

CALAVERAS PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

May 12, 2015

Regular Meeting

7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Ortegel
John Lavaroni
Mark McCartney
Clifford Overmier

MEMBERS ABSENT: Charlie Moore

STAFF PRESENT: Donna Leatherman, District Manager
Ashley Lancaster, District Secretary
Kate Jesus, Account Clerk

OTHERS PRESENT: Terry Strange, Board Member; Calaveras County Water District

1. ROLL CALL: 7:00pm Director Lavaroni, Ortegel, Overmier, McCartney present. Director Moore absent.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limit 3 minutes per person/15 minutes per subject): None

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

A. Approval of Minutes as Mailed
Regular Meeting of April 14, 2015

B. Approval of Directors Report for April 2015

C. Approval of Monthly Maintenance Report:

President Lavaroni asked the Board if there were any questions or comments. There were none. A motion was made by Director Ortegel, seconded by Director Overmier that the Consent Calendar be approved as mailed. Directors Lavaroni, Overmier, McCartney and Ortegel voted yes, no nays. Motion carried 4-0-1 absent.

4. FINANCIAL BUSINESS:

A. Approval of Claim Summary #679 – The Board reviewed the Claim Summary in the amount of \$94,400.33.

B. 3rd Quarter Budget Report – The Board reviewed the 3rd Quarter Budget report.

C. Investment Report – The Board reviewed Investment Reports from El Dorado Savings Bank, UBS Financial and LAIF.

A motion was made by Director Overmier, seconded by Director Ortegel to approve 4a, b, and c as presented. Directors Lavaroni, Overmier, McCartney and Ortegel voted yes, no nays. Motion carried 4-0-1 absent.

5. 2015/2016 PRELIMINARY BUDGET REPORT: The Board reviewed the preliminary budget figures. The Manager reported that expenses include new position and miscellaneous increases in fees and rates. The Board briefly discussed water revenue and capital outlay projects.

6. DISCUSSION AND ACTION – SCHEDULE PUBLIC HEARING TO RESCIND ORDINANCE 2014-1, Establishing Mandatory Water Conservation Plan: The Manager proposed scheduling a public hearing for June 2, 2015 at 7:00pm to rescind Ordinance 2014-1. The Board concurred.

7. APPROVAL AND DISCUSSION – JEFF DAVIS WATER TREATMENT PLANT EVALUATION REPORT (MEAD AND HUNT): The Board previously reviewed the evaluation report. The Manager reported that some of the recommendations made in the report are considered in the preliminary 2015/16

budget. The Board approved implementing projects from the Jeff Davis Water Treatment Plant Evaluation Report prepared by Mead and Hunt into the 2015/16 fiscal year budget.

8. RESOLUTION 2015-5; AUTHORIZING THE DISTRICT MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN ENGINEERING AGREEMENT WITH WEBER GHIO AND ASSOCIATES INC.: A motion was made by Director Overmier, seconded by Director Ortelgel to approve Resolution 2015-5, Authorizing the District Manager to Execute an Engineering Agreement with Weber Ghio and Associates Inc. as presented. A roll call vote was taken. Directors Lavaroni, Overmier, McCartney and Ortelgel voted yes, no nays. Motion carried 4-0-1 absent.

9. REPORT: SOUTH MAIN STREET, MOKELUMNE HILL – LINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT: The preconstruction meeting was held at the District office. The contractor is to begin work on May 18. The Board further discussed the location of hydrants and the accessibility with warmer weather approaching.

10. WATER CONSERVATION MEASURES/DROUGHT INFORMATION:

A. Drought Update – The Manager reported on measures the District is taking on an individual basis for conservation concerns that are reported.

B. Calaveras Conserves, Water Purveyors Meeting (5/7/15) – Calaveras Conserves website is fully functional. Water purveyors will man a booth at the fair to circulate information and answer questions regarding drought measures. The Manager also reported that Calaveras Conserves signs will be distributed throughout the Districts service area and supplies have been ordered to aid in the efforts of promoting conservation.

C. Update: Compliance Order #03_10_14R dates 10/17/14 – There was discussion on the request to the State granting permission for District to install new connections. Manager reported she is waiting for a response. Directors recommended having District council compose a letter to local Assemblyman reiterating previous request.

11. MokeWISE (MCG) MEETING REPORT (5/8/15): The Manger reported the last Public Meeting is scheduled for June 2. The group is expected to have agencies pass a resolution to accept project concepts by September 2015.

12. MOKELUMNE WILD AND SCENIC:

A. Discussion and Action: UMRWA: Member Agency Support for AB142, Study Cost Commitment - UMRWA unanimously voted in favor of committing \$100,000 toward funding the State study to evaluate the suitability of designating the Mokelumne River, Wild and Scenic. A request from UMRWA proposed additional \$4,400 expenditure for CPUD's cost share in the Study. After a lengthy discussion the Manager recommended to not fund the study. A motion was made by Director Overmier, seconded by Director Ortelgel to not fund the Study at this time. Directors Lavaroni, Overmier, McCartney and Ortelgel voted yes, no nays. Motion carried 4-0-1 absent.

B. Discussion/Action – Support as Amended; AB142 – A motion was made by Director Overmier, seconded by Director Ortelgel to Support as Amended; AB142. Directors Lavaroni, Overmier, McCartney and Ortelgel voted yes, no nays. Motion carried 4-0-1 absent.

13. MANAGERS COMMENTS:

A. Update: CPPA Grant Agreement – Energy Efficiency Upgrades to Jeff Davis Treatment Plant – The Manager reported District was approved for grant money through Calaveras Public Power Agency to upgrade the HVAC and lighting at the treatment plant.

B. Update: Water Treatment Superintendent – Interviews were conducted. The Manager will update Board as progress is made.

C. FERC Inspection (5/7/15) – On a routine maintenance trip to Schaads, staff discovered the Penstock is leaking. Appropriate agencies were notified and investigation to locate the leak is scheduled.

14. DIRECTORS COMMENTS:

A. LAFCO – 4/20/15 (Lavaroni) – No meeting

B. UMRWA – 4/24/15 (Moore) – Director Moore was absent

C. CAMRA Meeting Reminder (5/20/15) - Director Ortegel reported on proposed reinstatement of annual dues. Districts portion would be 4.4% with an expenditure of approximately \$6300.00. Director Ortegel and the Manager will attend the May 20 meeting.

17. CLOSED SESSION:

A. Conference with Real Property Negotiators

Government Code §54956.8

Water Transfer/CPUD Negotiators: Donna Leatherman, District Manager and Chris Williams, CPUD Counsel

Under Negotiation: Term Sheet

The Manager called for a Closed Session. At 8:40pm the Board convened to a closed session. The Board reconvened at 9:10pm. President Lavaroni reported; no action taken.

18. ADJOURNMENT (Next meeting 6/9/15): As there was no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 9:12pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Ashley Lancaster, District Secretary

