TUOLUMNE UTILITIES DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 23, 2022

A regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Tuolumne Utilities District convened at 9:00 a.m. at the District Office, 18885 Nugget Blvd., Sonora, California.

This meeting was held in accordance with Assembly Bill 361; and the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act. AB 361 allows the Board of Directors to participate by teleconference.

A verbal roll call was conducted by Melissa McMullen, Board Clerk.

The following Directors and staff were present:

Director Balen, President
Director Kerns, Vice President
Director Boatright
Director Ringen

Don Perkins, General Manager
Erik Johnson, District Engineer
Steve Sheffield, Finance Director
Abby Parcon, Administrative Services Director
Eric Hall, Operations Director
Melissa McMullen, Executive Secretary/Board Clerk
Emily Long, Administrative and External Affairs Specialist
Jesse Barton, District Counsel

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

I. Public Forum

Sally Rhodes addressed the Board regarding the Phoenix Lake Restoration and Preservation Project.

II. Consent Calendar

1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 9, 2022

2. Consider Adopting a Subsequent Resolution No. 19-22 Making Findings in Support of Allowing Remote Meetings Pursuant to AB 361

   Director Boatright moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Ringen seconded the motion and it was approved. (4-0).
   Ayes: President Balen, Vice President Kerns, Director Boatright, Director Ringen
   Absent: Director Murphy

III. Regular Business

3. TuCARE Presentation to the Board of Directors Regarding the Community Wildfire Protection Fund

   Randy Hanvelt (TuCARE Board President) and/or Jeff Sargo (TuCARE Executive Board Member), accompanied by Melinda Fleming, (TuCARE Executive Director) provided a presentation on the Community Wildfire Protection Fund.

   No public comment was heard.

   The Board thanked Mr. Hanvelt, Mr. Sargo and Ms. Fleming for their informative presentation.

4. Consider signing letter encouraging Governor Newsom to sign Senate Bill 991 (Newman) into law

Erik Johnson presented a summary of the request to sign a letter encouraging Governor Newsom to sign Senate Bill 991 (Newman) into law and responded to questions.

No public comment was heard.

Director Kerns, Vice President moved to authorize the Board President to sign the attached letter encouraging Governor Newsom to sign into law SB 991 which will allow local water agencies, such as TUD, to utilize progressive design-build (PDB) contracting methods to deliver capital projects Director Ringen seconded the motion and it was approved 4-0.
Yes: Director Balen, President, Director Kerns, Vice President, Director Boatright and Director Ringen
Absent: Director Murphy

5. Sonora Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant Progress Report

Erik Johnson provided a Progress Report on the Sonora Regional Wastewater Treatment Plant and responded to questions.

No public comment was heard.

6. 2022 Strategic Plan Progress Report

Don Perkins, Eric Hall, Erik Johnson, Abby Parcon, and Steve Sheffield presented an update on the progress of each of the strategic goals, objectives and responded to questions.

No public comment was heard.

IV. Staff Reports

Don Perkins reported the following items:
-August 10, 2022: Attended the Twain Harte Community Services District's Board meeting to present proposed improvements to the Twain Harte Wastewater Treatment Plant
-August 12, 2022- Water Supply Contract meeting with the Bureau of Reclamation
-August 15, 2022- Met with Jamestown Sanitary District to discuss tertiary treatment
-August 16, 2022- Attended Sierra Professionals Association meeting with Jennifer Batt who presented an update on the Sonora Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility
-August 19, 2022: Attended the Drought Task Force meeting

Abby Parcon reported on the following items:
-August 16, 2022: Met with staff from Calaveras County Water District (CCWD) to discuss a Mutual Assistance Agreement

Erik Johnson reported on the following items:
-Provided an update on the Phoenix Lake Road paving project

Eric Hall reported on the following items:
-Toured the Tuolumne Water Treatment Plant with staff from the Chicken Ranch Tribe

V. Directors Communication and Reports

Director Ringen reported on the following items:
-August 17, 2022: Attended the Tuolumne-Stanislaus IRWM Water Advisory and JPA meetings

Director Balen reported on the following items:
-August 23, 2022: Will be attending a Columbia Town Hall meeting regarding fire protection at Columbia Elementary School

Direct Kerns reported on the following items:
-August 19, 2022: Attended the Tuolumne County Drought Task Force meeting

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Date: September 13, 2022

ATTEST:

Barbara Balen, President
Board of Directors

Melissa McMullen,
Executive Secretary/Board Clerk