

MEETING MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING
BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MIDDLE PARK WATER CONSERVANCY DISTRICT

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February 4, 2025, 1:00 P.M.

Directors:

Jack Buchheister – President
Sean Flanigan – Vice President (not present)
Jim Lenzotti – Secretary
Mike Eytel
Gary Bumgarner
Tom Long (not present)

Others Present:

MPWCD Water Resources Consultant & Hydrologist Kristina Wynne
MPWCD Attorney Kent Whitmer
MPWCD Attorney Katie Randall
Colin Mielke, Seter Vander Wall & Mielke, P.C.
Elizabeth Dauer, Seter Vander Wall & Mielke, P.C.

1. CALL TO ORDER

2. DISCUSSION OF POTENTIAL 2025 NOVEMBER ELECTION BALLOT QUESTIONS*

- Colin Mielke introduced himself and Elizabeth Dauer, both are attorneys at Seter Vander Wall & Mielke, P.C. Their firm specializes in representation of special districts, including TABOR issues, director elections and ballot initiatives. MPWCD has hired their firm to evaluate whether to present one or several questions to District voters in November related to the District's mill levy and TABOR limits. There are a range of questions that the District can put before voters, depending on the budgetary and operational needs of the District. Options include De-Brucing, requesting a mill levy increase, requesting debt authorization, and requesting a waiver of revenue increase limits. Colin and Elizabeth presented each option and fielded questions from the Board. In connection with ballot initiatives, many special districts hire a market research firm or consultant to engage in voter outreach, polling and education to inform the District's decision of whether to put a question on the ballot. Election costs and logistics were discussed.
- Following discussion, the Board directed Staff to research market research firms who might be a good fit for the District and provide further information for action at the regular meeting in March.

*Denotes an action item.

3. ADJOURNMENT

- There being no further business before the Board, the meeting was adjourned.



Jack Buchheister, President

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