

Green Valley Domestic Water Improvement District
PUBLIC HEARING
MINUTES
Wednesday, May 21st, 2025

Board Present:	Eric Sullwold Lee Lemas John Green	Edwin (Ed) Storey Joseph (Hart) Krumrine George (Doctor) Orndorff
Board Absent:	None	
Green Valley Water District Staff:	Dara Duffy, District Manager Lora Burrue, Business Operations Supervisor Mike Brady, Field Operations Supervisor Matt Perez, Accounting Specialist	
Clerk of the Board:	Luis Rodriguez	
Public Present:	Norma Zarlow Richard Ricksecker Nancy Smith	Bob Hedden Barbara Cucci Curt Wagner

1. Call to Order and Roll Call – Board Chair, Eric Sullwold
The public hearing was called to order at 9:00 AM. Roll call was taken, and a quorum was announced with six (6) Board members present.
2. Presentation of the proposed Water Conservation Plan Policy for Residential & Commercial customers - Chair, Lee Lemas. The policy was presented, which includes a three (3) stage plan to address drought and potential problems that would affect the District's ability to provide water to its customers.
3. Presentation of the proposed rate increase for Residential, Commercial, and Turf Management customers - Finance Committee Chair, John Green.
 - A. The Chair of the Board explained the District's requirement to maintain a debt covenant ratio of 1.2.
 - B. The Finance Committee Chair provided a detailed explanation of the causes for the proposed rate increase for FY2025- 26. Factors include increases in the cost of living, media treatment chemicals, and maintaining adequate reserves.
4. Presentation of the proposed FY2025- 26 Rates and User Fee Schedule - Finance Committee Chair, John Green. Refer to agenda item 3.
5. Call to the Public – Board Chair Eric Sullwold.
 - A. Norma Zarlow
 1. Requested improved transparency of the details surrounding the proposed rate increase. The finance committee chair mentioned the committee has been working on the FY2025- 26 Budget for over three (3) months, and residents are always welcome to attend all committee meetings.
 2. What additional rate increases can customers expect in the coming years? The finance committee chair replied that the Board of Directors, the finance committee, and the District Manager monitor current expenses and attempt to forecast future expenses, such as water line breaks and inflationary price points.
 3. Although accessible via Zoom, can the Public Hearings be held at a different time of year when the winter residents can attend? The financial committee chair explained that the District's fiscal year begins on July 01; therefore, the need to conduct the Public Hearing in May of each year.
6. Summary. Board Chair – Eric Sullwold. Thanked the attendees for their input. All the attendees were encouraged to volunteer for any of the committees. The attendees were urged to submit questions or concerns at any time throughout the year. Regarding the improved

transparency of proposed fiscal year budgets, additional options for notifying residents will be explored.

7. Adjournment

- Motion to adjourn the meeting.

Move: George Orndorff

2nd: Ed Storey

Approved: 6/0

Abstain: Chair

The meeting was adjourned at 9:22 AM.

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