De Luz
Community Services
District

Board Of Directors
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Debbie Roberts
General Manager
James E. Emmons

MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
October 21, 2026
6:00 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL

This regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the De Luz Community Services District was held at the DLCSD office, 41606 Date Street, Suite 205, Murrieta, CA on October 21, 2026. The meeting was also held electronically by Zoom. The meeting was called to order by Vice President Bowman at 6:00 p.m. Those present at the meeting were as follows:

Directors Present:

Charles Bowman, Vice President
Robert D'Alessandri, Treasurer
Paula Carroll, Director
Gina Rawson, Director

Directors Absent:

Debbie Roberts, President

Staff Present:

James Emmons, General Manager/Secretary
Theresa Snyder, Finance Manager
Isabel Gavidia, Administrative Supervisor
Ana Banford, Administrative Assistant
Nick Gieseman, Field Supervisor
Dane Carroll, Field Worker

The flag salute was led by Vice President Bowman.

B. SHERIFF: CONTRACT (FY 2026/27) AND REPORTS

Captain Mark Rigali introduced himself as the Southwest Commander and a resident of De Luz, expressing his pleasure to serve the community and offering to answer any questions from the Board and the public.

Deputy Jacobo introduced himself as the new Deputy assigned to the De Luz community. He noted that he has served at the Temecula Valley Station for the past 11 years and is well-acquainted with the De Luz area.

Deputy Jacobo presented the Sheriff's Report and provided an update on recent law activities. He highlighted several notable calls for service throughout the District spanning incidents from September through October, including Carancho Fire, a fraudulent land sale, trespassing at a rental property on Fuerte Road, an illegal marijuana grow abatement on Carancho Road and Via Blanco, theft of radio equipment on Camino Gatillo Road, and a recovered stolen vehicle on Vista Del Mar. Additionally, he reported an animal cruelty call involving a bobcat trapped on Adler Lane that was successfully handled by Fish and Game. Deputy Jacobo concluded by informing the Board that he plans to randomly adjust his schedule to conduct targeted traffic enforcement intended to reduce speeding and unsafe driving throughout De Luz roads. His detailed report is available in the Zoom recording on the website.

In addition to Deputy Jacobo's report, General Manager Emmons presented a video of the Carancho Fire taken by a De luz resident, noting that SDG&E confirmed the fire was caused by downed power line.

The Board considered the Annual Renewal of Contract with Riverside County Sheriff.

Motion was made by Carroll, seconded by Rawson to execute Annual Renewal of a Contract with Riverside County Sheriff.

AYES: Bowman, Carroll, D'Alessandri, Rawson
NOES:
ABSENT: Roberts
ABSTAIN:

The motion was approved 4-0.

C. PUBLIC COMMENT:

There was no public comment.

D. LEGISLATIVE TOPICS:

Syrus Devers, District Advocate, presented updates on two primary legislative matters: Advanced Clean Fleets and organic waste diversion. Regarding Advanced Clean Fleets, he reported that public fleets are required to ensure 50% of new vehicle purchases are zero-emission between now and 2030. Devers continues to evaluate Zero-Emission Vehicles (ZEV) performance against existing fleet vehicle regulations to establish a clear baseline for this program. Regarding organic waste diversion, he updated the Board about efforts to secure a 5-year extension to allow the District. He noted that CalRecycle has set a deadline of January 1, 2029, after which daily fines will be imposed unless new legislation is passed to grant the extension.

E. INFORMATION ONLY:

The statement of Investment Policy and the Financial Statements were received by the Board.

F. CONSENT CALENDAR:

Motion was made by Carroll, seconded by Rawson to approve the Consent Calendar as follows:

1. Minutes of September 16, 2026, Regular Board Meeting
2. General Fund & Sheriff Special Tax Claims for September 2026
3. Purchase Order No(s): 26-02, 26-03, 26-04

AYES: Bowman, Carroll, D'Alessandri, Rawson
NOES:
ABSENT: Roberts
ABSTAIN:

The motion was approved 4-0.

G. UPGRADE GIS SYSTEM:

General Manager Emmons presented on the integration of an upgraded GIS platform, designed to improve the response time for pothole repairs. This system allows for a more proactive approach to addressing road hazards by filling potholes shortly after mapping. Emmons introduced Cyvl as the new platform for the District that will automate road inspections using vehicle mounted sensors, replacing manual methods. District GIS Analyst, Rex Miller then advised the Board that Willdan, the District's engineering staff, is successfully utilizing Cyvl pavement management system to help engineers model maintenance costs, classify pavement distress, and score road health.

