

REGULAR/PUBLIC MEETING
Of The
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
Of
DESCHUTES VALLEY WATER DISTRICT

February 9, 2026

The regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Deschutes Valley Water District was called to order by Chairman Kathy Marston (KM) at 7:00 P.M. Other commissioners present were Lee Baggett (LB) and Dana Oppenlander (DO). Guests present were Scott Surgeon and Amanda a customer of the district.

KM asked for public comment. Amanda bottles water at 220 7th Avenue in Culver. She would like assurances there will be water in the long term. Joel told her she needs to put her requests in writing and then he will present it to the board.

DO moved to dispense with the reading of the minutes and accept as presented. Seconded by LB. Motion carried.

Joel Gehrett (JG) informed the Board of the upcoming 2026-2028 budget schedule. In March, the board needs to think of 2 budget committee members to replace expiring members. In April they will appoint the new budget committee members and in May the district will hold the budget committee meeting.

JG gave the following update:

- The annual employee evaluations are almost complete.
- 4 employees are going to the OAWU conference in Sunriver.
- JG received a letter from IBEW stating they would like to open the CBA for negotiations.

Executive session pursuant to ORS 192.660(2)(d) to conduct deliberations with persons designated by the governing body to carry on labor negotiations was called to order at 7:18 P.M.

The regular meeting reconvened at 7:29 P.M.

LB moved to accept the financial statements, pay the Hydro and General Fund bills as presented and approve next month's payroll obligations. Seconded by DO. Motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

Secretary, Dana Oppenlander