

**MORONGO VALLEY COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

11207 OCOTILLO STREET. MORONGO VALLEY, CA 92256

**SPECIAL BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

6:00 p.m. Regular Business

**January 14, 2026**

Covington Park – Mesquite Room

11165 Vale Drive

Morongo Valley, CA 92256

<https://morongocsd.specialdistrict.org/>

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

The Special Board Meeting of January 14, 2026, was called to order at 6:00 pm.

**B. ROLL CALL**

1. Christina Gorke, President, present
2. Lance Fisher, Vice President, present
3. Johnny Tolbert, Director, present
4. Steve Hayden, Director, present
5. Eva Rowles, Director, not present

**C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

**D. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

The Board of Directors now takes time to consider your comments on items which are on the agenda. The acting Chairperson will recognize you at the appropriate time to assist in the orderly and timely conduct of the meeting. When called upon to speak, please state your name and residence. Comments will be limited to three (3) minutes or less for both agenda items and non-agenda items. If you wish to comment on an agenda item or non-agenda item during Public Comment or raise your hand. In addition, members of the public may submit comments electronically prior to the meeting using the form on the District's website. The acting Chairperson will recognize all electronic comments submitted at least 48 hours prior to the meeting either by reading the comment(s) at the meeting or noting on the record that comments were received and provided to the Board at or before the meeting.

Darin Sanders  
Christopher Cross

**E. NEW BUSINESS**

1. DIRECTOR ROWELS RESIGNATION

**MOITON:** Director Tolbert motioned at accept Eva Rowels resignation.

**SECOND:** Director Fisher.

**RESULT:** Motion passes with a 4/0 vote.

2. GENERAL COUNSEL STEVE KENNEDY RESIGNATION

**No action was taken.**

3. OUTSOURCING HR SERVICES

**Tabled until March.**

4. CHRISTOPHER CROSS CLAIM

**Table until the next regular board meeting.**

**F. INDIVIDUAL DIRECTOR REPORTS**

1. Christina Gorke, President, **thank you for attending.**

2. Lance Fisher, Vice President, **thank you.**

3. Johnny Tolbert, Director, **On November 22<sup>nd</sup> I was accused of a possible assault. Since that time, since the individual has made a purpose to basically attack Board members, attack District staff, attack District Council. Go to a meeting and said he was going to invite out the district for the last meeting. This person definitely claims to care about the district. Care about Morongo Valley, and all I'm saying is attacks and assaults on district staff, that has nothing to do isn't showing they care about it. I've spent years., going by giving water, taking food to the fire department, they appear to do a lot of things. I don't deal with people's words I deal with your actions, and that is the reaction that they care about Morongo Valley at all. And if they do care about Morongo Valley, they will stop harassing district staff, let them to do their job. And we'll move forward there. That's all I know.**

4. Steve Hayden, Director

5. Eva Rowles, Director

**G. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Next Regular Board Meeting January 21, 2025

**H. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved: President Gorke      Second: Director fisher      Vote: 4/0