



Le Grand Community Services District Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Public Meeting:

Le Grand Community Services District Board of Directors Meeting

Date: July 9, 2026, Time: 6:00 pm

Location: 13038 Jefferson Street, Le Grand CA 95333

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1. Call to Order: 6:00 p.m.
2. Roll Call: President Michael Moroni chaired the Board of Directors Meeting. The meeting came to order at 6:00 p.m.
 - President: Michael Moroni
 - Vice President: Leonel Villarreal
 - Director: Victoria Garcia - **Absent**
 - Director: Bob Giampaoli
 - Director: Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon
 - District Manager: Alfredo Torres
 - Public Works Superintendent: James I. Zarate
 - District Counsel: Stuart B. Spencer
 - District Engineer: Garth Pecchenino
 - District Engineer Representative – Roberto Orozco
- 2a. Approval of Agenda:
 - a. President Moroni added approval of the agenda to the posted agenda as item 2a. Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon made a motion, seconded by Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon to approve the agenda as revised. Motion Passed. Ayes Michael Moroni, Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon, Bob Giampaoli and Leonel Villarreal. Nays: None. Absent: Victoria Garcia
3. Public Comments:
 - a. At this time, any member of the audience is given the opportunity to speak on any matter that is not listed on the agenda. Please state your name, be brief and to the point, speak a maximum of three (3) minutes. The Board will NOT TAKE ACTION on the item brought to their attention this evening. If it requires action, it will be referred to the staff or listed on the next regular Board Meeting Agenda. The public can

ask questions or comment at the time specific agenda items are considered.

Edgar Puentes, district customer, addressed the board in regard to his sewer line backing up. Mr. Puentes had contacted the District for assistance in the matter. Mr. Puentes contacted a plumber to clear the sewer line and through that process it was discovered that the main house on Mr. Puentes' property is connected to a sewer line that was abandoned in 1997. The ADU on the property is connected to the new (active) sewer line. This information was provided by the District Engineer. Michael Moroni explained the previous owner had been notified to reroute the sewer line as it is their responsibility. Director Giampaoli suggested reaching out to the previous owner for more information. Mr. Puentes requested documentation on the abandoned sewer line. The District Engineer told Mr. Puentes that he would provide him with documentation of the abandoned sewer line.

Deanne Perez, District employee, addressed the board regarding her salary schedule since she became a full-time employee in December of 2025. Ms. Perez stated that she had addressed the issue with the previously acting District Manager but felt she was not heard. Ms. Perez also stated she was never given a policy handbook when hired. President Moroni stated that the board will work with the new District Manager to resolve the salary issue.

4. Approval of Previous Minutes: (Action Item)

a. June 11, 2026, Board of Directors Meeting:

President Moroni called to revise the heading on the minutes from the June 11, 2026, meeting to state minutes instead of agenda. Director Giampaoli made a motion to approve the minutes of June 11, 2026, Board Meeting with revision. The motion was seconded by Director Lem'mon-Halfmoon. Motion passed. Ayes: Michael Moroni, Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon, Leonel Villarreal, and Bob Giampaoli. Nays: None. Absent: Victoria Garcia.

5. Investment Report:

a. Fourth Quarter Investment and Local Agency Investment Fund Report:

- i. Review and acceptance of report will be during August 13, 2026, Board of Directors Meeting.

6. Approval of Claims:

a. Claims for July 2026 (Action Item)

The District Manager presented claims for the Month of July. After discussion, Director Lem'mon-Halfmoon made a motion to approve the claims for July in the amount of \$88,375 (estimated). The motion was seconded by President Moroni. Motion passed. Ayes: Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon, Michael Moroni, Bob Giampaoli, and Leonel Villarreal. Nays: None. Absent: Victoria Garcia.

b. Transfers: (Action Items)

- i. 8623 (LGCSD TCP Mitigation) – No Transfer
- ii. 8615 (LGCSD Reserve-Water)

President Moroni made a motion to transfer \$9,000 from account 8615 (Reserve Water) to 8610 (General Fund). The motion was seconded by Director Giampaoli. Motion passed. Ayes: Michael Moroni, Bob Giampaoli, Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon, and Leonel Villrreal. Naves: None Absent: Victoria Garcia

iii. 8619 (LGCSO Reserve-Sewer) – No Transfer

iv. Bank of America Account (Checking) – No Transfer

c. Status of June Transfers

President Moroni confirmed with the District Manager that the transfers from June had been completed.

7. Previous Business:

a. Report from Staffing Committee:

i. Update:

a) California Employers Association (CEA) for Human Resources (HR) outsourcing services.

Director Lem'mon-Halfmoon updated the Board that she is waiting on the estimated hours to conduct employee interviews.

b) Third-party investigation services provided by Attorney John Swarbrick.

Director Lem'mon-Halfmoon updated the Board that the results of the investigation are pending as employee interviews are being conducted. District Counsel stated the results of the investigation are to be discussed in closed session once the Board and CEA have reviewed the findings.

b. Board of Directors Election of November 3, 2026, California Governor General Election

The District manager provided the Board with a flyer with key dates and deadlines for the November 3, 2026, General election.

8. New Business:

a. None

9. Office:

a. Reports:

i. Pricing computer for James

The District Manager provided the Board with pricing for a Desktop computer for the Public Works Superintendent. Also, The District Manager provided estimate information to run ethernet cable to the Public Works Superintendent in order to connect to the District server.

ii. Uniform contract signed with Vestis.

The District Manager updated the Board on the timeline for uniform service to begin. Estimated time is 4 weeks.

iii. Accounting software updating.

