



# Montecito Sanitary District

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## MINUTES

For the Regular Meeting of the Board on:

**May 13, 2026**

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

The Governing Board of the Montecito Sanitary District convened a regular meeting at 2:00 pm on Wednesday, May 13, 2026. The meeting was also broadcast using Zoom teleconferencing.

#### ATTENDANCE

##### Board Members Present:

Directors Barrett, Johnson, Murphy, Ohlmann, and Rockenbach

##### Board Members Absent:

None

##### Also Present and Participating:

John Weigold, MSD General Manager

Stephen Williams, MSD Business and Administrative Manager/Clerk of the Board

Taylor Anderson, District Legal Counsel

### 2. PUBLIC COMMENT

Director Barrett read Director Newquist's resignation email to the public record.

### 3. APPOINTMENT HEARING

The Board interviewed the two applicants to the vacant Board position. ON MOTION by Director Johnson, Seconded by Director Barrett the Board voted to appoint John Murphy to the vacant Board position.

AYES: Directors Barrett, Johnson, Ohlmann, and Rockenbach

NAYES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

**Motion carries.**

### 4. CEREMONIAL SWEARING IN OF NEW DIRECTOR

President Rockenbach performed the ceremonial swearing in of new Board Director John Murphy.

**5. CONSENT CALENDAR**

ON MOTION by Director Barrett, Seconded by Director Rockenbach, the Board voted to approve the following Consent Calendar items:

- A. Meeting Minutes of the April 22, 2026 Regular Meeting
- C. Resolution 2026-990 – Service Charge Hearing Date

AYES: Directors Barrett, Johnson, Murphy, Ohlmann, and Rockenbach  
NAYES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**Motion carries.**

Director Barrett pulled Consent Calendar Item B – Resolution 2026-989 – District Reserve Policy for discussion. ON MOTION by Director Barrett, Seconded by Director Rockenbach, the Board voted to approve the Consent Calendar item.

AYES: Directors Barrett, Johnson, Muphy, Ohlmann, and Rockenbach  
NAYES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**Motion carries.**

**NOTE:** Director Barrett left the meeting at 2:58pm.

**6. BUSINESS ITEMS**

**A. BOARD POLICIES AND PROCEDURES**

ON MOTION by Director Ohlmann, Seconded by Director Murphy, the Board voted to:

- i. Adopt the draft set of policies and procedures on an interim basis, effective immediately, subject to further revision; and
- ii. Request each Board Member to review the draft policies and procedures and provide comments back to the General Manager no later than May 29, 2026; and
- iii. Direct the General Manager to work with Jacob Green and Associates and Legal Counsel to revise the draft policies based on Board Members’ feedback; and
- iv. Return to the Board with a proposed final draft for adoption no later than June 24, 2026.

AYES: Directors, Johnson, Murphy, Ohlmann, and Rockenbach  
NAYES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: Director Barrett

**Motion carries.**

**B. DISCUSSION OF A SEWER RATE STUDY PUBLIC FORUM MEETING**

ON MOTION by Director Rockenbach, Seconded by Director Murphy, the Board voted to direct Director Johnson to go out into the public on behalf of the District to attend the County Board of Supervisors meeting, the Montecito Association meeting, or other Montecito community group meetings as appropriate, with Rate Study talking points drafted in conjunction with staff, and that she be compensated for those efforts pursuant to applicable governmental authority.

AYES: Directors Barrett, Johnson, Ohlmann, and Rockenbach  
NAYES: None  
ABSTAIN: None  
ABSENT: None

**Motion carries.**


**7. BOARD COMMUNICATIONS**

- A. Next Regular Board Meeting Date – May 27, 2026
- B. Items for future Board meeting

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

ON MOTION by Director Ohlmann, Seconded by Director Johnson, the meeting ended at 4:24 pm.

These minutes were presented for approval at the Regular Board Meeting on May 27, 2026.



Rock Rockenbach, President

Minutes taken and prepared by:



Stephen Williams

Business and Administrative Manager/Clerk of the Board