



## MINTUES FOR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

IDYLLWILD WATER DISTRICT  
25945 Highway 243  
Idyllwild, CA 92549

May 15, 2024 – 6:00 P.M.

### AGENDA

#### CALL TO ORDER

President Schelly called the meeting to order at 6 p.m.

#### ROLL CALL

Director Olson, Director Kunkle, Director Davis, Director Szabadi and President Schelly were present. General Manger Sauer, Chief Financial Officer Shouman and General Counsel Stewart Holland were also present.

#### PUBLIC COMMENTS

David Hunt said thank you for opening the General Manger position. Geno Schinder shared his thoughts on the district. Mark Lamont wanted to thank the district for getting the hydrants up and running.

#### 1. CONSENT CALENDAR

Consent Calendar items are expected to be routine and non-controversial, to be acted upon by the Board at one time without discussion. If any Board member, staff member, or interested person requests that an item be removed from the Consent Calendar, it shall be removed so that it may be acted upon separately.

#### A. MINUTES

Special Board Meeting:	January 27, 2024
Regular Board Meeting:	April 17, 2024
Special Board Meeting:	May 1, 2024

#### B. FINANCIAL REPORTS

- a. Income statement for the tenth month ending April 30, 2024
- b. District warrants for April 2024

Check #18234-18289	= \$ 307,177.18
Gross Payroll	= \$ 69,500



Federal/State PR taxes = \$ 6,250.00  
 LAIF Transfers = \$0  
 Transfers/charges = \$349.00

**C. OPERATIONS REPORT**

**INFORMATION**

**2. GENERAL MANAGER REPORT**

The General Manager will update the Board on accomplishments, challenges that have occurred and key performance metrics.

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Director Kunkle mentioned that there were some grammatical errors. Director Kunkle asked about the expense. Vice President Szabadi voiced his opinion about the district's expenses. President Schelly mentioned that he did look at the expenses and it was all apart of the CIP. Director Kunkle asked about the 17% water loss. General Manger Sauer explained to him where the numbers came from. Director Davis asked Hosny if the sales have any relationship to water loss. President Schelly mentioned that he would like to see more water sales. Director Davis asked about the well rehab and asked if video was going to be done at the same time. Vice President gave his report on the WWTP and discussed the outline of the meeting they had with Nathan and meeting deadlines.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

David Hunt said he agreed with Vice President Szabadi's concerns. Mark Lamont said he agreed with President Schelly.

A motion was made by Director Olson to approve the Consent Calendar and Director Szabadi seconded.

The vote was as follows:

<b><u>AYES</u></b>	<b><u>NAYS</u></b>	<b><u>ABSTAIN</u></b>	<b><u>ABSENT</u></b>
Director Davis			
Director Olson			
Director Kunkle			
Vice President Szabadi			
President Shelly			

**Motion approved.**



**DISUSSION ITEMS**

**3. BOARD WORKSHOP**

The Board of Directors will discuss the June 5, 2024, Board Workshop at 6 p.m. regarding various capital improvements projects and budget items.

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

**ACTION ITEMS**

President Schelly opened Public Hearing.

**4. RESOLUTION NO 796 WATER STAND-BY ASSESSMENTS FOR FY 2024-2025**

The Board of Directors will hold a Public Hearing to consider approving Resolution No. 796 for Water Stand-BY Assessments for FY 2024-2025 for undeveloped parcels within the Idyllwild Water District service area.

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

President Schelly simonized that it is the same fees as always and thank you for paying your standby fees.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

President Schelly closed Public Hearing.

A motion was made by Director Szabadi to approve Resolution No 796 Water Stand- By FY 2024-2025 and Director Davis seconded.

**AYES**

Director Davis  
Director Olson  
Director Kunkle  
Vice President Szabadi  
President Shelly

**NAYS**

**ABSTAIN**

**ABSENT**



**Motion approved.**

President Schelly opened Public Hearing.

**5. RESOLUTION NO 797 SEWER STAND BY ASSESSMENTS FOR FY 2024-2025**

The Board of Directors will hold a Public Hearing to consider approving Resolution No. 797 for Sewer Stand-BY Assessments for FY 2024-2025 for undeveloped parcels within the Idyllwild Water District Improvement District No.1 (sewer service area).

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

President Schelly said it's the same fee as always.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Steve Moulton asked for calcification on the \$30.00 fee.

President Schelly closed Public Hearing

A motion was made by Director Szabadi to approve Resolution No 797 Sewer Stand-By for FY 2024-2024 and Director Davis seconded.

**AYES**

Director Davis  
Director Olson  
Director Kunkle  
Vice President Szabadi  
President Shelly

**NAYS**

**ABSTAIN**

**ABSENT**

**Motion approved.**

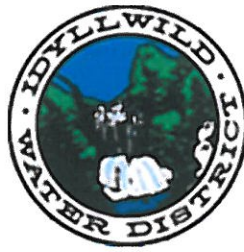
**6. CONFLICT OF INTEREST CODE POLICY**

The Board of Directors will discuss approving Resolution 798, adopting a Conflict-of-Interest Code which supersedes all prior Conflict of Interest Codes and amendments previously adopted.

