A meeting of the Walker River Irrigation District (WRID) Board of Directors was held on October 7, 2026. The meeting was called to order at 10:00 AM at the District Board Room, 410 N. Main St, Yerington, Nevada by President SNYDER.

Present:

Jim SNYDER	President
Richard NUTI	Treasurer
David GIORGI	Director
Robert BRYAN	General Manager
Jessica HALTERMAN	Secretary
Gordon DePAOLI	Legal Counsel
Sandy NEVILLE	Water Rights Specialist

Public Present:

Lauren Bartels, NDWR Carly Venghaus, NDWR Joanne Sarkisian, USBWC
Brian Allman

Public Present via Zoom:

Dave Hockaday, LCBOCC

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1. Public Comment

None presented.

2. Roll Call and Determination of Quorum

Vice President MASINI and Director ACCIARI were absent.

3. Consideration of Minutes of the September 8, 2026, Regular Meeting

Director GIORGI made a motion to approve the minutes; Treasurer NUTI offered a second. The vote was called for and passed.

4. Water Master's Report

Joanne SARKISIAN stated the Bridgeport pool is at 12,200 acre-feet (29% capacity) and the Topaz pool is at 18,800 acre-feet (31% capacity). The Tribe is shutting off on October 12th, and Joanne is expecting the decree to possibly set around 1863.

5. Staff Reports:

A. Treasurer's Report

Treasurer NUTI reported as of September 30, 2026:

Cash in Checking	$ 206,001.39
Cash in Money Market	$2,607,142.45
Cash in CDs	$ 852,652.58
Total	$3,665,796.42

B. Consideration of Bills and Payroll for payment

Cash Disbursement Journals
September 2026 Bills & Payroll

Payee	Check No.	Date		Amount
Southwest Gas Corporation	300383	9/8/2026	$	37.50
Spaeth Technologies Inc.	300384	9/8/2026	$	402.50
Ameritas Life Insurance Corp	101972	9/8/2026	$	1,446.37
MODESTO VALLEY WIDE	101973	9/8/2026	$	275.28
Sticks and Stones Buildings	101974	9/8/2026	$	47.94
USBWC	101975	9/8/2026	$	18,320.81
Wells Fargo Card Services	101976	9/8/2026	$	5,290.57
Woodburn & Wedge	101977	9/8/2026	$	37,304.24
PrimePay	300385	9/10/2026	$	250.11
Farm-Assist, Inc.	101978	9/14/2026	$	1,035.15
MF Barcellos	101979	9/14/2026	$	1,108.48
NV Energy	101980	9/14/2026	$	432.62
Power Plan	101981	9/14/2026	$	421.09
Payroll		9/15/2026	$	10,319.28
EFTPS		9/15/2026	$	1,800.17
AT&T	300386	9/15/2026	$	92.52
Primo	300387	9/18/2026	$	131.71
Verizon Wireless	300388	9/21/2026	$	334.28
John Deere Financial Leasing Dept	300389	9/25/2026	$	6,567.83
NV Unemployment Insurance	300390	9/28/2026	$	1,576.75
CALNEVA WATER	101982	9/29/2026	$	3,060.00
City of Yerington	101983	9/29/2026	$	119.67
D & S Waste Removal	101984	9/29/2026	$	225.29
JOE HUGGANS ENTERPRISES	101985	9/29/2026	$	96.72
Lyon County Recorder	101986	9/29/2026	$	29.81
MBK Engineers	101987	9/29/2026	$	5,860.00
O'Reilly Automotive, Inc.	101988	9/29/2026	$	280.88

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Power Plan	101989	9/29/2026	$	2,771.32
The Ferraro Group	101990	9/29/2026	$	7,500.00
Woodburn & Wedge	101991	9/29/2026	$	44,963.98
Xerox Financial Services	101992	9/29/2026	$	448.50
Pitney Bowes	300391	9/29/2026	$	213.42
Pitney Bowes/Purchase Power	300392	9/29/2026	$	300.00
Spectrum	300393	9/29/2026	$	260.79
Hometown Health	300394	9/29/2026	$	6,519.00
Payroll		9/30/2026	$	35,342.28
EFTPS		9/30/2026	$	8,369.52
		Total Bills & Payroll	**$**	**203,556.38**

Director GIORGI made a motion to approve the bills; Treasurer NUTI offered a second. The vote was called for and passed.

