

CARSON WATER SUBCONSERVANCY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS &
CARSON RIVER WATERSHED COMMITTEE MEETING

July 16, 2025

Minutes

Chairperson Ernie Schank called the Carson Water Subconservancy District (CWSD) Board of Directors Meeting to order at 6:30 pm in the Tahoe Reno Industrial General Improvement District (TRI-GID) conference room at 1705 Peru Drive, McCarran, NV 89434. A roll call of the CWSD Board of Directors was taken and a quorum was determined to be present.

CWSD Directors present:

Myles Getto
Stacey Giomi
Sharla Hales
Tammy Hendrix (*Zoom*)
Jim Hindle
Doug Johnson
Cassi Koerner

Ernie Schank
Lisa Schuette
Lee Sterrett
Fred Stodieck
Nathan Tolbert
Mike Workman

The roll call included CWSD Committee Member present: David Griffith. Charlie Dobson was absent.

CWSD Staff & Guests present:

Kathy Canfield, Storey County
Allison Cramer, RCI (*Zoom*)
Donald Gilman, Storey County
Maydelin Griffith, Public
Ed James, CWSD
Steve King, CWSD Attorney

Brenda Hunt, CWSD
Lindsay Marsh, CWSD
Kelly Nicholas, CWSD
Debbie Neddenriep, CWSD
Jessica Prager, Storey County
Carmen Schank, Public

Director Tolbert led the pledge of allegiance.

Item #4 – Discussion Only: Public Comment – None

Item #5 – For Possible Action: Approval of Agenda

Committee Member Griffith motioned to approve the Agenda for July 16, 2025. Director Stodieck seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

Item #6 – For Possible Action: Approval of Board Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2025

Director Sterrett asked that a line in his Director report on page three be revised for clarity.

Director Koerner motioned to approve the Board Meeting Minutes of June 18, 2025, with revision to Director Sterrett report as requested. Director Sterrett seconded the motion and the Board unanimously approved.

****CONSENT AGENDA****

Item #7 – For Possible Action: Approval of Treasurer's Report for June 2025

Item #8 - For Possible Action: Approval of Payment of Bills for June 2025

Item #9 For Possible Action: Approval of Contract #2025-18 Responsive Management for the Carson River Watershed Literacy Resurvey Project, not to exceed \$50,000

Item #10 For Possible Action: Approval of Contract #2025-6 with Dayton Valley Conservation District for Middle Carson River Hazard Removal Project, not to exceed \$100,000

Item #11 For Possible Action: Approval of 5-Year Mud Lake Water Use Agreement with Carson City

Item #12 For Possible Action: Approval of the Lost Lakes Water Use Agreement with Carson City

Item #13 For Possible Action: Approval of Contract #2025-17 with Carson City – Mexican Dam Portage Construction, not to exceed \$173,600

Item #14 For Possible Action: Approval of Contract #2025-19 with Dayton Valley Conservation District for Pradere/Ricci Project, not to exceed \$177,772.59

Director Giomi made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. The motion was seconded by Director Getto and was unanimously approved by the Board.

****END CONSENT AGENDA****

Item #15 For Discussion Only: Update on the 30-Year Regional Water Plan

Lindsay Marsh, CWSD Water Resources Specialist 1 provided a presentation the 30-Year Regional Drought and Sustainability Water Plan. She explained the background of the plan, which was funded by a grant from Nevada Division of Emergency Management (NDEM) in 2022 to study the effects of groundwater pumping and surface water interaction. The plan aims to understand purveyor capacity for growth, water quality, water rights, climate effects on stream flow, and water planning for the future.

The Board discussed the impact of climate change on stream flow and the importance of water resource planning. Ms. Marsh presents data showing changes in stream flow over time, with a focus on the timing of runoff. There was discussion of the impact of earlier spring runoff on supplemental pumping and irrigation practices, as well as the potential for earlier planting seasons and the challenges of using water at colder temperatures. The impact of climate change on agricultural practices was discussed and the need for outreach to the agricultural community.

Ms. Marsh presented data on groundwater levels and well head declines in various areas of the watershed. Highlighting the impact of groundwater pumping on stream flow and the potential for conjunctive management, Mr. James explained the importance of understanding the magnitude of groundwater pumping impacts and the need for further modeling. The Board also considered the potential for forest management practices to enhance water supply and reduce sedimentation.

Ms. Marsh stressed the importance of outreach to water purveyors and the agricultural community to gather input on water resource planning. Various mitigation options, such as reclaimed water, water storage, and supplemental water were discussed. Mr. James emphasized the need for cooperation with state and federal agencies to ensure accurate data and assumptions are used in future planning. The potential impact of groundwater pumping on water rights shows the need for clear communication with stakeholders.

[View presentation slides here.](#)

No action taken.

Item #16 For Discussion Only: Staff Reports

Ms. Marsh reported on the following:

- She stated she is Co-Chair of the NWRA Fall Symposium this year and that Chair Schank will be speaking on the history of the Lahontan Reservoir. Director Getto has also been asked to speak at the Irrigation and Agriculture Committee during the event.

Legal – None

Correspondence –

(1) EPA Letter of Support to Congressional Leaders

Item #17 For Discussion Only: Directors & Committee Members Reports

- Director Johnson reported the Stormwater Management Workshop will be held in September. Douglas County has purchased a parcel near Johnson Lane to be an additional basin.
- Committee Member Griffith reported the Annual Death Ride was last weekend. Despite the heat there were not any problems. In fact, they had rain and hail crossing over the top.
- Director Tolbert related a camping story with his young son where they found big bear paws outside of his tent in the morning.
- Director Giomi reported that Carson City has a new City Manager as of July 1, Glen Martel. He was a civil engineer by trade and is also a veteran - retired General! Director Giomi also thanked Mr. James for presenting the Carson River Floodplain Management Plan to the Carson City Board of Supervisors, which they adopted.

Item #18 For Discussion Only: Public Comment – None

There being no further business before the Board, Chairperson Schank adjourned the meeting at 7:39 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Catrina Schambra

Secretary to the Board