

**UNION PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT  
339 MAIN STREET  
MURPHYS, CA 95247**

**MINUTES OF MAY 23, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING**

The Board of Directors of the Union Public Utility District met in Regular Session at the UPUD Office in Murphys, California, at approximately 5:30 PM.

Directors Present:	ERIC BOTTOMLEY	President
	GREG RASMUSSEN	Vice President
	TOM QUINCY	Secretary
	BRUCE TALLAKSON	Treasurer
	RALPH CHICK	Director

Directors Absent: None

Also Present:	BILL ELTRINGHAM	District Manager
	ELAINE URRUTY	Office Manager
	MARK HILDEBRAND	District 218 Consultant
	MATT OSPITAL	District Engineer
	BARBARA BRENNER	
	JOEL METZGER	UWPA GM
	PUBLIC AT LARGE	

1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The Pledge was given.
2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA.

Motion:	Director Ralph Chick
Second:	Director Tom Quincy
Ayes:	Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson and Chick
Nays:	None
Absent:	None
Abstain:	None

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT. There was no Public Comment.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES:**

- 4.a January 19, 2022 - Regular Meeting – Deferred to next meeting.

## REGULAR AGENDA

### OLD BUSINESS:

- 5.a PRELIMINARY 218 WATER RATE STUDY PRESENTATION – HILDEBRAND CONSULTING, MARK HILDEBRAND; DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION Summer Nicotero introduced Barbara Brennar, UPUD's new Legal Counsel, to the Board. Mark Hildebrand gave a presentation on the Preliminary UPUD 2022 218 Water Rate Study. A lengthy question & answer session ensued regarding the proposed rates & annual expense calculations. Also discussed were the pros and cons of keeping the UWPA fee as a separate fee or incorporating it into the UPUD fee and no longer having ADU additional minimums on accounts. It was the Board's consensus to move forward with looking further into the UWPA fee pros & cons and that the Board agrees to have Hildebrand Consulting move forward on the proposed rate structure.

### NEW BUSINESS:

- 6.a REQUEST FOR TRANSFER OF IRRIGATION SERVICE FROM #5057-000 – HICKS, JOHN & MARILYN, 590 W. HWY 4, MURPHYS TO JAMES DODGE, EFFECTIVE WITH CLOSE OF ESCROW; DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

Motion: Director Ralph Chick  
Second: Director Bruce Tallakson  
Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson and Chick  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

MINUTE ENTRY. TO APPROVE TRANSFER OF IRRIGATION SERVICE FROM #5057-000 HICKS, JOHN & MARILYN, 590 W. HWY 4, MURPHYS, TO JAMES DODGE, EFFECTIVE WITH CLOSE OF ESCROW.

- 6.b REINSTATEMENT OF PREVIOUS SHUT OFF AND LATE FEE POLICY FOLLOWING THE RESCISSION OF EXECUTIVE ORDER N-42-20; DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION Summer Nicotero reviewed the request to reinstate late fees and shut offs as of June 2021.

Motion: Director Tom Quincy  
Second: Director Ralph Chick  
Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson and Chick  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

MINUTE ENTRY. TO APPROVE REINSTATEMENT OF LATE FEES AND SHUT OFFS AS OF JUNE 2021.

6.c APPROVAL OF COVID-19 STATE OF EMERGENCY AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS (MAY 21, 2022 – JUNE 20, 2022); DISCUSSION/POSSIBLE ACTION

Motion: Director Ralph Chick  
Second: Director Bruce Tallakson  
Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson and Chick  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstain: None

RES. #2022-08. TO APPROVE PROCLAMATION OF A STATE OF EMERGENCY AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS OF THE LEGISLATIVE BODIES OF UNION PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD FOR THE PERIOD OF MAY 21, 2022 TO JUNE 20, 2022.

- 5. DIRECTORS COMMENTS. The Board thanked Mark Hildebrand for his very informative presentation and welcomed Barbara Brenner, New Legal Counsel.
- 6. NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, June 15, 2022, at 7:00 PM.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned with no further business at 5:32 PM.

Submitted by: Thomas E. Quincy  
Thomas E. Quincy, Secretary

Date: 6-15-22

ATTEST:

Elaine M. Urruty  
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Clerk to the UPUD Board of Directors