C. Manager's Report

GM BRYAN stated there is a breakdown of the USGS gages in the packet. Topaz is currently at 18,830 acre-feet (31% capacity) and Bridgeport is currently at 12,220 acre-feet (29% capacity). There are around 10,404 acre-feet on the West and 6,136 acre-feet on East to deliver. There are a number of accounts that have a zero-storage balance.

The shop crew continues to do regularly scheduled repairs and maintenance throughout the District. They are currently preparing for the large-scale river gate and diversion project on the Saroni.

Recently, there were issues with the WRID database so the September 30th usage statements will not be sent out, but the large seasonal usage reports will be sent at the beginning of November. If there are questions about balances in the meantime, contact the office and the single reports can be pulled.

GM BRYAN is working closely with MBK, ITRC, and California Safety of Dams (CASOD) regarding repairing the Bridgeport gatehouse. ITRC provided a report with 3 options for repair and CASOD requested that the report be modified to state only structural concrete is approved for the repair. CASOD agrees that it is virtually impossible to have the completed this year, so the staff is reaching out to contractors at this time.

On September 15th, GM BRYAN attended a Walker Basin Watershed Planning Meeting that the Conservancy headed. GM BRYAN emailed the reports from that meeting. There is still no clear sight on what the entity would oversee, what information would be housed, and they are trying to figure out who will be part of

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the makeup of the controlling power. Treasurer NUTI asked who was in charge of that group; GM BRYAN stated the Conservancy started it about 2 years ago, but they have since hired the Langdon Group. It is very unclear what the group is representing or what it intends to accomplish, but if anyone has anything more, they are welcome to reach out.

On September 25th, the Douglas County Dam Safety Coordination group held tabletop exercise meeting with FEMA. The exercise was to practice for a flood event based on Emergency Action Plan (EAP) inundation maps. The group was not familiar with the Topaz EAP and there will be a future exercise catered around that EAP and the inundation noted in that plan.

GM BRYAN will be attending the USCID Conference in Reno from October 20-23, 2026.

The Saroni and Colony Annual Canal Advisory Board Meetings have been scheduled for October 28th at the Smith Valley Library. The Saroni meeting is at 8:30am and the Colony meeting is at 10:30am. The agendas will be posted next week.

The National Weather Service will be presenting in-person at the November meeting. They will provide an update on the winter ahead. There have been multiple people and agencies requesting the update and GM BRYAN will be updating the City of Yerington during one of their December meetings.

Director GIORGI stated that Parks' cows were on the wrong side of the fence in Topaz and wanted to know who was liable if there was a problem with that; GM BRYAN stated Parks would be liable.

GM BRYAN stated he has not heard from Douglas County regarding the property at the end of Mark Twain Avenue. Mr. Birta has hired an attorney and he and Douglas County have been communicating.

D. Legal Counsel's Report

Counsel DePAOLI had no report.

E. Storage Water Transfers

Director GIORGI made a motion to approve the September transfers; Treasurer NUTI offered a second. The vote was called for and passed.

6. Update from the Division of Water Resources regarding groundwater pumping and upcoming fieldwork schedules.

Lauren BARTELS stated Smith Valley has pumped 17,000 acre-feet (68% of goal and it was in line with last year at this time). Mason Valley has pumped 60,000 acre-feet (66% of goal and approximately 10,000 acre-feet less than this time last year), and East Walker has

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pumped 1,900 acre-feet. Beginning in November, Lauren and Carly will start to collect the fall water measurements and will provide an update at the December meeting.

7. Update by the Walker Basin Conservancy on activities related to the Walker Basin Restoration Program, including Acquisitions and Conservation and Stewardship Activities.
Carlie HENNEMAN was unable to attend the meeting but did state she had no update.

8. Director Comments
None presented.

9. Public Comment
None presented.

10. Adjournment
The meeting was adjourned at 10:17am.

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Jim Snyder, President	Marcus Masini, Vice President
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Richard Nuti, Treasurer	Dennis Acciari, Director
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David Giorgi, Director	

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