

**NORTH MARIN WATER DISTRICT
MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
March 3, 2026**

CALL TO ORDER

President Eichstaedt called the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of North Marin Water District to order at 4:00 p.m. at the District Headquarters, and the agenda was accepted as presented. Present were Directors Jack Baker, Ken Eichstaedt, Rick Fraites, Michael Joly, and Stephen Petterle. Also, present were General Manager Tony Williams, District Secretary Eileen Mulliner, and AGM/Chief Engineer Eric Miller, and Auditor-Controller Julie Blue.

Staff members Tim Kennedy, Operations and Maintenance Manager, Chris Kehoe, Construction and Maintenance Superintendent, Vincent Verissimmo, and Karen Clyde were also in attendance.

Jake Spaulding of Sonoma Water was also in attendance.

GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

Tony Williams noted that the current NMWD Annual Report had been provided to the Board. Mr. Williams thanked Ryan Grisso, Julie Blue, Eileen Mulliner, and Kiosk for their assistance in putting the report together.

Mr. Williams reminded the Board that they approved a \$1,500 contribution to the NBWA biannual conference on April 9 and that we have received two tickets. Director Fraites will be attending, leaving one available ticket. Director Baker asked to have the second ticket.

Mr. Williams said that the rainfall data issue has been fixed on our website but we are looking into alternative data sources.

Mr. Williams also mentioned that Ryan Grisso presented the mid-year Water Conservation and Communication report at the last Board meeting and had gone over the annual water use objective report to the Water Board. He said a copy of the compliance report is in the Miscellaneous section of the agenda.

OPEN TIME

President Eichstaedt asked if anyone in the audience wished to bring up an item not on the agenda and there was no response.

STAFF AND DIRECTOR'S REPORTS

Director Petterle reported that he and President Eichstaedt had both received an email from the Mayor of Novato requesting a meeting in the spirit of cooperation. Director Fraites said he also received the same email. After some discussion, in order to avoid a possible Brown Act violation, Director Petterle said he would decline and President Eichstaedt and Director Fraites would attend

the meeting. Mr. Williams noted that at staff level there has been quite a bit of coordination with the City.

Eileen Mulliner informed the Board that an Emergency Contact form would be provided to them after the meeting to fill out and have kept on file with our HR/Safety Manager, Karen Clyde.

CONSENT CALENDAR

On the motion of Director Joly, seconded by Director Baker, the Board approved the consent item by the following vote:

AYES: Director(s) Baker, Eichstaedt, Fraites, Joly, and Petterle

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

Approve February 17, 2026 Board Regular Meeting minutes.

ACTION CALENDAR

AUTHORIZE AFFIRMATIVE VOTE FOR SONOMA WATER FY 2026/2027 WATER TRANSMISSION SYSTEM BUDGET

Jake Spaulding, of Sonoma Water (SW), gave a presentation on SW's Water Transmission System Budget. There was some discussion with the Board afterwards and the Board thanked Mr. Spaulding. Mr. Williams added that a multi-year Prop 218 for a pass-through of SW's rate was approved by the Board in 2024.

On the motion of Director Petterle, seconded by Director Baker, the Board approved an affirmative vote by the NMWD WAC member regarding the Sonoma Water FY2026/2027 Water Transmission System Budget by the following vote:

AYES: Director(s) Baker, Eichstaedt, Fraites, Joly, and Petterle

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

ACCEPT FISCAL YEAR 2024/2025 (FY 24/25) SINGLE AUDIT REPORT

Julie Blue gave an overview of the FY 24/25 single audit report resulting from FEMA grant funding for the Oceana Marin Treatment Pond Rehabilitation Project. The audit was required by federal law.

On the motion of Director Fraites, seconded by Director Joly, the Board approved the Fiscal Year 2024/2025 (FY24/25) Single Audit Report by the following vote:

AYES: Director(s) Baker, Eichstaedt, Fraites, Joly, and Petterle

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

JOIN ACWA COALITION FOR SUPPORT OF ASSEMBLY BILL 2180 (AB 2180) AND SENATE BILL 1153 (SB 1153)

Tony Williams gave a brief summary of the item and the proposed state bills. There was some discussion with the Board.

On the motion of Director Joly, seconded by Director Fraites, the Board approved joining the ACWA Coalition for Support of Assembly Bill 2810 and Senate Bill 1153 by the following vote:

AYES: Director(s) Baker, Eichstaedt, Fraites, Joly, and Petterle

NOES: None

ABSENT: None

ABSTAIN: None

INFORMATION ITEMS

FY 2025/26 MID-YEAR PROGRESS REPORT – ENGINEERING DEPARTMENT

Eric Miller gave an overview of the FY 2025/26 Mid-Year Progress Report for the Engineering Department. There was some discussion, Director Joly had some questions about a few of the projects. The Board thanked Mr. Miller.

NEWS AND MISCELLANEOUS REPORTS

The Board received the following miscellaneous items: Disbursements – Dated February 19 and 26, 2026, Auditor-Controller’s Monthly Report of Investments for January 2026, SWRCB “Conservation as a Way of Life” Compliance Summary: North Marin Water District (ORG ID 1748), Obituary - Barbara Munden, former NMWD Director.

ADJOURNMENT

President Eichstaedt adjourned the meeting in honor of former Director Barbara Munden at 5:21 p.m.

Submitted by



Eileen Mulliner
District Secretary