson
Investment Committee – *July 15, 2026*
Tom Cage
Elizabeth Hylton
Finance Committee – *July 15, 2026*
Tom Cage
Elizabeth Hylton

Technical Services Committee (May 20, 2026):

There was no report from the Technical Services Committee meeting on May 20, 2026.

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Finance Committee (May 20, 2026):

There was no report from the Finance Committee meeting on May 20, 2026.

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Mono LAFCO:

Director Cage said he was not able to attend the meeting, but the scheduled agenda items were to ratify the 26/27 budget and an update regarding inactive special districts.

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Technical Services Committee (July 15, 2026):

Director Domaille reported that the committee discussed how staff are being creative with the required groundwater well sampling schedule in order to minimize Southern California Edison's significant demand charges.

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Investment Committee:

Director Cage said the meeting was routine, noting that the returns continue to be above the benchmarks. He reiterated his appreciation for the Chandler Asset Management team and their professional and knowledgeable investment guidance.

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Finance Committee (July 15, 2026):

Director Cage reported that the meeting was routine with nothing notable discussed.

DIRECTOR COMMENTS, REQUESTS, AND REPORTS

The Board welcomed Renee English, the District's new Human Resources Manager. Director Domaille then praised Ms. English for her knowledgeable guidance with a medical insurance question he recently had.

Clay Murray said that this is Jeff Beatty's last meeting as MCWD's Finance Manager before he retires. The Board congratulated Jeff Beatty on his retirement and commended him for his contributions to MCWD's financial program. All offered him well wishes with his next chapter.

ATTORNEY REPORT

Attorney Horowitz said the state legislature is currently out on summer break. He said there are a number of bills that would be reported on when the legislature reconvenes in August.

CLOSED SESSION

None

ADJOURNMENT

President Smith said there was nothing for closed session and asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting.

BOARD ACTION – To adjourn the Board Meeting

MOVED BY: Director Domaille
SECONDED BY: Director Cage

President Smith adjourned the meeting at 6:28 p.m.