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Board of Directors: Beverly Fickes - Chair,
Terry Lincoln, Vice Chair
Directors – Pam Beaver, Scott McVay, Logan Johnston

General Manager: Paul Kelley

REGULAR MEETING: December 13th 2023 at 6:00PM: District Office Board Room

Minutes

1. CALL TO ORDER – Chair Fickes at 6:01pm

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by Director McVay

3. ROLL CALL

Directors – Vice Chair Lincoln, McVay, Beaver, Johnston, Chair Fickes

Staff present – GM Paul Kelley. CPO – Bill Palmaymesa

Members of Public: Jackie Longcrier, Jerry Hill, Audra Harl, Dennis Posehn (6:20pm)

Others not identified.

4. OPEN TIME/PUBLIC COMMENT

Jackie Longcrier – Came to podium to introduce potential ag committee member

Dr. Audra Harl – Spoke, Ag Instructor at Shasta College and will fill out an application for Ag Committee if the District needs someone

Jerry Hill – Rancher/Customer on saddle trail. Spoke during 6c and comments included here as it wasn't all part of a particular item – asked about cost of ag water, how calculated, why high cost, cows need 35gal/day, the allocation was hard on ranchers.

5. CONSENT AGENDA (Action)

The following items are expected to be routine. Any interested party may comment or request an item be removed from the consent agenda for separate discussion/action.

a. Minutes from Meetings – Regular meeting 11/15/23

b. Paid Bills: 11/10/23 – 12/7/23

i. GM Kelley mentioned some items and some discussion on the Ability Answering service. Director Beaver suggested we have something in the Newsletter about calls non-biz hours, list our hours/holidays, the cost of non-biz hours turn ons/off.

ii. GM Kelley also mentioned other bills and the consolidated ones for PACE that were different grants, the paving expense for leaks -

iii. Directors asked about some of the bills and answered in packets.

c. Payroll: 11-9-23, 11-22-23

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- d. Activity Report: November 2023
 - i. GM Kelley mentioned the “misc” income that the higher than normal was from insurance payments – one settling a leak of 3 years ago, and the other related to vehicle damage repair reimbursement from JPIA.
 - ii. Also mentioned that the revenue on base rate is getting closer to 95% goal, somewhat impacted by the delinquency notices/shut off etc.

Motion to approve consent: McVay, 2nd: Lincoln. Motion carried Unanimously (5-0)

6. OLD BUSINESS/NEW BUSINESS (Discussion/Action)

- a. **O.B. - USBR Account Reconciliation (Discussion)**

GM Kelley updated the board on this item – not much change in the original reconciliation, but that the Bureau will look to make changes in the next reconciliation. The District made its last payment to the Bureau for the WIIN act and waiting for acknowledgment letter. The credit for water account (paid vs delivered) that carried to other accounts has triggered the Bureau to update their “payment” recap spreadsheet.
- b. **Bid Award: Grant Funded Backwash Ponds Repair Project (Discussion/Action)**

GM Kelley reviewed the attached memo, acknowledge CPO Bill Palmaymesa in audience for questions, and recommended the Board award the bid to Allen Gill Construction.

Discussion ???

Motion to Accept and Award the Bid for the Backwash Ponds Repair Project in the Amount of \$4,778,650.00 to Allen Gill Construction with submitted sub-contractors – Dir Lincoln, 2nd: McVay – Carried Unanimously (5-0)

- c. **Drought and Supplemental water program (Discussion/Action)**

Gm Kelley reviewed the updates to the program and the ordinance in the packet. Chair Fickes asked some questions and there were edits provided for clarity related to deposits and specific water year.

Discussion?

Motion to Approve Ordinance 2023-15 – Drought and Supplemental Water Program: McVay, 2nd: Beaver – carried Unanimously (5-0)

7. GENERAL MANAGERS REPORT

GM Kelley gave a report as in packet and added some background information.
Dennis Pohsan – suggested Firewise using grant writer John Livingston – and will forward contact to District.

8. OPERATIONS REPORT

GM Kelley gave a background on the Operations Report memo in packet

9. STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT –

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GM Kelley reported only one application for Ag committee, more coming in tonight. None for the other committees and recommended extending the time to apply on the website to January 10th.

- a. Agriculture –
- b. Finance –
- c. Planning/Steering –

10. BOARD MEMBER ITEMS

Chair Fickes brought up Firewise rep Dennis Poesahn to ask for letters of support for the two Firewise Grant applications. The Board acknowledge and said that they were fine with GM signing the letters when Dennis gets them to the District.

Chair Fickes also updated the Board on LAFCO meeting and that special district rep Fred Ryness was elected Director McVay asked CPO Palmaymesa questions about treatment plant operations, challenges, and needs.

CPO Palmaymesa responded that they are creating lists and costs for the GM's consideration.

11. CLOSED SESSION ANNOUNCEMENT: Board Adjourned to Closed session: 7:48pm

The Board will adjourn to a closed session to discuss the following items

- A. Conference with Labor Negotiators. Government Code s. 54957.6
February 8th MOU Between District and UPEC 792 Article 25.4d
 - Designated Representatives: GM - Paul Kelley
 - Employee Organization: UPEC 792

Board returned from Closed session at 9:14pm and reported it gave direction to it's negotiator and any action items will be on a future regular meeting.

12. ADJOURN THE MEETING – 9:15pm

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