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### November 24, 2025, KCGHAD minutes

In the absence of Steve Cummons, chairman, Nic Grillo called the scheduled Meeting of the Board of Directors, of the Klondike Canyon Geologic Hazard Abatement District, to order via Zoom after the executive session. It was noted there were no actionable items taken and litigation was discussed. Nic Grillo noted ongoing litigation was discussed and the insurance has agreed to pay partial legal fees, however, KCGHAD has not received any reimbursement funds as of this date.

**Roll Call** – Director’s present - Freeman, Hotchkiss, Grillo, Cummins – absent

\*At this time, Nic Grillo let the community know that Steve Cummins is taking this time to grieve the sudden loss of his daughter and the board asked for a moment of silence to keep Steve Cummins, Barbara and his family in our thoughts and prayers.

#### Consent Calendar

**Approval of Agenda**-November 24, 2025

**Approval of Minutes** – October 27, 2025

November 24, 2025, agenda and minutes of October 27, 2025, were presented. It was moved by Drew Freeman and seconded by Judith Hotchkiss, that agenda and minutes, be approved as presented.

The vote was: Ayes: Freeman, Hotchkiss, Grillo - the motion passed.

#### **Approval of Maintenance & Operations Warrant Register November 24, 2025**

The Maintenance & Operations Warrants for November 24, 2025 were read by the clerk.

## Maintenance & Operations Warrant Register

**Date: November 24, 2025**

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| 1. *Cal Water  | 0 | 0                |
| 2. *SCE – Oct  |   | 2,070.67         |
| 3. Colleen Miller - November                                 |   | 1,400.00         |
| 4. Postage USPS  |   | 23.40 debit      |
| 5. Brad Woodruff – Oct well reading 5 hr. x \$40             |   | 200.00           |
| 6. Ervin Cohen & Jessup, Robert Waxman – legal #380529       |   | 42,570.00        |
| 7. Atkinson, Andelson, Loy, & Romo (Garrett & Tully)# 768813 |   | 2,677.00         |
| 8. *MikeDrews - #2787 Emergency repair of culvert for storm  |   | 3,725.00         |
| 9. Alliant Insurance Services SLIP Policy renewal #3289669   |   | 5, 219.32 debit  |
| 10. *Pacific Land Consultants inv#24109                      |   | 6,326.00 ck#1070 |

\*Denotes City Loan Account

\$64,211.39

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A motion was made by Judith Hotchkiss to approve Maintenance & Operations Warrant Register for November 24, 2025, for \$64,211.39, seconded by Drew Freeman. All approved and the motion passed.

\*Mr. Barth noted that the litigation amounts have been approved and legal must be paid and KCGHAD reimbursed at a later date by the insurance company

\*Nic Grillo made a motion to approve the legal fees contingent on reimbursement

Roll Call – all approved.

**District Clerk matters-** Colleen Miller also shared that this was a somber night for the KCGHAD board sending condolences to the Cummins family.

Nic Grillo made a motion to extend the State of Emergency Resolution 25-6.

Roll Call – all approved

1. **Well update, Flow Meter update** – Steve Hinchliffe – Steve reported the well reading for this week have not been done yet. There is no change to water level. All wells are performing consistently. WW3 will be looked at by the pump specialist and is currently offline. WW5 may be underperforming due to geological issues. The wells are doing fine. We received 4.5” of rain, but the wells won’t see that for a month or two. We are not close to running at capacity, but we are prepared to run at capacity.
2. **Video, website, and social media update** – Mr. Grill reported that the website is up to date.
3. **Financial Report, Assessments** – Michael gave a brief update on financial status.
4. **Klondike Canyon Drains, Channel Maintenance, Well Maintenance** -Steve Cummins was not in attendance. There will be an update at the following KCGHAD meeting.

