

MINUTES
UPPER RUSSIAN RIVER WATER AGENCY
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
APRIL 7, 2021

Director McNerlin called the meeting to order at 5:04 p.m.

Present: Directors, Ken Todd, Ross LaRue, Theresa McNerlin, Steve Bogart, Willow GM, Jared Walker, Secretary, Kate Barrett

Others Present: Russian River Flood Control, Al White

Absent: Director, James Green

Public Expression - Non-Agenda Items

None.

Urgent Items

None.

Approval of Agenda

Director Todd made a motion, seconded by Director LaRue, to approve the agenda. This motion was passed with the following vote:

AYES: Todd, LaRue, McNerlin, Bogart

NAYS: -0-

ABSTAIN: -0-

ABSENT: Green

Approval of March 3, 2021 Minutes

Director Bogart made a motion, seconded by Director Todd, to approve the March 3, 2021 Minutes. This motion was passed with the following vote:

AYES: Todd, LaRue, McNerlin, Bogart

NAYS: -0-

ABSTAIN: -0-

ABSENT: Green

Approval of Financials

Director Bogart made a motion, seconded by Director Todd, to approve the Financials for March 2021. This motion was passed with the following vote:

AYES: Todd, LaRue, McNerlin, Bogart

NAYS: -0-

ABSTAIN: -0-

ABSENT: Green

Updates on the Potter Valley Project

GM, Walker reported that the IWPC is having a meeting on April 8, 2021 and hopes to get an update after the meeting.

Updates on Drought Conditions & Water Conservation

GM Walker reported that Russian River Flood Control had a meeting and is in stage three (3) of water supply warnings. The Russian River Flood Control has no surplus water and they are not sure how much water they are going to have. Walker also reported that the diversions through the Potter Valley Project are going to reduce the flow significantly in the future. The districts are going to have to enforce water conservation measures; customers will need to cut back on their water usage and potentially need to cut down to 50-55 gallons per person per day, the public safety minimum usage.

Russian River Flood Control, Al White wanted to notify the board of the 2021 drought preparedness program and to encourage all the districts to notify customers to conserve water.

Director Bogart expressed his frustration with the state loosening COVID-19 restrictions for businesses and letting them come back to life, and then the drought is going to potentially shut them down again.

Reports on Meeting by Board Members

Calpella County Water District representative, Steve Bogart

- Standard meeting.

Redwood Valley County Water District representative, Ken Todd

- The ag customers are being turned off April 19, 2021.

Ukiah Valley Sanitation District representative, Theresa McNerlin

- The board members should start to think about moving forward and consolidate the districts. This item will be added to the March 5, 2021 agenda.

Directors Comments

Director Bogart commented that this will be an interesting time for the Upper Russian River Water Agency and all the districts will need to try to manage the pain for the customer basis.

Closed Session

The board did not go into closed session.

Adjournment

President, McNerlin adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

Theresa McNerlin - President
Upper Russian River Water Agency

Date_____

Attest:_____
Kate Barrett - Board Secretary

Date_____