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

Director Olson mentioned that there is an incorrect word on the resolution.





**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

None.

A motion was made by Director Olson to approve the Conflict-of-Interest Code Policy with the change of the incorrect word replaced with the correct word. Director Szabadi seconded.

The vote was as follows:

**AYES**

Director Davis  
Director Olson  
Director Kunkle  
Vice President Szabadi  
President Shelly

**NAYS**

**ABSTAIN**

**ABSENT**

**Motion approved.**

President Schelly opened Public Hearing.

**7. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE/ DISMISSAL/ RELEASE**

Government Code § 54957(b). Upon conclusion of the Disciplinary Appeal Hearing, the Board will deliberate in closed session on the subject matter of the hearing.

**DIRECTOR COMMENTS**

None.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Dave Hunt talked about his interactions with Mr. Reyes over the years and expressed that he believes the issue is from lack of leadership from the district. Geno Schneider talked about his “roots” in the community and his interactions with Mr. Reyes. He also mentioned that he thought Mr. Reyes was “under attack” and he thought Mr. Reyes maybe got “overly defensive”. He also mentioned that he believes the District needs to give him a decent severance pay. Lesile Schelly asked that the board take in consideration the rate payer monies. She also mentioned her opinions on severance pay comments. Diana Reyes talked about her husband and his dedication to his work. She also said she wishes that they would just consider him and hear Mr. Reyes out. Rachel Teeguarden talked about her inaction with Mr. Reyes and how scared she was of Mr. Reyes. Mark Lamont elaborated on the incident that occurred between Rachel



and Mr. Reyes at the Idyllwild Fire Department. Mr. Reyes shared his side of the story of what happened at the Idyllwild Fire Department.

### **HEARING COMMENTS**

General Manger Curt Sauer provided the Districts opening statement and Joe Reyes provided his opening statement. Mr. Sauer called Mr. Brian Wilson in to be a witness. He was sworn in and was asked numerous questions pertaining to the grievance he filed in October. Mr. Reyes had the opportunity to ask Mr. Wilson questions and Mr. Wilson answered them. Mr. Sauer was the next witness on behalf of the District and was sworn in and he gave his testimony and also submitted documents for evidence. Mr. Reyes was then asked if he had any objections to the documents being submitted as evidence and there was no objection. Then Mr. Reyes was asked if he had any questions for General Manager Sauer, and he asked a few questions and General Manager Sauer answered. Mr. Reyes was sworn in and gave his testimony. President Schelly asked if he had any evidence, he would like to present any evidence and he said responded, no. Mr. Sauer was then asked if he had any questions for Mr. Reyes and he did not. Mr. Reyes then called his wife Diana Reyes to be a witness and she was sworn in and answered questions from Mr. Reyes and then Mr. Reyes shared more of his side. Mr. Sauer was then asked if he had any questions for Mrs. Reyes and he did not have any questions. Mr. Reyes then called Geno Schinder to be his next witness, Geno shared his thoughts on the situation. Mr. Sauer was then asked if he had any questions for Geno, and he did not. Mr. Reyes was then asked if he had any other witnesses, he didn't. Mr. Sauer was then asked if he had any rebutting evidence he would like to include. Mr. Sauer then provided a closing statement and along with Mr. Reyes. The Board Members were then given the opportunity to ask questions. Director Davis asked a question to Mr. Reyes. President Schelly then asked a few questions to Mr. Sauer, and he answered, and Mr. Reyes also chimed in. Vice President Szabadi then asked Mr. Sauer questions. Mr. Reyes was then given the chance to make comments on the questions asked Mr. Sauer. Mrs. Reyes then shared a few comments on behalf of her husband. Mr. Sauer then asked if he could respond back to Mr. and Mrs. Reyes, and he did for clarification on the files.

President Schelly closed the Public Hearing.

### **DIRECTORS CLOSING COMMENTS**

None.

The Board moved to Closed Session at 8:50 p.m.



### CLOSED SESSION

#### 9. Public Employee Discipline/Dismissal/Release

Government Code § 54957(b). Upon conclusion of the Disciplinary Appeal Hearing, the Board will deliberate in closed session on the subject matter of the hearing.

The Board returned into open session at 9:15 p.m.

### REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION

The Board Reported they would make a final decision within three weeks.

### DIRECTOR COMMENTS

None.

### ADJOURNMENT


The Board adjourned at 9:18 p.m.

The next Board meeting is a Regular Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m., to be held at the Idyllwild Water District Boardroom, 25945 Hwy. 243, Idyllwild, CA 92549. Please note that we have moved our board meeting a week, because we are closed for the holiday on June 19<sup>th</sup>.

Idyllwild Water District

BY:   
Curt Sauer  
Board Secretary

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BY:   
Dr. Charles Schelly  
Board President

