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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MESA WATER DISTRICT
Wednesday, July 22, 2026
1965 Placentia Avenue, Costa Mesa, CA 92627
4:30 p.m. Regular Board Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Board of Directors was called to order at 4:30 p.m. by President DePasquale.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Director Atkinson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present

Marice H. DePasquale, President
Shawn Dewane, Vice President
Jim Atkinson, Director
Fred R. Bockmiller, P.E., Director
James R. Fisler, Director

Directors Absent

None

Staff Present

Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager
Denise Khalifa, Assistant General Manager/District Secretary
Calvin Hsu, CPA, Chief Financial Officer/District Treasurer
Kurt Lind, Business Manager
Juan Hernandez, Water Operations Manager
Peter DeMarco, Water Policy Manager
Brandi Chapman, Board Secretary
Karyn Igar, Principal Engineer
Kaitlyn Norris, Public Affairs Supervisor
Rob Anslow, General Legal Counsel

Others Present

Aaron Klemm, Member of the Public
Geoff Bowman, Vice President, Van Scoyoc Associates
(teleconference)
Steve Gagnon, P.E., Vice President, Raftelis
Theresa Jurotich, P.E., Manager, Raftelis *(teleconference)*
Matthew Bohdan, Partner, Risk and Accounting Advisory
Services, Plante Moran *(teleconference)*
Michael Davidson, Senior Manager, Risk and Accounting
Advisory Services, Plante Moran *(teleconference)*

PUBLIC COMMENTS

President DePasquale asked for public comments on items not on the agenda.

Member of the Public Aaron Klemm addressed the Board regarding a concern related to properties in his neighborhood overwatering.

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The Board thanked Mr. Klemm for bringing the issue to the Board's attention.

ITEMS TO BE ADDED, REMOVED, OR REORDERED ON THE AGENDA

General Manager Shoenberger reported that there were no items to be added, removed, or reordered on the agenda.

CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS:

1. Approve minutes of the adjourned regular Board meeting of June 24, 2026.
2. Receive and file the Developer Project Status Report.
3. Receive and file the Mesa Water and Other Agency Projects Status Report.
4. Receive and file the Water Quality Call Report.
5. Receive and file the Accounts Paid Listing.
6. Receive and file the Monthly Financial Reports.
7. Receive and file the Outreach Update.

President DePasquale asked for comments from the public. There were no comments.

MOTION

Motion by Vice President Dewane, second by Director Atkinson, to approve Items 1 – 7 of the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5 – 0.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

8. FEDERAL ADVOCACY REPORT:

Water Policy Manager DeMarco provided a brief overview of the topic and introduced Van Scoyoc Associates Vice President Geoff Bowman who proceeded with a verbal presentation that highlighted the following:

- An update on the March 30 – April 1, 2026 Washington, D.C. advocacy trip.
- Potential next steps, including consideration of a follow-up Washington, D.C. fly-in for later in 2026 to continue advancing Mesa Water's projects and objectives.

Mr. Bowman responded to questions from the Board and they thanked him for the presentation.

9. SERVICE COST AND PER CAPITA ANALYSIS:

Chief Financial Officer Hsu introduced Raftelis Vice President Steve Gagnon who proceeded with a presentation that highlighted the following:

- Analysis Objective
- Challenges of Using Water Rates to Measure Operational Efficiency
- Sample Water Rate Comparison – 2024
- Estimated Percent Fixed Water Sales Revenue 2015 – 2024
- Estimated Percent Variable Water Sales Revenue 2015 – 2024
- Comparison of Revenue Sources – 2024

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- Share of Total Sales in Revenues
- Total Expenditure Per Capita
- Total Expenses Per Capita
- Comparisons of MGD of Water Delivered per Employee 2024

Mr. Gagnon responded to questions from the Board and they thanked him for the presentation.

10. FINANCIAL SERVICES INITIATIVES UPDATE:

Chief Financial Officer Hsu introduced Plante Moran Partner Matthew Bohdan and Senior Manager Michael Davidson who proceeded with a presentation that highlighted the following:

- Plante Moran Reports
- Control Assessment Report Summary
- Phase 1 (December 2025 to May 2026)
 - Timeline and Scorecard (Phase 1)
- Phase 2 (May 2026 to March 2027)
 - Timeline and Scorecard (Phase 2)
- Observations and Initiatives Summary
- The Road to Gold: Continuous Monitoring and Compliance

Messrs. Bohdan and Davidson responded to questions from the Board and they thanked them for the presentation.

11. PUBLIC AFFAIRS FISCAL YEAR 2026 ACCOMPLISHMENTS:

GM Shoenberger introduced Public Affairs Supervisor Norris who proceeded with a presentation that highlighted the following:

- Strategic Plan: Water Awareness
- Meet the Team
- Customer Communications
- My MesaWater Launch
- New Customer Welcome and 25-year Anniversary Programs
- Community Events
- Hosted Programs
- Directors Community Chats
- Mesa Water Education Center Field Trips and Tours
- Mesa Water Education Center Open House
- Water Use Efficiency

Ms. Norris responded to questions from the Board and they thanked her for the presentation.

REPORTS:

12. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER:

- June Key Indicators Report

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13. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

INFORMATION ITEMS:

14. HUNTINGTON BEACH INTERAGENCY WATER TRANSFER PROJECT

15. FEDERAL ADVOCACY UPDATE

16. STATE ADVOCACY UPDATE

17. ORANGE COUNTY ADVOCACY UPDATE

President DePasquale adjourned the meeting at 5:38 p.m. to a Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 12, 2026 at 4:30 p.m.

Approved:

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Marice H. DePasquale

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Marice H. DePasquale, President

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Denise Khalifa, District Secretary

Recording Secretary: Sharon D. Brimer