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**MINUTES OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MESA WATER DISTRICT
Wednesday, July 9, 2025
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 Fisler led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present

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

Directors Absent

None

Staff Present

Paul E. Shoenberger, P.E., General Manager
Denise Khalifa, Chief Administrative Officer/
District Secretary
Tyler Jernigan, Water Operations Manager/
Acting District Treasurer
Andrew D. Wiesner, P.E., District Engineer
Stacy Taylor, Water Policy Manager
Kurt Lind, Business Administrator
Nadia Boutros, Civil Engineer
Anthony Phou, Controller
Kaitlyn Norris, Senior Public Affairs Specialist
Rob Anslow, General Legal Counsel

Others Present

Bill Dunlap, Member of the Public
Sandy Barberi, Member of the Public
Mary Carolyn, Member of the Public
David Rosten, Member of the Public
Scott Harris, Member of the Public
Melissa Spangler, Member of the Public
Igal Israel, Member of the Public

PUBLIC COMMENTS

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

There were no comments and President DePasquale proceeded with the meeting.

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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 regular Board meeting of June 11, 2025.
2. Approve attendance considerations (additions, changes, deletions).
3. Board Schedule:
 - Conferences, Seminars and Meetings
 - Board Calendar
 - Upcoming Community Outreach Events
4. Approve support of Phelan Pinon Hills Community Services District General Manager Don Bartz for the California Special Districts Association Board of Directors Seat B – Southern Network, authorize President Marice H. DePasquale to be the District’s voting delegate, and direct staff to cast the electronic ballot.
5. Approve a one-time exception to Resolution No. 1579 – the Mesa Water District Board of Directors Travel and Business Expense Reimbursement Policy – to authorize reimbursement for Director Jim F. Atkinson in light of unforeseen and personal circumstances.

MOTION

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Director Atkinson, to approve Items 1 - 5 of the Consent Calendar. Motion passed 5 – 0.

PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION ITEMS:

6. KARL KEMP RESERVOIR SITE AT LINDBERGH PARK:

GM Shoenberger provided an overview of the topic and introduced District Engineer Wiesner who proceeded with a presentation that highlighted the following:

- Proposed Project
- Mesa Water’s Mission Statement
- Mesa Water’s Core Values
- The Karl Kemp Reservoir is Critical Water Infrastructure
- Property Ownership and Agreements
- Supporting Dog Parks in the Right Location
- Potential Off-Leash Dog Park Risks
- Brentwood Park
- Potential Next Steps
- Recommendation

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

Seven Members of the Public offered comments in support of establishing an off-leash dog park at Lindbergh Park, located above the Karl Kemp Reservoir.

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President DePasquale thanked the members of the public for their comments and for bringing their insights and suggestions to the discussion.

No action was taken on this item.

RECESS

President DePasquale declared a recess at 5:42 p.m.

The Board meeting reconvened at 5:52 p.m.

ACTION ITEMS:

7. 2025 PUBLIC HEALTH GOALS REPORT:

MOTION

Motion by Director Bockmiller, second by Director Fisler, to accept the Report on Mesa Water District's Water Quality relative to the 2025 Public Health Goals and receive comments at the Public Hearing scheduled for the July 23, 2025 Board of Directors meeting. Motion passed 5 – 0.

REPORTS:

8. REPORT OF THE GENERAL MANAGER

9. DIRECTORS' REPORTS AND COMMENTS

INFORMATION ITEMS:

10. DIRECTORS' REPORTS (AB 1234) PER CA GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 53232.3 (D)

President DePasquale adjourned the meeting at 6:22 p.m. to a Regular Board Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, July 23, 2025 at 4:30 p.m.

Approved:

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Marice H. DePasquale

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Marice H. DePasquale, President

Signed by:

Denise Khalifa

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Denise Khalifa, District Secretary

Recording Secretary: Sharon D. Brimer