

GOLDEN HILLS COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MINUTES FOR THE REGULAR MEETING

AUGUST 21, 2025

5:00 PM

21415 REEVES STREET

The GHCSO Board of Directors duly met for a Regular Meeting on August 21, 2025, at 21415 Reeves Street, Tehachapi, California.

OPEN SESSION: Convened at 5:00 PM

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

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

OTHERS PRESENT: Christopher Carlson, General Manager; Davin Blain Water Operations Manager; Brian Barnett Business Analyst; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel

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.

Motion to adjourn to Closed Session was made by Director Guggemos at 5:02 PM, seconded by Director King and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Benham, Buckley, Guggemos, King, Wyatt

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

CLOSED SESSION – CONDUCTED IN THE CONFERENCE ROOM.

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION

Government Code § 54956.9, subd. (d)(1)
In the Matter of the Bozenich Family Trust dated August 10, 1999;
Santa Barbara Superior Court Case No. 22PR00156

B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – ANTICIPATED LITIGATION:

Government. Code § 54956.9 (d)(2) and (d)(4): One Matter

Motion to adjourn from Closed Session was made by Director King at 5:59 PM, seconded by Director Buckley 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:

Legal Counsel reported that a settlement has been reached with the Trustee of the Bozenich Trust and the settlement documentation is being finalized.

6. PUBLIC COMMENTS:

None

7. FINANCIAL REPORT:

Staff presented report on the District's financial statements.

8. CONSENT CALENDAR:

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

AYES: Benham, Buckley, Guggemos, King, Wyatt

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

9. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT:

General Manager provided a report to the Board and public.

10. GOLDEN HILLS NATURE PARK CEQA DRAFT PRESENTATION

Board reviewed the Golden Hills Nature Park Master Plan Administrative CEQA Initial Study Draft and Mitigated Negative Declaration and provided feedback prior to the 30 day public notice period.

11. COMMITTEE REPORTS:

A. STANDING COMMITTEES:

- 1) Finance – King gave a report.
- 2) Personnel – No report given

B. AD HOC COMMITTEES:

- 1) Surrounding Community – Benham gave a report.
- 2) Nature Park Activity Priorities – Buckley gave a report.

C. REVIEW OF AD HOC COMMITTEES AND ASSIGNED OBJECTIVES.

None

D. REVIEW OF THE STANDING COMMITTEES.

None

12. NEW BUSINESS:

None

13. ADJOURN MEETING:

Motion to adjourn meeting at 6:45 PM was made by Director King, seconded by Director Guggemos 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