

Keith Hadick, President (Division 3)  
Randy Sharer, Vice President (Division 7)  
Casey Conrad, Treasurer (Division 6)  
Andrew Adam, Secretary (Division 2)  
Gerald Mahoney, Director (Division 4)  
Vacant, Director (Division 1)  
Vacant, Director (Division 5)



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## SANTA MARIA VALLEY WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT

### SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES – January 24, 2024

District Office  
2255 S. Broadway, Ste. 8E  
Santa Maria, California

**1. CALL TO ORDER:** With a quorum present, the meeting was called to order at 5:02 PM.

**a. ROLL CALL:** Present were Directors Hadick, Conrad, Mahoney, Adam, and Sharer. Also present were District Counsel Keith Lemieux and Interim General Manager Carol Thomas-Keefer (attending remotely).

**b. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** President Hadick led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**2. PUBLIC COMMENT:** None

**3. ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA:** None

**4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** On motion by Director Adam, seconded by Director Sharer, the agenda was approved as published. Motion carried: 5-0-0-2.

**5. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF GATE CONTROLS MAINTENANCE:** Ms. Thomas-Keefer presented estimates for dam gate controls maintenance and upgrades totaling \$14,503.28. Following discussion, on motion by Director Conrad and seconded by Director Sharer, the Board accepted and approved the estimates and added a contingency to the amount, for a total approval of up to \$18,000.00, with a 25 percent deposit (\$2,275.75) to be provided to G Tech to purchase equipment. Motion carried: 5-0-0-2.

**6. APPROVAL OF JOINT FUNDING AGREEMENT WITH USGS FOR WATER RESOURCE INVESTIGATIONS:** President Hadick reported that the joint funding agreement between USGS and the district was presented for renewal for another year. The agreement allows USGS to produce and report a continuous record of discharge at streamflow gaging stations. The District cost share for Water Year 2023-24 is

\$35,800.00, an increase of just under \$1,000 from 2022-23. On motion by Director Mahoney and seconded by Director Adam, the joint funding agreement with USGS was approved. Motion carried: 5-0-0-2.

**7. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: 5:21 PM**

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL; (Government Code 54956.9) Existing litigation: *San Luis Obispo Coastkeeper, et al. v. Santa Maria Valley Water Conservation District, et. Al.***

**8. REPORT OUT OF CLOSED SESSION:** District counsel reported that no reportable action was taken in Closed Session.

**9. NEXT MEETING:** February 15, 2024

**10. ADJOURNMENT** - It was moved and seconded by Directors Sharer and Mahoney to adjourn at 6:53 PM.

Minutes approved on \_\_\_\_\_

Keith Hadick, President

Submitted by Carol Thomas-Keefer