

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

MINUTES OF DECEMBER 7, 2022 SPECIAL MEETING

The Board of Directors of the Union Public Utility District met in Special Session at the UPUD Office in Murphys, California, at approximately 4:30 PM.

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

Directors Absent: None

Also Present:	SUMMER NICOTERO	General Manager
	BILL ELTRINGHAM	Operations Manager
	ELAINE URRUTY	Office Manager
	LISA BIEDINGER	Customer Svs. Rep.
	JENNA MAYO	Administrative Analyst
	BARBARA BRENNER	UPUD Legal Counsel
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1. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. The Pledge was given.
2. PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.

ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: The meeting was moved to closed session at 4:35 PM.

3. CLOSED SESSION:
 - a. Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) (one case – significant exposure to litigation)
 - b. Public Employment Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1)

RETURN TO REGULAR SESSION: The meeting returned to regular session at 5:15 PM

4. REPORT ACTION FROM CLOSED SESSION: There was nothing to report.

MEETING ADJOURNED TO MASONIC HALL LOCATION FOR PUBLIC HEARING: The meeting was adjourned at 5:15 PM to move to Public Hearing location.

5. PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING PROPOSED WATER RATE INCREASE. The meeting was called to order at 5:30 PM.

- Introduction - UPUD General Manager, Summer Nicotero, thanked everyone for attending and briefly reviewed the UPUD 218 Rate Study process.
 - Presentation - Mark Hildebrand, Consultant from Hildebrand Consulting was introduced and gave a presentation on the UPUD 2022 Water Rate Study.
 - Public Testimony - After the presentation, the meeting was opened for public comments and to field questions from the public.
 - Close Public Hearing – Public comments were closed & the Board recessed to tabulate protests received.
 - Statement of Written Protests – Director Quincy reported that 197 protests were received and counted and did not meet the 50% required to stop the rate increase.
 - Consideration of Resolution 2022-17: Water Rates – At this time the Board reported that they are going to look into items and recommendations brought up by the public and will vote at a later time.
6. DIRECTOR COMMENTS. The Board & General Manager thanked everyone in attendance for their participation.
 7. NEXT MEETING: The next regular meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 18, 2023, at 5:30 PM.
 8. ADJOURNMENT. The meeting was adjourned with no further business at 7:56 PM.

Submitted by: _____
 Thomas E. Quincy, Secretary

Date: _____

ATTEST:

 Elaine M. Urruty
 Clerk to the UPUD Board of Directors