

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 07, 2026

Covington Park – Mesquite Room
11165 Vale Drive
Morongo Valley, CA 92256

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A. CALL TO ORDER

The Special Board Meeting of January 07, 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, 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.

Christopher Cross
Byran Duke

E. CLOSED SESSION

The Closed Session of the Board of Directors of January 07, 2026, was called to order by President Gorke at 6:11 PM, with Vice President Fisher, Director Tolbert, Director Hayden, Director Rowles, General Counsel Steve Kennedy and General Manager Brittany Chavez.

1. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
Significant exposure to litigation pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)
One potential case

F. CLOSED SESSION REPORT

The Closed Meeting of the Board of Directors of January 07, 2026, reconvened and was called to order by President Gorke at 7:04 p.m. President Gorke reported that the Board of Directors had denied Christopher Cross's claim by a 3-0-2 vote, with President Gorke and Director Tolbert abstaining.

G. NEW BUSINESS

1. BRUNICK, MCELHANEY & KENNEDY UPDATED RETAINER AGREEMENT
This item was tabled.

H. INDIVIDUAL DIRECTOR REPORTS

1. Christina Gorke, President, **thank you all in attendance.**
2. Lance Fisher, Vice President
3. Johnny Tolbert, Director
4. Steve Hayden, Director
5. Eva Rowles, Director

I. ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Next Regular Board Meeting January 21, 2025

J. ADJOURNMENT

Moved: President Gorke Second: Director Fisher Vote: 5/0