



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ARVIN COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
December 15, 2025

The Board of Directors of the Arvin Community Services District duly met at a Regular Board Meeting held on **Monday, December 15, 2025**, at 6:00 p.m. at 309 Campus Dr., Arvin, CA 93203.

The meeting was called to order by President Reyna at 6:00 PM
Directors Present: Gallardo, Moreno Pantoja, Pantoja, Ojeda, Reyna.
Others Present: General Manager/Board Secretary – Raul Barraza, Jr.; Legal Counsel – Alan J. Peake

Pledge of allegiance: The Pledge was led by President Reyna.

Agenda Item #1: Public Comment

There was no public comment.

Agenda Item #2

a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of December 1, 2025

b. Accounts Payable for December 1, 2025 – December 12, 2025

A motion was made to approve items 2.a. by Director Moreno Pantoja and seconded by Director Pantoja.

AYES: Moreno Pantoja, Pantoja, Ojeda, Reyna. ABSTAIN: Gallardo.

A motion was made to approve items 2.b. by VP Ojeda and seconded by Director Moreno Pantoja.

AYES: Gallardo, Moreno Pantoja, Pantoja, Ojeda, Reyna.

Agenda Item #3: Update of District Projects:

a. Arvin CSD Solar Project:

General Manager informed the board of directors' that the item asking for deferral for offsite improvements to the City of Arvin was approved, but the COA is asking for a bond over the offsite improvements. General Manager has discussed with legal counsel that the District has the funds to go ahead and pay for those improvements. The reason the District wanted a deferral was to look for any possible grants that would pay to have the whole street paved with sidewalks on both sides. However, staff believe that any money used for the bonds should be used for the actual project and a bid will need to go out, so that we can meet the April deadline. Work should not take longer than four weeks to complete.

b. South A Street Road Improvement Project

General Manager informed board members that S and B Sons completed all work last week. The goal was to have all the District's work completed by December 5th to allow the City of Arvin to begin road reconstruction project. Road reconstruction will begin December 15th.

c. Sonshine Consolidation Project

General Manager informed board members that all documents have been submitted, and we are now just waiting for contract from State Water Boards Financial Office.

Agenda Item #4: Board to discuss and take possible action re: Approval of going to bid on Solar Project Offsite Improvements as required by the City of Arvin.

General Manager informed the Board of Directors that the City of Arvin requested a bond for the Solar Project



Offsite Improvements. District Staff recommend for project to go out to bid so that we can complete before the April deadline and not have to pay for a bond. After a small discussion, BP Reyna made a motion to go out to bid for Offsite Improvements of the Solar Project and it was seconded by VP Ojeda.

AYES: Gallardo, Moreno Pantoja, Pantoja, Ojeda, Reyna.

Agenda Item #6: Staff Comments

General Manger: Informed the Directors that both sales of properties have been completed and money has been received. David Couch's has informed District Staff that the District is in line to receive an undisclosed amount of funds, and more information will be given once the details are completed. Fiber Hut Project has an updated contract that will be brought back to a future meeting after legal counsel reviews it. General Manager also informed the board that he will be starting his vacation on December 16 through January 2nd, as well as wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Legal Counsel: Informed the Board that the Fiber Hut Project has an updated version of the contract. There are some questions regarding the sump in the plans and Legal Counsel needs to have a conversation with their staff to get a definite start date so that the lease agreement can begin.

District Engineer: Not present.

Agenda Item #7: Board Member Comments:

- a. **Director Gallardo:** Aske about the employee luncheon. GM informed them staff were very appreciative of the luncheon and Board Director Pantoja attended.
- b. **Director Moreno Pantoja:** No comments
- c. **Director Pantoja:** Stated the lunch was great to meet all the employees and wanted to wish everyone Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.
- d. **Vice President Ojeda:** Wanted to wish everyone Happy Holidays.
- e. **President Reyna:** No comments.

Motion to go into closed session made by Director Gallardo and seconded by Director Moreno Pantoja at 6:21 p.m.

AYES: Gallardo, Moreno Pantoja, Pantoja, Ojeda, Reyna

Agenda Item #8: Closed Session

- a. **Conference with Labor Negotiators: General Manager and Legal Counsel: Laborers International Union of North America 777 Gov't Code 54957.6**

Motion to go back into open session made by VP Ojeda and seconded by Director Pantoja at 6:46 p.m.

AYES: Gallardo, Moreno Pantoja, Pantoja, Ojeda, Reyna.

Closed Session Report: Information was provided and by unanimous consent, direction was given.

Agenda Item #9: Adjournment

A motion was made by Director Pantoja and seconded by Director Moreno Pantoja to adjourn the meeting at the time of 6:47 PM.

AYES: Gallardo, Moreno Pantoja, Pantoja, Ojeda, Reyna.

Submitted by:

Attest:

Raul Barraza, Jr.

Aurelio Reyna

**Raul Barraza, Jr.
Board Secretary/General Manager**

**Aurelio Reyna
Board President**