TUOLUMNE UTILITIES DISTRICT
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
JULY 13, 2021

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 Executive Order N-29-20, issued by California Governor Gavin Newsom on March 17, 2020, the Ralph M. Brown Act (California Government Code Section 54950, et seq.), and the Federal Americans with Disabilities Act. No physical public meeting location was provided for this meeting. Instead, the Board held this meeting telephonically using Zoom. Members of the public were able to speak and provide oral comments during the meeting.

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

Melissa McMullen, Board Clerk, conducted all voting by verbal roll call.

The following Directors and staff were present:

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

Don Perkins, Interim General Manager
Erik Johnson, District Engineer
Steve Sheffield, Finance Director
Abby Parcon, Administrative Services Director
Melissa McMullen, Executive Secretary/Board Clerk
Lisa Westbrook, Community Affairs Specialist
Glen Nunnelley, Senior Engineer
Trevor Cowden, Water Superintendent
Eric Hall, Water Master

Call to Order
Pledge of Allegiance

I. Public Forum

No public comment was heard.

II. Consent Calendar

1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of June 22, 2021 and Special Board Meeting of June 23, 2021

2. Approval of Reimbursement Claims for Directors Statement of Meetings Attended and/or Travel Expenses and Claim Summary for June 2021

   Director Ringen pulled Item #2 of the Consent Calendar for further discussion.

   Director Ringen moved to approve Item #1 of the Consent Calendar. Director Kerns seconded the motion and it was approved (4-0)
   Ayes: Balen, Boatright, Kerns Ringen
   Absent: Murphy

   Director Ringen moved to approve Item #2 of the Consent Calendar. Director Boatright seconded the motion and it was approved (4-0)
   Ayes: Balen, Boatright, Kerns Ringen
   Absent: Murphy

III. Regular Business

3. Water Supply Update, Discussion and Consideration of Releasing Public Awareness Campaign Related to Water Efficiency/Conservation

Don Perkins and Glen Nunnelley provided a water supply update and responded to questions.

Director Boatright suggested that a water supply update be presented to the Board of Directors on a regular basis.

Public comment was heard.

Don Perkins, staff and Board held discussion regarding public awareness information related to water efficiency and conservation.

No public comment was heard.

IV. Staff Reports

Don Perkins reported on the following items:
-Sonora Regional Wastewater Treatment Facility
-TUD assisted Twain Harte Community Services District (THCSD) with a difficult issue regarding THCSD collection system

Erik Johnson reported on the following items:
-Staff is currently working on the following potential Grant and/or Funding Packages:
-USBR Watersmart Grant – Received and preparing to file first claim
-In communication with Feinstein's Office on two (2) projects to be funded under FY22 Non-Defense Congressionally Directed Spending package
-In contact with Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund for funding to complete the Cuesta Heights Improvement Project
-Received notice from the Safe Drinking Water State Revolving Fund that a Funding Agreement is in the process to extend a water main down Standard Road to serve Curtis Creek Elementary School
-Staff is continuing to work with USDA and State Water Board on finalizing an application for the Sierra Pines Regional WTP project

Abby Parcon reported on the following items:
- Letters/emails received by the District from public expressing appreciation for staff

V. Directors Communication and Reports

Director Kerns reported on the following items:
-June 24, 2021: Attended the Water Committee meeting as an observer
-Attended the Willows Springs Homeowners Association meeting with Don Perkins

Director Ringen reported on the following items:
-June 23, 2021: Attended the City of Sonora EAP meeting
-June 24, 2021: Attended the Water Committee meeting

Director Balen reported on the following items:
-June 24, 2021: Attended the Water Committee meeting
-June 25, 2021: Attended the Mountain Counties Water Resources Association (MCWRA) meeting in El Dorado

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:19 a.m.

Date: July 27, 2021

ATTEST:

Barbara Balen, President
Board of Directors

Melissa McMullen,
Executive Secretary/Board Clerk