#### **New Business – none**

#### **Audience Items –**

\*Steve Hinchliffe expressed concerns about drainage down at the bottom of Klondike Canyon. He feels the canyon took on a lot of water in the last rain and asked if plastic sheeting can be placed, and if the ditch can be lined as soon as possible. A: Nic Grillo stated that KCGHAD is working with the city to get a pipe in that area. Dennis added that the water runoff on Yacht Harbor in the last rain was never intended to flow that way. Added that a volume of water is going to the west side of the culvert. Steve Hinchliffe said the water runoff is partly a PBC problem on Yacht Harbor and a pipe is needed. The water needs to continue down to the ocean.

\*Terry – Noted that the drainage is supposed to go in the tarp and it was running over the sandbags. Mr. Grillo said he is aware of the situation and added that unfortunately, not all the water makes it onto the winterization tarps.

\*Shat T – Sha noted that Nic Grillo is the only one on the board representing Sea View and states that nothing is being done on behalf of Ses View. There was some heated disagreement between Mr. Grillo and Sha about

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KCGHAD maintaining the city of RPV streets, and what the jurisdiction of KCGHAD is. Mr. Barth also weighed in about the claim from Sha that city streets are paid for with KCGHAD assessments. Sha T claimed her 1<sup>st</sup> amendment rights were being violated. Mr. Barth advised the board to utilize a 3 min timer, in the same fashion as the RPV City council meeting. Mr. Grillo agreed and said the board will take this under advisement.

\*Mr. Roth asked for clarification with Ara and Ramzi regarding the water above and below PV D S. He feels all of KCGHAD drainage efforts are being made at the Beach Club. Mr. Grillo restated that the work currently being done is for the 48" drainpipe that is going in below PV Dr. S. This is all part of the original plans.

\*Patty Perkins stated that Ramzi has never said Klondike is responsible for the graben.

\*Terry – Q: asked if the water going down canyon is making it to the ocean? Q: Is there a grate in the pipe under PV Dr. S. A: Yes Q: has it been checked A: yes, within the last two weeks

\*Sha – Nic needs to be removed from the board and requested he resign and is useless

\*Karen Miller – There is a large pool of water at the head of the beach club slide A: Mr. Grillo also states his concern and will follow up with Mr. Cummins and the city of RPV

\*Don Schmid – Also states the assessments include the roads, he does not believe he should pay the entire assessment. He added that there are 2 road "boxes" for drainage and one is directing water into the graben and the eastern box is not collecting the water on Dauntless.

\*Donny – did not put in for the change of property to unoccupied/unlivable from occupied/livable. He noted he still works on his house but lives in Sand Pedro. He has no utilities but continues to maintain his home. He thinks it's unfair for KCGHAD to charge him for any assessment. Mr. Grillo asked Donny to show him the sumps he was referring to. They agreed to tour the area together.

Mr Grillo restated the reduction from livable/occupied to unlivable/unoccupied reduction goes to those unable to live in their homes. Mr. Barth concurred that if the home is unlivable/unoccupied that the district can reclassify the property with the county recorder and tax assessor as "land only".

\*David Roth – He states he has never been told what the chances are of getting a refund. He is angry and has never applied. He would like to know how much less the assessment is for land only. The clerk said about 90% less for unlivable/unoccupied land only. Mr. Barth also explained the difference between KCGHAD assessment and property tax assessment. Not the same. KCGHAD has no ability to assess a land only property to zero. The county assesses property tax based on the value of the home. He also reiterated improved/livable and unimproved/unlivable.

\*Terry – Terry was questioning if she pays the assessment, can she receive a refund next year. Nic Grillo explained that the board will have to re-approve the deduction for next year. Those that paid the assessment and their home is unoccupied or unlivable could have received a refund, if they paid the district directly. If the assessment is placed on the landowners property tax, the district has not received those funds. Mr. Barth added he saw no reason for the board to change the application for 2026-27.

\* Sha raised her hand and stated again that the classifications for the assessment make no sense. Mr. Barth stated clearly 1=Dirt land only, and 2 = dirt with improvement.

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Mr. Grillo stated that the discussion is going in a circle and motioned to adjourn. Judith Hotchkiss 2<sup>nd</sup> the motion. Meeting adjourned.

Notice will be given for the next meeting. Historically KGHAD does not meet in December.

Respectfully submitted: Colleen Miller – Executive Director, Clerk