TUOLUMNE UTILITIES DISTRICT
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
MAY 9, 2022

A special 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. Members of the public were able to provide oral comments in-person or telephonically using Zoom during the meeting.

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 Murphy
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
Jesse Barton, District Counsel

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 April 26, 2022
2. Approval of Reimbursement Claims for Directors Statement of Meetings Attended and/or Travel Expenses and Claim Summary for April 2022
3. Consider Adopting a Subsequent Resolution No. 8-22 Making Findings in Support of Allowing Remote Meetings Pursuant to AB 361
4. Reject Claim for Damages – Claim No. 22-08; Kimberly Norton; Claimant

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

Director Murphy pulled Item #1 for further discussion.

Director Kerns moved to approve the Consent Calendar with the suggested revisions to the April 26, 2022 minutes. Director Boatright seconded the motion and it was approved unanimously.

III. Regular Business

5. Board to Consider and Possibly Approve the Transition from At-Large to Division-Based Elections by Adopting a New Division-Based Map and Sequence of Future Elections

Jesse Barton stated that the fourth public hearing was held on April 26, 2022. The purpose of the fourth public hearing was to review and discuss the five proposed maps for the “division-based” election boundaries and to receive additional public input. After the conclusion of the fourth hearing the Board directed that the District’s general counsel prepare the necessary summary and ordinance that will formally adopt Map 4 as the District’s new division-based electoral map, that divisions 1 and 4 will be up for election in 2022 and divisions 2, 3, and 5 will be up for election in 2024.

No public comment was heard.

Director Balen, President moved to approve Ordinance No. 9-22 which establishes five (5) electoral divisions within TUD's boundaries that are consistent with Map 4 and which sets the sequence of future District elections. Director Kerns, Vice President seconded the motion and it was approved 4-1.
Yes: Director Balen, President, Director Kerns, Vice President, Director Boatright and Director Ringen
No: Director Murphy

6. Presentation on the Acquisition and Transfer of Pacific Gas and Electric-Owned Water Rights, FERC Hydro Project and Related Facilities to the Tuolumne Utilities District and Proposed Water Rate Plan
Don Perkins and Nancy Phan of Raftelis Financial Consultants, Inc. presented an overview of the PG&E-owned water rights, FERC Hydro project and related facilities acquisition and transfer opportunity and a proposed water rate plan. Mr. Perkins and Ms. Phan responded to questions.

Director Murphy requested that a slide be included in the presentation regarding the proposed water rate plan clarifying that all water customer rates, both treated and raw, will increase proportionately.

Public comment was heard.

IV. Staff Reports

No Staff Reports were heard.

V. Directors Communication and Reports

Director Murphy reported on the following items:
-Continued communication with Local Fire Wise Council

Director Ringen reported on the following items:
-April 28, 2022: Attended the Tuolumne County Water Advisory Committee
-May 4, 2022: Attended the Tuolumne County Natural Resources meeting

Director Balen reported on the following items:
- May 3-5, 2022: Attended the 2022 Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) Spring Conference in Sacramento, CA

Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:25 a.m.

Date: May 24, 2022

ATTEST:

Barbara Balen, President
Board of Directors

Melissa McMullen,
Executive Secretary/Board Clerk