



BOARD OF DIRECTORS BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 26, 2026

5:12 p.m. – 10:57 p.m.

Board Meeting

Item 1. Open Meeting, Pledge of Allegiance and Invocation

President Reininger opened the board meeting at 5:12PM, determining that a quorum of the Board of Directors was present as follows:

President Nick Reininger – *Present*

Vice-President Joseph Benavides – *Present*

Treasurer Cynthia Cash – *Present*

Secretary Andrea Velasquez – *Absent*

Director Cheryl Patterson – *Present*

Director Jamie Trant – *Present*

Director Ben Raska – *Present*

President Reininger led the Pledge of Allegiance and Michael Saldana provided the invocation. Michael Saldana announced that he was video recording the meeting.

Item 2. Executive Session: pursuant to Sec. 551.071, Tex Gov't Code (consultation with attorney)

- a. Pending or threatened litigation
- b. Water supply issues
- c. CCN and permitting

President Reininger closed general session at 5:13 p.m.

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President Reininger closed executive session at 6:39 p.m.

No action was taken during executive session.

President Reininger re-opened general session at 6:56 p.m.

Item 3. Public Comments

- a. Non-agenda items – *No action requested/No action taken.*
- b. Agenda Item Specific – *Citizens to be heard.*

Ms. Emberson spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought

Ms. Schaefer spoke to the Board about the concerns with Data Centers and encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought

Mr. Roach spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought

Ms. Haegner spoke to the Board about being new to the area but encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought.

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Ms. Champagne spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and questioned why it hasn't already.

Mr. Garrison spoke to the Board about the effects that Data Centers have on the water and encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought.

Mr. Boesen spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to think about the water that is in this area for people and the animals.

Ms. Lindsey spoke to the Board about the Governor moving to Stage 4 and continued to encourage the District to Stage 4 drought.

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Mr. Drahmer spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and the effects Data Centers have on the area.

Mr. Jones spoke to the Board about the rivers in the area that are going dry encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought.

Ms. Finlayson spoke to the Board about being a home school and depending on nature, encouraging the District to move to Stage 4 drought.

Ms. Lumsford spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and the effects Data Centers have on the area.

Ms. Wiebe spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and the effects Data Centers have on the area.

Ms. Parker spoke to the Board about being with the San Marcos River Foundation and City Council and encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and the effects Data Centers have on the area.

Ms. Porterfield spoke to the Board about the effect on Data Center users and all around surrounding SUD's that are affected and the needs of future water.

Mr. Muth spoke to the Board about Data Centers in the area and gave thanks for posting the packet and Board emails for communication.

Mr. Martinez spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and the effects low rivers we have in the area.

Ms. Bently spoke to the Board about effects Data Centers have on the area and the current water crisis that this area is in.



Mr. Levinski spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought.

Ms. Lake spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and the effects Data Centers have on the area.

Mr. Johnson spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and the effects Data Centers have on the area and being forced to leave the area.

Mr. Pinon spoke to the Board about living in the District and the effects Data Centers have on the area. Long term effects for short gains.

Ms. Fields spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought.

Mr. Lee spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and how he had to dig his well deeper.

Ms. Prafillo spoke to the Board about Data Centers are not needed and AI is not needed in this area.

Mr. Tindell spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and wanting to know what concerns are for moving to stage 4. Does not want Data Centers in this area but understands what CCSUD has to do.

Ms. Brown spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought and showing support for the community.

Ms. Barsh spoke to the Board about encouraging the District to Stage 4 drought.

Ms. Batkins spoke to the Board about her history and how scary it is and questions about who benefits really from Data Centers.

Ms. Hodge spoke to the Board about the support of the community and how ground water and to remind everyone that we all drink the water.

Mr. Muser spoke to the Board about protecting the water always and AI is challenging our minds.

President Reiningger thanked everyone for being present at the meeting.

Item 4. Consent Agenda

- a. Approve Minutes January 22, 2026, Regular Board Meeting.
- b. Approve November 2025 Financials/Investment Report.
- c. Approve December 2025 Water Loss Reports
- d. Approve February 2026 Monthly Report.
- e. Approve M&S Report/CCSUD Capital Improvement Plan



Director Patterson moved to approve Consent Agenda as presented. Vice-President Benavides seconded the motion. The motion passed.

Item 5. Regular Agenda.

- a. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Personnel – General Manager Appointment

Director Raska moved to appoint Michael Saldana as General Manager of Crystal Clear Special Utility District effective immediately. Director Patterson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

- b. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Employee Recognition - *No action requested/No action taken.*

- c. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Additional Staffing

Director Raska moved to approve the request from Staff for 3 additional employees to be hired and recruiting being on 3/1/2026. Director Patterson seconded the motion. President Reininger nay. The motion passed.

- d. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Nueces River Authority Option Agreement

President Reininger moved to approve the Nueces River Authority Option Agreement as presented and allow non-substantive changes. Director Patterson seconded the motion. The motion passed.

- e. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Kingsbury Waterline Project – Recommendation of Award of Contract

President Reininger moved that the Board of Directors approve Award for the Kingsbury Pipeline Phase II Project to JM Pipeline, LLC in the amount of \$807,185.00. Treasurer Cash seconded the motion. The motion passed.

- f. Updated/Discussion/Possible Action: Customer Grievance Update – *No action requested/No action taken.*

- g. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Finance/Cash Flow – *No action requested/No action taken.*

- h. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Private Fire Hydrants

Director Raska moved that the Board of Directors approve the new policy language for Private Fire Hydrants and for Staff to update the District's Rules and Regulations to reflect the new policy language as presented. Director Patterson seconded the motion. Vice-President Benavides abstained. The motion passed.

- i. Strategic Planning and Rules and Regulations Committee Report and Discussion on the subjects below

1. Easement Guidance Policy – *No action requested/No action taken.*



2. Leak Adjustment Policy – *No action requested/No action taken.*
3. Owners and Tenants – *No action requested/No action taken.*
4. Multiple Connections to a Single Tap– *No action requested/No action taken.*

j. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Workshop for Board Members – *No action requested/No action taken.*

k. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: New Impact Fee Study

Treasurer Cash moved to approve the Staff for purchase of option A for Waterworth Software. Vice-President Benavides seconded the motion. The motion passed.

l. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Website update – *No action requested/No action taken.*

m. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Recording or meetings – *No action requested/No action taken.*

n. Update/Discussion/Possible Action: Request for Quotation – Professional Services – *No action requested/No action taken.*

Item 6. Board Member items

- a. Next regular meeting April 23, 2026 – *No objection.*
- b. Items for Future Agendas – *No action requested/No action taken.*

Item 7. Executive Session

President Reininger recessed the general session at 10:38 p.m.

President Reininger opened the executive session at 10:44 p.m.

President Reininger closed executive session at 10:55 p.m.

No action was taken during executive session.

President Reininger re-opened general session at 10:55 p.m.

Director Raska moves to approve 19.75% salary increase for Michael Saldana, General Manager. Vice-President Benavides seconded the motion. The motion passed.

No additional items other than those summarized above were taken into executive session.

Item 8. Adjournment

President Reininger adjourned the board meeting: 10:57 p.m.



**NOTE: The Board reserves the right to retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda or any matter for which a closed session is permitted by law to seek the advice of its attorneys or any matters on which under Sections 551.071, 551.072, 551.074 and/or 551.076 of the Texas Open Meetings Act (Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code).*


Board President Signature


Board Secretary Signature

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OR

Board Designee in absence
of Board President

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of Board Secretary