

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE
CARPINTERIA SANITARY DISTRICT GOVERNING BOARD
May 19, 2026**

These are the **minutes** of the **regular** meeting of the Governing Board of the Carpinteria Sanitary District in the City of Carpinteria, County of Santa Barbara, and State of California.

The Governing Board of the Carpinteria Sanitary District held a regular meeting on **May 19, 2026**, at 5:30 p.m. at its District administrative office located at 5300 Sixth Street, Carpinteria, California.

The agenda notice for this meeting, including instructions for the public to provide comments, was posted in the front window of the administrative office of the Carpinteria Sanitary District and on the District's website at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting.

I. CALL TO ORDER

President Murphy called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and noted that Director Damron was absent from tonight's meeting.

Directors Present: Debbie Murphy– President
 Lin Graf – President Pro-Tem
 Mike Modugno – Secretary
 Gerald Velasco – Secretary Pro-Tem

Staff Present: Craig Murray – General Manager
 Kim Garcia – District Administrator/Board Clerk

Legal Counsel
Present: Karl Berger – Burke, Williams & Sorenson (by Zoom video-conference)

Public Present: None

II. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

President Murphy led the Pledge of Allegiance.

III. BOARD APPROVAL OF AGENDA

President Murphy asked if there were any modifications and/or changes to the agenda. Hearing none, the agenda was approved as submitted.

IV. BOARD APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF April 28, 2026

Director Velasco made a motion, seconded by Director Modugno that the Board approve the minutes of the April 28, 2026 Special Board meeting as presented. The motion carried by the following vote:

AYES:	4	Velasco, Murphy, Graf, Modugno
NOES:	0	None
ABSENT:	1	Damron
ABSTAIN:	0	None

V. PUBLIC FORUM

None

VI. MATTERS BEFORE THE BOARD

A. GENERAL REPORTS:

1. General Manager's Status Report

General Manager reviewed his written report regarding the following items:

- Belt Press Replacement Project Update
- Battery Energy Storage Project Update
- SWRCB 2026 Wastewater Rate Survey
- Operations Updates

2. Financial Status and Transaction Report

District Administrator reviewed the staff report related to Financial Status and Transaction Reports.

No Board action was taken on this item.

3. Change Order No. 3 – Cash Contract No. 523 – Belt Press Replacement Project

General Manager reviewed his staff report related Change Order No. 3 to Cash Contract No. 523 with James C. Cushman, Inc. If approved, the change order totals \$15,974.61, would increase the contract price to \$1,314,790.47

Director Modugno made a motion, seconded by Director Graf that the Board approve Change Order No. 3 to Cash Contract No. 523 as presented. The motion carried by the following vote

AYES:	4	Velasco, Murphy, Graf, Modugno
NOES:	0	None
ABSENT:	1	Damron
ABSTAIN:	0	None

4. Cash Contract No. 534 – Insituform Technologies, LLC – Collection System Rehabilitation Project

General Manager reviewed his staff report related Cash Contract No. 534 with Insituform Technologies, LLC.

Bids for construction of the Collection System Rehabilitation Project were received on May 13, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. Two bids were received prior to the bidding deadline and each bid was opened publicly at the District administrative office. The apparent low bidder was Insituform Technologies, LLC (Insituform) of Chesterfield, Missouri, with a bid of \$301,952.00. The total bid amount is in line with the project cost estimate and the within approved CIP project budget of \$500,000

If approved, Cash Contract No. 534 would engage Insituform to complete the Collection System Rehabilitation Project with a contract cost of \$301,952.00

Director Velasco made a motion, seconded by Director Modugno that the Board approve Cash Contract No. 534 as presented. The motion carried by the following vote

AYES:	4	Velasco, Murphy, Graf, Modugno
NOES:	0	None
ABSENT:	1	Damron
ABSTAIN:	0	None

Legal Counsel left the meeting.

5. Second Amendment to Employment Agreement for District General Manager

Prior to review of this item, President Murphy recused herself and left the Board room stating a conflict of interest relating a real estate transaction she facilitated for the General Manager.

General Manager reviewed a proposed amendment to the employment agreement for District General Manager. If approved Section 3(c) would be amended to provide an annual salary increase of 13.0% over the current agreement.

After some discussion, Director Velasco made a motion, seconded by Director Modugno that the Board authorize the contract amendment as proposed. The motion carried by the following vote

AYES:	3	Velasco, Graf, Modugno
NOES:	0	None
ABSENT:	1	Damron
ABSTAIN:	1	Murphy

6. Carpinteria Advanced Purification Project

General Manager provided an update related to the Carpinteria Advanced Purification Project.

No Board action was taken on this item.

VII. BOARD ITEMS

A. COMMITTEE REPORTS

Standing Finance Committee

None.

Standing Personnel Committee

None.

Standing Public Relations Committee

None.

Standing Utilities Committee

None.

Standing Recycled Water Committee

None.

B. GENERAL ITEMS

SBCSDA (Santa Barbara California Special Districts Association) Report

None

CSRMA Report

None.

Board Member Vacation Dates

None

Future Agenda Items

None

VIII. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further items to discuss, the meeting adjourned at 6:08 p.m.

Debbie Murphy
President

Lin Graf
President Pro-Tem

Mike Modugno
Secretary

Gerald Velasco
Secretary Pro-Tem

Mike Damron
Treasurer