MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE TWENTYNINE PALMS WATER DISTRICT 72401 HATCH ROAD, TWENTYNINE PALMS, CA 92277

June 25, 2025 / 4:00 P.M.

Call to Order and Roll Call

President Bob Coghill called the Board meeting to order at 4:00 p.m. Those responding to roll call were Michael Arthur, Larry Bowden, Bob Coghill, Randy Leazer, and Amy Woods. Also present were General Manager Matt Shragge, Maintenance Superintendent Mike Minatrea, Financial Consultant Scott Nelsen, and District Secretary Cindy Fowlkes. Treatment/Production Superintendent Robert Shelton was absent.

Pledge of Allegiance

Steve Gurney led the pledge.

Public Comments

None

1. Public Hearing Regarding Vacancies in Compliance with Assembly Bill 2561 (2024) Local Public Employees; Vacant Positions

Director Arthur moved to open the public hearing at 4:05 p.m., seconded by Director Woods, and unanimously approved.

There being no public comment, Director Woods moved to close the public hearing at 4:05 p.m., seconded by Director Arthur, and unanimously approved.

Governor Newsom signed into law Assembly Bill (AB) 2561, amending the Meyers-Milias Brown Act, mandating that public agencies hold a public hearing at least once per fiscal year to report on vacancies, recruitment status, and retention efforts.

In fiscal year 2024-2025, the Board approved a total of 24 positions, 19 of these represented by the American Federation of State, County, and Municipal Employees Union (AFSCME). As of June 1, 2025, all 19 of the represented positions were filled, equating to a 0% vacancy rate. In fiscal year 2024-2025, the District successfully completed two recruitments.

Director Leazer made a motion to receive and file the District's report on workforce vacancies, recruitment, and retention, seconded by Director Arthur, and approved by the following roll call vote:

Ayes:

Directors Arthur, Bowden, Leazer, Woods, and Coghill

Noes:

None

Abstain:

None

Abstain: None Absent: None

- 2. <u>Future Agenda Items and Staff Tasks/Directors' Comments and Reports</u>
 There was none.
- 3. Adjournment

On motion by Director Arthur seconded by Director Bowden, and approved by the Board, the meeting was adjourned at: 4:07 p.m.

Bob Coghill, President Board of Directors

Attest:

Matthew Shragge, Boalescretary
Twentynine Palms Water District