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Final Board Meeting Minutes
Regular Board Meeting (5:30 PM)
21 October 2026 – EAWSD Conference Room

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER by President Calzada at 5:30 p.m.

ROLL CALL by J. Hamilton. Those present were President Calzada, Vice President Burling, Secretary Yard and Director Sanford. A quorum of Directors was present. Treasurer Roghair was absent.

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Kyle Harwood, Legal Counsel; Maya Clifford, General Manager; Anthony Marino, Jacobs Operations Project Mgr., (via ZOOM); Anna Mondragon-Metzger, Executive Administrator; Justin Hamilton, Office Manager; and **three (3) guests.**

APPROVAL OF AGENDA: 21 October 2026
- President Calzada asked if there were any additions or corrections to the agenda of 21 October 2026.

MOTION: Vice President Burling moved to approve the agenda for 21 October 2026. Secretary Yard seconded the motion.
- No further discussion.
- Vote was 4 to 0 in favor of the motion to approve the agenda for 21 October 2026.

APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES: 16 September 2026
- President Calzada asked if there were any additions or corrections to the meeting minutes of 16 September 2026.

MOTION: Vice President Burling moved to approve the meeting minutes for 16 September 2026. Secretary Yard seconded the motion.
- No further discussion.
- Vote was 4 to 0 in favor of the motion to approve the meeting minutes for 16 September 2026.

CONSENT AGENDA:

A.	**Formal Notice and Request for the 2027 Operating Plan Letter for Santa Fe County**	*M. Clifford*
B.	**Emergency Water Service Shutdown Notification and Communication Protocol Letter to Santa Fe Public Schools**	*M. Clifford*
C.	**Consideration and Approval to enter into the Aqueous Film-Forming Foam (AFFF) Products Liability Litigation (MDL 6321) Program C.A.A.N.**	*M. Clifford*
D.	**EAWSD "Ready, Willing and Able" Policy Letter to Santa Fe County**	*M. Clifford*

- President Calzada asked if there were any questions or discussions to add to the Consent Agenda.

MOTION: Secretary Yard moved to approve Consent Agenda Items A., B., C., & D., as presented. Vice President Burling seconded the motion.
- No further discussion.
- Vote was 4 to 0 in favor of the motion to approve the Consent Agenda.

REPORTS:

Management Report: *M. Clifford*

- Ms. Clifford updated the Board on the following items:
  - Drought Update: Due to the increase in precipitation in September, water delivery values decreased, but the flow in the Rio Grande increased, which had a positive impact on Compact deliveries.
- Ms. Clifford also showed graphs from John Fleck's blog regarding the amount of precipitation in September in Albuquerque, which was the largest in the historical records, however, the 2026 Water Year was the lowest precipitation recorded in Albuquerque's history.
- She concluded her presentation by explaining the aquifer recharge at Well 18.
  - A discussion ensued including General Counsel Harwood clarifying that the 'ground to water' depth started at 80-feet within the depth to water non-pumping level in 2011. The lowest recorded depth to water non-pumping level was 296 feet in May 2023. Since June 2026, the well has risen 16-feet in total. This is largely attributed to the increase in Santa Fe County wheeling waters flowing through the system.
  - It was pointed out by Director Sanford that the budgeted amount for the current schedule is $90,000 over. Ms. Clifford responded that this is correct and the scheduled Santa Fe County water will be adjusted as the budget year proceeds.

Operations Report: *A. Marino*

- Mr. Marino reported on the following items:
  - Water loss increased in September, and the crew is checking key spots identified by the last Asterra scan for any standing water or 'damp' spots.
  - Mr. Marino updated the Board that the new Tank 4 booster transmitter was installed.
  - Lastly, Mr. Marino apologized for not being present at the meeting and said he was attending training with other Jacobs staff in Albuquerque for the next two (2) days.

Treasurer's Report: *E. Roghair*

- As Treasurer Roghair was not present, no update was given.

Legal Update: *K. Harwood*

- Counsel Harwood reminded the Board of the Executive Session on October 29th following the Well #19 mediation which is scheduled for October 28th.
- Counsel Harwood stated that he is grateful to work with the EAWSD Board of Directors and is looking forward to future work whether policy or water rights related.

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- Joe Loewy, a resident of 6 Monterey Road encouraged the Board to support Agenda Item #2 concerning the submission of applications for financial assistance and project approval to the NM Finance Authority (NMFA).

1. Consideration and Approval of the Cielo Colorado Estates Development Agreement Amendment Nº. 3 *M. Clifford, K. Harwood*

- Ms. Clifford gave a brief synopsis of the prior history of the Cielo Colorado Estates development agreement.
- Counsel Harwood expanded on the process that had been pursued to fashion a new development agreement and reminded the Board that the "Ready, Willing, and Able" policy letter approved in the consent agenda to be sent to Santa Fe County clarified that Santa Fe County should not finalize the plat until receiving the Nº. 3 amendment.
- Secretary Yard asked if the developer would have the ability to drill a private well in any of the lots.
  - Counsel Harwood clarified that the agreement stipulates that applying for any additional water rights or drilling permits is prohibited. He also responded that the EAWSD is, in some ways, 'building the plane while we are flying it' in terms of assessing 'older' development agreements and creating a standard operating procedure (SOP) if a developer reaches out for a new development agreement or an amended development agreement.

MOTION: Vice President Burling moved to approve the Cielo Colorado Estates Development Agreement Nº. 3. Director Sanford seconded the motion.

- No further discussion.
- Vote was 3 to 0 in favor of approving the motion.
- Secretary Yard abstained from voting as it was unclear to him if another well could be drilled.

2. Consideration and approval of Resolution No. 27-10-01 authorizing and approving submission of applications for financial assistance and project approval to the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA) *M. Clifford, K. Harwood*

- Ms. Clifford presented the resolution with a brief recap of the smart metering information that has been gathered by consultants and staff.
  - Discussion continued with questions around who the 'installer' of the new smart meters would be, and it was explained that until Jacobs has the final loan/grant terms from the Water Trust Board, they will not be able to commit to being the installer.
  - Additional questions around the smart meters guaranteed warranty and if the battery is replaceable, which staff relayed that it is not.

MOTION: Vice President Burling moved to approve Resolution Nº. 27-10-01 authorizing and approving submission of applications for financial assistance and project approval to the New Mexico Finance Authority (NMFA). Secretary Yard seconded the motion.

- No further discussion.
- Vote was 4 to 0 in favor of approving the motion.

BOARD COMMENTS:

- Vice President Burling stated that his house is listed and showings have started. He also mentioned that his condo in California is increasing fees by 5%.
- Secretary Yard mentioned how grateful he is to Anthony and the Jacobs crew for the work they do to keep the District running.
- Director Sanford thanked Counsel Harwood for joining the meeting and for the other Board members.
- President Calzada thanked the guests for being in the audience and encouraged everyone to come to Vice President Burling's last meeting in December.

ADJOURNMENT:

- President Calzada adjourned the meeting at 6:34 p.m.