

**GOLDEN HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT**

**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING**

**FEBRUARY 20, 2025**

**5:00 PM**

**21415 REEVES STREET**

The GHCS D Board of Directors duly met for a Regular Meeting on February 20, 2025, at 21415 Reeves Street, Tehachapi, California.

**OPEN SESSION:** Convened at 5:00 PM

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** David Benham, John Buckley, Matt Guggemos, Scott Wyatt

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** Joe King

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Christopher Carlson, General Manager; Davin Blain Water Operations Manager

**2. CLOSED SESSION INPUT:**

No Public Comment

**3. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:**

Director Benham referenced the items listed on the Agenda for Closed Session and advised the Board and public that these items would be discussed under Closed Session. Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel would provide an update via Zoom in the conference room.

Motion to adjourn to Closed Session made by Director Guggemos at 5:05 PM, seconded by Director Buckley and carried by the following vote:

**AYES:** Benham, Buckley, Guggemos, Wyatt

**NOES:** None

**ABSTAIN:** None

**ABSENT:** King

**CLOSED SESSION – CONDUCTED IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM.**

**A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION**

Government Code § 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)  
Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 22PR00156

Director King arrived at the beginning of Closed Session. Motion to adjourn from Closed Session made by Director Buckley at 5:36 PM, seconded by Director Wyatt and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Benham, Buckley, Guggemos, King, Wyatt

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**OPEN SESSION – 6:00 P.M.**

**4. FLAG SALUTE:**

Board and audience recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

**5. REPORTING ON CLOSED SESSION:**

No Reportable Action.

**6. PUBLIC COMMENTS:**

No Public Comments

**7. OPTIMIZED INVESTMENT PARTNERS (OIP) QUARTERLY INVESTMENT REPORT:**

Board heard OIP presentation on status of current District investments.

**8. FINANCIAL REPORT:**

Staff presented report on the District's financial statements.

**9. CONSENT CALENDAR:**

Motion to approve the consent calendar A-D was made by Director Buckley, seconded by Director King and carried by the following vote:

- AYES: Benham, Buckley, Guggemos, King, Wyatt
- NOES: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: None

**10. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:**

General Manager provided a report to the Board and public.

**11. RESOLUTION 25-10 PROVIDING FOR AN INCREASE IN THE SOLID WASTE COLLECTION FEES JULY 1, 2025:**

Motion to approve Resolution 25-10 Providing for an Increase in the Solid Waste Collections Fees July 2025 was made by Director Wyatt, seconded by Director Buckley, and carried by the following vote:

- AYES: Benham, Buckley, Guggemos, King, Wyatt
- NOES: None
- ABSTAIN: None
- ABSENT: None

**12. P-2 WELL PROGRESS UPDATE AND PROPOSED SCOPE OF WORK TO COMPLETE PROJECT:**

Board heard progress report from Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group on the P-2 well project. No action taken.

**13. PUBLIC AGENCY RETIREMENT SERVICES (PARS):**

Board heard staff report on the status of the enhanced retirement plan. No action taken.

**14. COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

A. STANDING COMMITTEES:

- 1) Finance – Director Guggemos gave a brief summary of OIP presentation.
- 2) Personnel – No report given.

B. AD HOC COMMITTEES:

- 1) Surrounding Community – No report given.
- 2) Nature Park Activity Priorities – Committee met and discussed volleyball courts, disc golf and pickleball courts.

C. REVIEW OF AD HOC COMMITTEES AND ASSIGNED OBJECTIVES.

No action taken.

D. REVIEW OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES.

No action taken

**15. NEW BUSINESS:**

None

**16. ADJOURN MEETING:**

Motion to adjourn meeting at 7:21 was made by Director King, seconded by Director Buckley and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Benham, Buckley, Guggemos, King, Wyatt

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

Respectfully submitted,

Approved:

/s/  
Christopher Carlson, Secretary

/s/  
David Benham, Chair