

MINUTES

UNION PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

June 26, 2024

Directors Present: Eric Bottomley, President
Greg Rasmussen, Vice-President
Tom Quincy, Secretary
Bruce Tallakson, Treasurer
Ralph Chick, Director

Directors Absent: None

Staff Present: Jessica Self, General Manager
Jenna Mayo, Administrative Analyst/Board Clerk

Others Present: Frank Splendorio, Best, Best & Krieger LLP
Matt Ospital, Weber Ghio
Joel Metzger, UWPA General Manager
Public at Large

ORDER OF BUSINESS

CALL TO ORDER & THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

1. ROLL CALL

President Bottomley called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Director Chick
Second: Director Quincy

Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson, and Chick
Nays: None
Absent: None
Abstained: None

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT:

No Public Comment.

4. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approval of Minutes: May 22, 2024 – Regular Meeting
- b. Expenditures - May 2024
- c. Fund Balance Report – May 2024
- d. Balance Sheet & Income Statement – May 2024
- e. YTD Budget to Actuals – May 2024
- f. Legal Fees Year-to-Date Review

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

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED WITH THE POSTPONEMENT OF ITEM 4 B, AND ITEM 4 F TO BE PULLED FOR DISCUSSION AND REVIEW.

Director Tallakson pointed out that three legal issues have brought the legal fees to \$131,335.82 since January, 2023. These include \$81,226.80 for Hatfield versus UPUD, \$20,451.68 for Glanville versus UPUD, and \$29,657.34 for the Water Rate Initiative.

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

Abstained: None

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM 4 F AS PRESENTED.

5. **OLD BUSINESS: NONE**

6. **NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion/Action Regarding Updated FY25 – FY35 CIP
(Matt Ospital, Weber Ghio)

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

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM 4 A AS PRESENTED.

- b. Discussion/Action Regarding Adoption of Legal Services Agreement for
UPUD General Counsel: Frank A. Splendorio: Best, Best & Krieger LLP
(Jessica Self, General Manager)

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

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM 4 B AS PRESENTED.

- c. Discussion/Action Regarding Citizen's Initiative Removal **RES 2024-012**
(Jessica Self, General Manager)

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

RESO NO. 2024-012. TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2024-012 –
WITHDRAWING AN INITIATIVE MEASURE REDUCING THE RATES FOR
WATER SERVICE, FROM THE DISTRICT'S GENERAL ELECTION TO BE

HELD ON TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2024, AS PRESENTED.

- d. Discussion/Action Regarding Transitioning Banking Services - Removal of US Bank & El Dorado Savings, Addition of Bank of Stockton
(Jenna Mayo, Board Clerk) **RES 2024-013**

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

RESO NO. 2024-013. TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2024-013 – ADDITION OF BANK OF STOCKTON AND REMOVAL OF EL DORADO SAVINGS BANK AND US BANK, AS PRESENTED.

- e. Discussion/Action Regarding District Policy Updates **RES 2024-014**
(Jenna Mayo, Board Clerk)

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

RESO NO. 2024-014. TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2024-014 – UPDATING DISTRICT EMPLOYEE POLICIES, AS PRESENTED.

- f. Discussion/Action Regarding Adopting JPIA Employee Medical Benefits Program
(Jenna Mayo, Board Clerk) **RES 2024-015**

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

RESO NO. 2024-015. TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2024-015 – CONSENTING TO ENTER THE JOINT PROTECTION PROGRAM OF THE ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA WATER AGENCIES JOINT POWERS

INSURANCE AUTHORITY, AS PRESENTED.

- g. Discussion/Action Adopting an updated Organization Chart with Associated Staffing Changes
(Jessica Self, General Manager)

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

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM 4 G AS PRESENTED.

- h. Discussion/Action Regarding FY25 Budget Adoption **RES 2024-016**
(Jessica Self, General Manager)

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

RESO NO. 2024-016. TO ADOPT RESOLUTION NO. 2024-016 – UPUD'S FISCAL YEAR 2025 ANNUAL BUDGET, AS PRESENTED

7. **UPDATES**

- a. Discussion/Potential Direction Regarding UWPA

Director Quincy reported that the key outcome of the UWPA meeting centered around the 5-year JPA funding agreement. It was decided to circulate the draft agreement to JPA members for a vote during the UWPA board meeting scheduled for July 23. Despite his suggestion to postpone the vote until after our UPUD board meeting, it was ultimately not agreed upon. He believes that we should vote prior to the UWPA meeting. Therefore, he proposes that once our attorney reviews the agreement, we convene for a special board meeting to vote. This approach will provide Rocky and him with clear guidance on how to proceed at the UWPA meeting on July 23rd.

District General Counsel, Frank Splendorio, recommended that the District should take time to thoroughly review and update the draft agreement as needed. Additionally, he suggested that it may be in the District's best interest

to wait until both Union PUD and the City of Angels Camp complete their five-year rate studies before securing the agreement. This approach would ensure that scheduled funds are available to afford the Utica structure.

UWPA General Manager, Joel Metzger emphasized that he supports Union PUD to take their time on the process.

8. REPORTS

a. General Manager

The General Manager's report was presented to the Board by General Manager, Jessica Self.

9. DIRECTORS REPORTS, INFORMATION, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

10. CLOSED SESSION: The meeting was adjourned into Closed Session at 6:55 PM

11. RETURN TO OPEN SESSION: The meeting returned to open session at 8:10 PM

12. REPORTABLE ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION: There was no reportable action.

13. NEXT BOARD MEETINGS & EVENTS

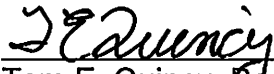
1. Wednesday, July 24, 2024 at 5:30 PM - Regular Meeting
2. Wednesday, August 28, 2024 at 5:30 PM – Regular Meeting
3. Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 5:30 PM – Regular Meeting

14. ADJOURNMENT

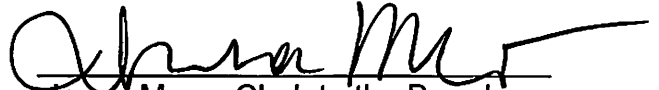
The meeting adjourned at 8:10 PM

Respectfully Submitted:

ATTEST:



Tom E. Quincy, Board Secretary



Jenna Mayo, Clerk to the Board