

**POTTER VALLEY IRRIGATION DISTRICT  
MINUTES  
BOARD MEETING**

**MARCH 18, 2026**

The Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Potter Valley Irrigation District was called to order by President Janet Pauli @ 7:00 pm at the Potter Valley Irrigation District Office

**Directors Present:** Dir. Janet Pauli, Dir. Guinness McFadden, Dir. Mac Magruder, Dir. Dan Thornton and Dir. Steven Giuntini

**Staff Present:** Superintendent Don Brown, Attorney Cliff Paulin, Webmaster Elaine Lindelef and Assessor/Collector Patti Boatwright,

**Absent:** Secretary/Treasurer Michelle Ricetti

**Others Present:** Matt Delbar, Todd Lands, Darcy Burke, Rich Brazil, Kyle Farmer, Chance Edmondson, Dennis Hollingsworth

**Public Comment:** Matt Delbar inquired about the possibility of selling water outside of our district. Current PVID bylaws don't allow it, possibly neither does PG&E Contract.

**Minutes:**

- **Dir. Thornton made a motion to approve the February 2026 Regular Meeting Minutes as amended and Dir. Magruder seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Check Register:** The February check register totaling \$34,657.01 and the unpaid bills totaling \$5,742.33 were reviewed;

- **Dir. Magruder made a motion that the unpaid bills be approved for payment, Dir. Giuntini seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.**

**Financial Report:** Report was reviewed and discussed

**Assessor/Collector's Report:** Assessor/Collector Boatwright prepared a report with the following information.

Total Overdue A/R: .....	\$ 31,284.51
Water.....	\$ 16,918.77

Standby..... \$ 12, 275.32  
Penalty..... \$ 2090.42

**Attorney's Report:** Report items will be covered later on Agenda.

**Superintendent's Report:** Superintendent Brown updated board on current construction on lateral 44 at Kimmel's property. After inspecting gate 2 on the west, they will need to replace the pipe as well.

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**1. Website Report:** Webmaster will be working on updating our website.

**2. Mendocino County Inland Water & Power Commission Report:** Dir. Pauli reported:

- As of March 26<sup>th</sup> the Chinook Salmon run has stopped. There are 263 Steelhead so far this year. Stats will be updated next week.
- Questionnaire for Prop 4 application has been filled out and submitted.
- Community Project funding may be available in 2027 for the USACE feasibility study to raise Coyote Valley Dam. Letter of support was sent from the Farm Bureau. MCIWCP sent requests for support of the community project funding to Congressman Huffman and Senators Padilla and Schiff.

**3. Discussion: PVID share of future funding for legal and engineering expenses associated with the PG&E License Surrender process, the New Eel Russian Facility (NERF) and USACE Feasibility study for Coyote Dam:**

- IWCP preparing invoice for this year. Estimated \$100,000 will be discussed when we get the draft MCIWCP Budget.

**4. Discuss East Branch Russian River Check Damns:** Still being discussed by PG&E's, Sonoma County will analyze dam conditions.

**5. Continued discussion of Temporary Variance flows and report on drought working group:** Last year PVID protested the temporary variance. Dir Pauli reviewed previous history of variances requested by PG&E. PG&E is asking FERC to rule on 2026 Variance early. PVID board will be sending both a comment letter and a motion to intervene. PVID reviewed our draft letter to FERC.

- **Dir. Magruder made a motion to authorize Board President and council revise letter incorporating changes discussed and file the**

**letter by the deadline. Dir Thornton seconded the motion. Dir McFadden opposed, all others approved. The motion passed.**

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**1. Discuss water tank program with Beth Salomone:** No information available for this meeting. Will continue this item to the April Agenda.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

  
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Janet Pauli, President

  
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Michelle Ricetti, Secretary/ Treasurer