

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

11207 OCOTILLO STREET. MORONGO VALLEY, CA 92256

**REGULAR BOARD MEETING AGENDA**

6:00 p.m. Regular Business

**February 18, 2026**

Covington Park – MPR  
11165 Vale Drive  
Morongo Valley, CA 92256

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

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**A. CALL TO ORDER**

**B. ROLL CALL**

1. Christina Gorke, President
2. Lance Fisher, Vice President
3. Johnny Tolbert, Director
4. Steve Hayden, Director

**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.

**E. ADDITIONS TO, AND/OR REORDER OF, THE AGENDA**

The Board generally considers items in the order listed on the agenda. However, items may be considered in any order as established by the direction of the Board. Under certain circumstances, new agenda items may be added by unanimous vote of the Board. [Gov. Code Sec. 54954.2(b)(2)]

1. Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of February 18, 2026.

**-ACTION ITEM-**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Accept and approve the February 18, 2026, agenda.

**F. AGENCY REPORTS**

1. Sheriff's Report – San Bernardino County Sheriff's Representative
2. General Manager – Brittany Chavez
3. Fire Chief Report – Michael Caltabiano
4. Cash / Check Disbursements & Credit Card Purchases for January \$100,490.71 - Director Tolbert

## G. CONSENT CALENDAR

Items on the consent calendar are routine matters or formal documents covering previous District Board instruction. Items may be acted on by one motion of the Board unless a Board Member requests a separate discussion and/or action on an item.

1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of January 21, 2026.  
**-ACTION ITEM-**  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Accept and approve the January 21, 2026, minutes.
2. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting of February 4, 2026.  
**-ACTION ITEM-**  
**RECOMMENDATION:** Accept and approve the February 4, 2026, minutes.

## H. NEW BUSINESS

1. MVCSD DIRECTOR APPOINTMENT  
**-ACTION ITEM-**  
**RECOMMENDATION:** On January 13, 2026, Eva Rowels resigned from the Board of Directors, and the resulting vacancy was posted on January 15, 2026. It is recommended that the Board of Directors review, discuss and appoint a new board member.
2. SMITH MARION & CO AUDIT DRAFT  
**-ACTION ITEM-**  
**RECOMMENDATION:** It is recommended that the Board of Directors review, discuss, and approve the draft audit report from Smith Marion & CO.
3. SDRMA RISK MANAGEMENT REPORT  
**DISCUSSION:** The SDRMA Risk Control Evaluation conducted in January 2026 found that the Morongo Valley Community Services District is largely compliant with Cal/OSHA and property/liability best practices, with most required safety programs in place, actively maintained, and supported by regular training. The report identified a small number of corrective items, including developing a written fall protection program and addressing minor facility hazards. It is recommended that the Board of Directors review and discuss the risk management report.
4. RADIO PURCHASE FOR MORONGO VALLEY FIRE DEPARTMENT  
**-ACTION ITEM-**  
**RECOMMENDATION:** The Fire Chief is requesting approval to take the command vehicle home in order to respond to afterhours calls more quickly. This change would improve response time and ensure leadership is available when emergencies occur outside of normal business hours. It is recommended that the Board of Directors review, discuss, and approve Chief Caltabiano taking home the command vehicle.
5. PAINTING HYDRANTS FOR THE 250<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
**DISCUSSION:** It is recommended that the Board of Directors review and discuss painting the hydrants for the 250<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

## I. CONTINUED BUSINESS

1. GENERAL COUNSEL BIDS  
**-ACTION ITEM-**  
**RECOMMENDATION:** The Districts General Counsel Steve Kennedy has resigned from the District. It is recommended that the Board of Directors review, discuss, and approve moving forward with a new attorney.

2. K&M ENTERPRISES GRANT WRITING PROPOSAL

**-ACTION ITEM-**

**RECOMMENDATION:** K&M Enterprises have proposed providing grant writing and fund development services to support Morongo Valley Fire Department in pursuing foundation, state, and federal funding opportunities, including FEMA AFG and SAFER grants. The proposal includes a one-year agreement for 20 hours per month at a discounted rate of \$95 per hour, totaling \$1,900 per month or \$22,800 annually. It is recommended that the Board of Directors review, discuss and approve the agreement with K&M Enterprises.

**J. INDIVIDUAL DIRECTOR REPORTS**

1. Christina Gorke, President
2. Lance Fisher, Vice President
3. Johnny Tolbert, Director
4. Steve Hayden, Director

**K. ANNOUNCEMENTS**

1. Next Regular Board Meeting March 18, 2026.
2. MVFD Annual Pancake Breakfast March 14, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

**L. ADJOURNMENT**

Moved:          Second:          Vote:

I certify under penalty of perjury under California State Law that the foregoing agenda for the Morongo Valley CSD Board of Directors meeting was posted in the District Office Bulletin Board, the Covington Park Bulletin Board, and the Morongo Valley Café window not less than 24 hours prior to the meeting.



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Brittany Chavez, General Manager



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Christina Gorke (Feb 12, 2026 11:22:04 PST)

Christina Gorke, President










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