H. ORDINANCE NO. 26-04 – SUPERSEDING ORDINANCE NO. 2020-02, AND FINDING THE ORDINANCE EXEMPT FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

Vice President Bowman announced that this was a Public Hearing to consider adoption of Ordinance No. 26-04: Superseding Ordinance No. 2020-02, and finding the Ordinance exempt from the CEQA.

There was no public comment.

Motion was made by Carroll, seconded by Rawson to approve the exemption as follows:

AYES: Bowman, Carroll, D'Alessandri, Rawson
NOES:
ABSENT: Roberts
ABSTAIN:

The motion was approved 4-0

I. RESOLUTION NO. 26-10 – APPROVING PARTICIPATION IN THE SPECIAL DISTRICT RISK MANAGEMENT (SDRMA) HEALTH BENEFITS PROGRAM AND AUTHORIZING MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)

The Board considered Resolution No. 26-10, Approving participation in the SDRMA health benefits program and approving Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to continue participation in SDRMA.

Motion was made by Bowman, seconded by Carroll to adopt Resolution No. 26-10: Approving participation in the SDRMA health benefits program and authorizing Memorandum of Understanding (MOU).

AYES: Bowman, Carroll, D'Alessandri, Rawson
NOES:
ABSENT: Roberts
ABSTAIN:

The motion was approved 4-0.

J. ROADWAY REHABILITATION PROJECTS

Deputy District Engineer Crim reported to the Board that the Sycamore Mesa and Calle Capistrano project, noting that final project closeout steps were finalized this past month, and the stop sign issue has been resolved.

K. ROAD MAINTENANCE/FIELD CREW REPORT

Maintenance Supervisor Gieseman provided an update on several projects. He reported that weed abatement was completed on Calle Escadera, Calle Vista Lejos, Vista Del Mar, Via Los Ventos, and Las Casitas. Pothole patching was completed on Carancho Road, Los Gatos, and El Calamar. He noted that several fallen trees resulting from weekend rainstorms were removed along Sandia Creek Drive, El Prado Road, Via Los Ventos, Las Casitas, Calle Cuero, Avenida Tierra, Calle Jardin, Via Santa Rosa, and Via Horca. Additionally, Gieseman advised the committee that paving on Sandia Creek Drive was completed by contractor Candee Construction.

L. COMMITTEE REPORTS

ENGINEERING COMMITTEE REPORT

Director Bowman advised that the Engineering Committee met on October 13, 2026, and had a standard meeting encompassing items previously discussed in this meeting.

FINANCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Director D'Alessandri reported that the Committee met on October 20, 2026, and stated the General Fund and Sheriff Fund activity were presented previously. He reported that the LAIF interest rate remains 3.9% and advised that we are still awaiting on outstanding FEMA funds.

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Vice President Bowman reported that updates were given by Syrus Devers, Agenda item D. There is no further information at this time.

M. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Emmons updated the Board on the District's storm preparedness for El Niño. He reported that contractors Candee Construction and Dylon Dixon have been utilized for culvert pipe cleaning and noted that 300 sandbags being have been secured and are available for District residents.

N. LEGAL COUNSEL MATTERS

Legal Counsel Simmons emphasized the SB 1005 was signed into law in September, authorizing special districts to accept cash payments and round cash transactions or refunds to the nearest five cents. He recommended drafting a Board resolution to implement these statutory provisions if the District wishes to adopt the policy. Additionally, Counsel Simmons reported that no action has been taken on Sandia Creek Winery.

O. CLOSED SESSION

The Board met in Closed Session regarding the following:

1. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957

   Emmons reported that this item will be deferred to the next Board of Directors meeting.

2. Pursuant to Government Code Section 3517

   Subsequent action was taken in Open Session (Item P).

P. OPEN SESSION

The Board considered amending Section 19.01 (Medical Insurance) of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the De Luz Employees Association, effective July 1, 2026, transitioning employee medical insurance coverage from the SDRMA Silver Plan to SDRMA EPO Plan. The MOU term will be amended to 5 years.

Motion was made by D'Alessandri, seconded by Carroll to approve the amendment to the MOU with De Luz Employees Association.

AYES: Bowman, Carroll, D'Alessandri, Rawson
NOES:
ABSENT: Roberts
ABSTAIN:

The motion was approved 4-0.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, Vice President Charles Bowman adjourned the meeting at 8:06 p.m.

Charles Bowman, Vice President
De Luz Community Services District

Attest:

James E. Emmons, Secretary
De Luz Community Services District