



COMMUNITY HEALTHCARE

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WEST SIDE COMMUNITY HEALTH CARE DISTRICT

MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2026, 7:00 P.M.

COMMUNITY BUILDING, KERN STREET

NEWMAN, CA 95360

CALL TO ORDER

ROLL CALL

Board of Directors: DIRECTOR VARGAS, DIRECTOR CASTEEL, DIRECTOR GUAJARDO, VICE PRESIDENT LOPES, PRESIDENT VARNELL

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Please take a moment to silence your cell phones

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Members of the public may bring before the Board matters that are not listed on the agenda. The Board may refer such matters to the Board Clerk to take it under advisement but shall not take action at that time. Comments will be accepted concerning any action item on the agenda prior to taking action on the item. (Govt. Code, § 54954.3). Individual speakers shall be allowed three (3) minutes to address the Board on each agenda or non-agenda items.

Are there any topics not listed on the agenda that any member of the public would like to comment on?

CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine and may be approved by one action of the Board of Directors, unless any member of the public or any Director wishes to remove an item for separate consideration.

Are there any items on the consent calendar that any Director would like to be considered separately?

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1. Minutes of January 26, 2026, Regular Meeting
2. Cash Disbursement Journal

ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

1. **Discussion and possible action to ratify Michael Courtney's transition from Interim Chief Administrative Officer to Permanent Chief Administrative Officer.**
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. President Varnell opens the floor to receive any comment from the public.
 - c. Motion to ratify Michael Courtney's transition from Interim Chief Administrative Officer to Permanent Chief Administrative Officer.

2. **Discussion and possible action to impose a special tax to increase District revenue for purposes of adequately fulfilling the district's responsibility to provide ambulance services.**
 - a. Report from Legal Counsel
 - b. President Varnell opens the floor to receive any comment from the public.
 - c. Discussion and possible action directing staff to draft a resolution for purposes of placing a ballot measure on the 2026 ballot to impose a special tax.

3. **Discussion and possible action to purchase and/or finance an ambulance for the district.**
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. President Varnell opens the floor to receive any comment from the public.
 - c. Discussion and possible action to purchase a new ambulance.

4. **Discussion and possible action to change authorized signatories on the district bank accounts, Mechanic Banks and Tri Counties Bank.**
 - a. Staff Report
 - b. President Varnell opens the floor to receive any comment from the public.
 - c. Discussion and possible action to adopt resolution 2026-001 to change authorized signatories for the district's bank accounts held at Mechanics Bank.
 - d. Discussion and possible action to adopt resolution 2026-001 to change authorized signatories for the district's bank accounts held at Tri Counties Bank.

FINANCIAL REPORT

1. PowerPoint presentation on Bank Account Balances/Accounts Receivable Reports and Financial Statements.

AMBULANCE REPORT

1. Receive Staff Report on Ambulance Statistical and Administrative Report.

ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICE MANAGER COMMENTS

DISTRICT'S LEGAL COUNSEL COMMENTS

BOARD CORRESPONDENCE/COMMENTS

ADJOURNMENT

Note:

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