The District Manager notified the Board of the accounting software that needs an upgrade in order to process online and card payments.

10. Public Works:

a. Water Pumped and Wastewater Readings in June 2026:

Well 1A Cook St. (Gravel Pack):

Standing - 200

Drawdown – 238

Pumped – 3,127,100

Well 4 Filmore Ct. (Gravel Pack):

Standing – 200

Drawdown – 202

Pumped – 5,713,000

Wastewater Readings:

Average flow: 0.100 MGD

Minimum flow: 0.072 MGD

Maximum flow: 0.123 MGD

b. Reports:

i. Wastewater Lift Station

a) Replace of backup pump. (Action Item)

b) Installation of lift station pump rails. (Action Item)

The District Engineer Representative presented to the Board proposals to replace two lift station pumps as well as installing rails to lower the pumps. After discussion, the scope of the project would require it to go out to bid, per the District Engineer.

President Moroni made a motion to create a bid packet to install rails and the purchase of two lift pumps for the McKee lift station. The motion was seconded by Director Villarreal. Motion passed. Ayes: Michael Moroni, Leonel Villarreal, Bob Giampaoli, Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon. Nates. None. Absent: Victoria Garcia

ii. WWTP Auger – Repair/Replacement.

The Public Works Superintendent is working The District Engineer on a plan and timeline for the Auger Repair/Replacement.

iii. Arsenic levels (Readings from well(s))

President Moroni addressed a concern he had with the latest arsenic testing letter sent out to customers. He had asked for clarification as to the test results for each well. The District Engineer suggested reporting the latest results at the August Board Meeting and going forward, results to be presented when testing has occurred.

iv. 3" Water Meters needing replacement

The District Engineer had asked if the entire meter needed to be replaced or just the register. After discussion more information is needed to gather accurate information to order the correct parts. President Moroni emphasized replacement of the 3" meters be a top priority.

- v. Replacement of fire hydrant next to Rancho Market

The Superintendent of Public Works indicated parts for the hydrant in question are not available. Replacing the hydrant would be best. President Moroni suggested replacing older hydrants in order to have a more standardized set of hydrants.

11. Engineering:

- a. Well 4 Generator – Construction:

- i. Update:

The District Engineer Representative stated Construction for the generator at Well 4 has started. The concrete slab where the generator will sit has been poured. Also the trenching and electrical conduit have been installed and backfilled. The anticipated installation date for the generator will be the end of July once the concrete has been fully cured.

- ii. Invoices: (Action Item)

Director Villarreal made a motion to approve Quad Knopf invoice in the amount of \$8,765.68. The motion was seconded by Director Lem'mon-Halfmoon. Motion passed. Ayes: Leonel Villarreal, Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon, Michael Moroni, Bob Giampaoli. Nays: None Absent: Victoria Garcia.

- b. Site 7 - Construction:

- i. Update:

The District Engineer is putting together plans for the rest of the improvements for Well 7. Grant money left to complete Well 7 is \$546,940.21

- ii. Well Site Property Acquisition.

A first draft of an acquisition agreement between Le Grand CSD and Self Help has been circulated for comments by the District Counsel for the Board, District Engineer, and District Manager to review to then present to Self Help. Once approved by Self Help, the agreement will then be presented to the Board for approval at the August meeting. President Moroni, asked for hoe the process to pay for the Well 7 land before November. The District Engineer will reach out to the Le Grand Athlone Water District to inform them about the land acquisition agreement.

- iii. Grants to complete Well 7

A second grant is in process. President Moroni suggested creating a sub-account for the additional grant for tracking purposes and also create a separate agenda item.

- iv. Invoices: (Action Items)

After discussion, President Moroni made a motion to approve invoices for Well Site 7. Quad Knopf invoice #132757 (\$635.50) and Berliner Cohen, LLP Invoice #822630 (\$6,731.50). The motion was seconded by Director Giampaoli. Motion Passed. Ayes: Michael Moroni, Bob Giampaoli, Leonel Villarreal, and Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon. Nays: None. Absent: Victoria Garcia

After some discussion, regarding grant money received from The Le Grand-Athlone Water District and in order for the invoices to be paid in a timely manner, President Moroni made a motion to pay 4 invoices for Well Site 7. Quad Knopf invoices #126118 (\$208.28) and invoice# 131912 (\$1,523.90). Berliner Cohen, LLP invoice #817793 (\$1,576.50), and Anthony Prieto Invoice #4 (\$51,034.00). The motion was

seconded by Director Villarreal. Motion passed. Ayes. Michael Moroni, Leonel Villarreal, Angelique Lem'mon-Halfmoon, Bob Giampaoli. Nays: None. Absent: Victora Garcia.

c. Report:

The District Engineer reported receiving a service connection request for water and sewer at 3645 Santa Fe Avenue. The owner is also waiting to construct an ADU. Currently there is no water main where the property is located at the intersection of Jackson Street and Santa Fe Avenue. The closest water and sewer main is located at the end of the alley intersecting Jackson Steet about 200' away. The District Engineer recommends that the house and the ADU each have a connection.

12. Legal:

a. Report:

District Counsel will be in contact with Director Lem'mon-Halfmoon pending the findings of the HR investigation and what employment issues took place. A special meeting may be called to review the findings.

District Counsel asked board for guidance regarding the matter with Mr. Puentes.

13. Adjournment: 8:56 p.m.

14. Next Meeting: August 13, 2026

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All Board of Directors meetings will be held on the second Thursday of each month at 6:00pm