



MEETING MINUTES

April 14, 2026 – 10:00 a.m.
BOCC Chambers Pahrump, NV

Members:

Charles "Heath" Miller - Area 1 (Carrant Creek/Smoky Valley)
Unfilled - Area 2 (Tonopah/Manhattan)
Edwin Goedhart - Chair, Area 3 (Beatty /Armargosa Valley)
Helene Williams - Vice Chair - Area 4, Position 1 (Pahrump Valley)
Bruce Holden - Area 4, Position 2 (Pahrump Valley)
Ernie Jackson - Area 4, Position 3 (Pahrump Valley)
Michael Lach - At Large

Board of County
Commissioners: Debra Strickland

Staff: Daniel C. Weeks

1. (00:00:NA) Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance
2. (00:00:NA) Roll Call – All Present: Mrs. Williams, Mr. Holden, Mr. Miller, Mr. Goedhart and Mr. Lach (by telephone). Mr. Jackson was not present.
3. (00:00:NA) Mission Statement – "Protect, Provide and Preserve the water resources of Nye County."
4. (00:00:NA) Approval or Alteration of Agenda for April 14, 2026.

The manager asked that item 21 be removed from the agenda.
5. (00:00:NA) General Public Comment - First.
6. (00:00:NA) MEMBERS'/MANAGER'S COMMENTS (This item limited to announcements or topics/issues proposed for future workshops/agendas.
7. (00:00:NA) Disclosure Of Ex-Parte Communications and Possible Conflict of Interest.

Mr. Goedhart disclosed that he owns water rights in Nye County and explained that he would recuse himself if he felt there were any conflicts of interest. Mr. Miller explained that he held water rights and would disclose if there was any conflict of interest. Mr. Lach mentioned that he was a holder of water rights in Nye County. Nye County Commissioner Debra Strickland disclosed that she was a licensed well driller in the State of Nevada but as she was not a voting member of the board she did not present any risk of a conflict.

8. (00:00:NA) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Emergency Items.

No action was taken by the board.

9. (00:00:NA) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion and deliberation to accept the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Tentative Budget of the Nye County Water District Governing Board.

Mrs. Williams made a motion to accept the proposed Fiscal Year 2026-2027 Tentative Budget of the Nye County Water District Governing Board. Mr. Lach offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

10. (00:00:NA) PRESENTATION – Discussion and deliberation of update from Marcus Faust Lobby Team on progress made toward executing the WRRDA 2024 Grant Application to fund \$2,000,000 for the Nye County Water District's Water Infrastructure and Pipeline Project in Fiscal Year 2027.

No action was taken by the board.

11. (00:29:38) PRESENTATION – Discussion and deliberation on a presentation of the 2026 Round Mt. Gold Water Management Update offered by RMGC consultant Jay Dixon PLLC. No time limit will be imposed.

No action was taken by the board.

12. (00:40:09) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion, deliberation and consideration to approve, amend and approve or reject a request for funding of BEC Environmental Inc. Work Order #8 in the amount of \$20,000 for technical services on an as-needed basis to support the Nye County Water District General Manager.

Mrs. Williams made a motion to approve a request for funding of BEC Environmental Inc. Work Order #8 in the amount of \$20,000 for technical services on an as-needed basis to support the Nye County Water District General Manager. Mr. Holden offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

18. (00:45:42) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion and deliberation to accept, amend and accept or reject a letter of support from the Nye County Water District Governing Board to the Amargosa Town Board on the continuing efforts to establish an Ash Meadows National Conservation Area.

The item died for lack of motion.

The manager was directed to forward the item to Nye County Administration for consideration.

13. **(01:15:18) PRESENTATION – Update from BEC Environmental and Nye County Water District staff on the status, progress and key milestones of programs funded through grant revenues.**

No action was taken by the board.

14. **(01:21:34) FOR DISCUSSION ONLY – Discussion and deliberation of the forthcoming 2026 Earth Day celebration to be held in Pahrump on April 18 at the Bob Ruud Community Center from 10 a.m. through 3 p.m.**

No action was taken by the board.

15. **(01:22:36) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion and deliberation to accept or reject Nye County Water District Resolution 2026-5 which would create a new Fund to establish a separate special revenue fund dedicated exclusively to grant awards secured by the Nye County Water District.**

Mr. Holden made a motion to accept Nye County Water District Resolution 2026-5 which would create a new Fund to establish a separate special revenue fund dedicated exclusively to grant awards secured by the Nye County Water District. Mrs. Williams offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

16. **(01:24:55) FOR POSSIBLE ACTION – Discussion and deliberation to accept, amend and accept or reject a protest letter composed by the General Manager to be sent to the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection on a proposed hazardous medical waste mitigation facility planned to be built in central Pahrump by MediWaste Disposal LLC.**

Nye County resident Doug Blackstock said that he supported the Board being concerned about the proposed project and suggested the Private Well Owners did not support the project. Nye County resident Debra Strickland read a letter written by Fay Brudeziky

Mrs. Williams made a motion to accept and amend the protest letter by removing Items #2 and #3 from the body of the letter on a proposed hazardous medical waste mitigation facility planned to be built in central Pahrump by MediWaste Disposal LLC before sending to Nevada Division of Environmental Protection. Mr. Lach offered a second to the motion which was approved through a vote of 4-1 with Mr. Holden voting against. Contact with Mr. Lach was briefly interrupted.

19. **(01:45:35) FOR DISCUSSION ONLY – Discussion and deliberation on the pending advertisement of renewal and vacancy in Nye County Water District Governing Board positions Area 4, positions 2 & 3 and the At Large position. Board members impacted by the renewal include: Michael Lach, Bruce Holden and Ernie Jackson. Notice is expected to be posted in mid-May, prior to the expiration of the current terms which end in June 2026.**

No action was taken by the board.

17. (01:49:55) **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion and deliberation to approve, amend and approve or reject proposal from GeoSystems Analysis, Inc. to develop a comprehensive visualization package illustrating the Pahrump Valley Hydrographic Basin’s measured changes in groundwater elevation and depth over the 18+ years of the Pahrump Groundwater Level Monitoring Program. Approval of this item would represent an unbudgeted expense of \$20,900.00.

The item died for lack of a motion.

20. (02:04:21) **FOR DISCUSSION ONLY** – Discussion and deliberation on grant funding of \$5,000 from the Nevada Division of Environmental Protection for the Nye County Prescription Drug Deactivation Project which is part of the recently updated Nye County Community Source Water Protection Plan.

No action was taken by the board.

22. (02:08:42) **SUPPORTING REPORTS** – Organization Members, Staff and County Liaison.

The manager informed the board that the new Nye County Water District Public Learning Center development was progressing well.

23. (02:10:05) **FOR POSSIBLE ACTION** – Discussion and deliberation to set the date, time and location of the next Water District Governing Board meeting for Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at the Pahrump Commissioners Chambers.

Mr. Holden made a motion to set the date, time and location of the next Water District Governing Board meeting for Tuesday, May 26, 2026 at 10:00 a.m. at the Pahrump Commissioners Chambers. Mrs. Williams offered a second to the motion which was approved through a unanimous vote of 5-0.

24. (02:11:40) **CLOSING GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT** – Up to three-minute time limit per person. Action will not be taken on the matters considered during this period.

25. (02:11:59) **BOARD COMMENTS** – (This item limited to announcements and to propose future workshops or agendas and should not revisit matters addressed during the meeting.)

26. (02:12:52) **ADJOURN.**

WDGB Chair

Date: _____

WDGB Manager

Date:
