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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS SPECIAL MEETING AGENDA
03 May 2023 – 9:30 AM**

The special meeting will be held at District Office, 7740 Hwy. 101 North, Yachats, OR

1. **SPECIAL MEETING CALL TO ORDER**
2. **THE PURPOSE OF THIS MEETING IS TO MEET WITH CITY OF YACHATS MAYOR CRAIG BIRDIE TO DISCUSS THE CITY OF YACHATS WATER SUPPLY NEEDS.**
3. **ADJOURNMENT**

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1. REGULAR MEETING CALL TO ORDER	President Cuellar called the meeting to order at 9:30 AM.
a. Determine Quorum Present	President Cuellar deemed that a quorum was present: President Cuellar, Vice President Anthony, Director Turner and Director Sherkow.
d. Note Guests Present	Mayor Craig Berdie, City of Yachats
2. DISCUSSION CONCERNING POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF WATER TO SUPPLY THE CITY OF YACHATS SUPPLY NEEDS	<p>After introductions, Mayor Berdie started the discussion by saying that the City wants to become a customer of PUD. DM Anderson noted that there is an existing 4-inch inter-tie between the city and PUD, and that there are two pressure systems in the city with the inter-tie connecting to the lower system.</p> <p>The Mayor said that the city was experiencing low water levels in August and September each year, and that in some years there would be a water emergency or restrictions. He noted that the flow in the Yachats River was the means of determining the conservation trigger. The City's Water Master Plan called for intake from the river, but that low flows meant that water had to be reserved for the salmon population. There was also agricultural runoff and failed septic systems upriver causing additional water treatment for water that might be taken from the river.</p> <p>He said, at this point, he did not know how much water the city would need. He suggested that additional technical analysis and data should be assembled before in-depth negotiation could proceed. He said that issues might include additional capital costs and related items which would have to be determined. In addition, the terms and conditions would have to be addressed.</p> <p>DM Anderson stated that he met with Civil West Engineering to discuss what items might have to be addressed from a capital and operational view point. He also mentioned that he wanted to know how much water the PUD would require at a full "build-out" point in the future within its own boundaries compared to available water resources.</p> <p>The Mayor also noted that this year might be a weather pattern known as El Niño which would result in drier and hotter atmosphere. The City has established three trigger points in its Water Conservation Plan starting at limits on lawn watering and going up to restrictions on laundry services at resorts. The latter stage would likely result in poorer service, and loss of jobs at the resorts during the low-water period.</p> <p>President Cuellar noted the PUD's attorney would take the lead for the PUD in prospective negotiations concerning this issue. Mayor Berdie said that the City would likely secure a temporary city manager for a period of about 4 to 6 months. After that, a full-time city manager would take over. He suggested that the two parties (City and PUD) should undertake technical analysis first, however. This includes pressure zones, lack of looping in the distribution system, old pump, etc. He said that the City was seeking a long-term agreement.</p>

	<p>He also stated that the City had several older water storage reservoirs: 1 M gals., and 250,000 gals. The Master Plan calls for these to be rehabilitated or replaced. Added storage could be built near the water treatment plant. The City may need additional water during a construction period related to the storage facilities. That might be 5 years away.</p> <p>DM Anderson said that some water sources were seasonally available, like Viggie Creek which have low flows during the summer months. He also said that he expects that the City would reimburse the PUD for any engineering or legal expenses associated with a future agreement.</p> <p>Director Sherkow observed that the PUD needed a general idea about the amount of water the City was interested in and if it related to seasonal demands. The Mayor said that they didn't contemplate any change to the Urban Growth Boundary, but that there might be higher densities (person/DU) in the future.</p>
<p>9. ADJOURNMENT</p>	<p>President Cuellar adjourned the meeting at 9:55 AM.</p>

Roxie Cuellar, Board President
Roxie Cuellar, Director Subdivision 1

Date 5/31/23

Franklin Sherkow, Board Secretary
Franklin Sherkow, Director Subdivision 4

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