

Minutes
Upper Russian River Water Agency
Board of Directors Meeting
February 7, 2024

Director Cardoza called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Present: Directors - Steve Bogart, Ken Todd, Jerry Cardoza, Ross LaRue

Others Present: Willow GM - Jared Walker, Acting Board Secretary - Kim Saylor, Public - Alfred White, Bree Klotter, Elizabeth Salomone

Absent: Director McNerlin

Approval of January 3, 2024 Minutes

Director Bogart made a motion, seconded by Director Todd, to approve the January 3, 2024 minutes. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

Approval of the Financials

None.

Public Forum

None.

Old Business

- a. **Update on Ukiah Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (UVBGSA)**
 - GM, Walker reported that the UVBGSA would be hosting a meeting on January 11, 2024 from 1:30 p.m - 4:30 p.m via zoom or in-person at the County Board of Chambers in Ukiah and would also be hosting a rate and fee study workshop later that evening between 6 p.m - 7:30 p.m for anyone interested in attending.
 - The purpose of this meeting is to discuss and finalize budget costs.
 - GM, Walker to email the group when the next meeting date is set.

- b. **Update on Member Agency Projects**
 - GM, Walker reported that Calpella County Water District has entered into a rate study; public hearing is scheduled for February 13, 2024 at 6 p.m in the Willow County Board Room located at 151 Laws Ave.
 - Redwood Valley lake pump motor work has been completed.
 - Solar Panels on the Redwood Valley tank were damaged/lost in a recent storm, further assessment and insurance estimate needed.
 - Meter change-out projects are still ongoing throughout the districts.

- c. **Update on Potter Valley Project**
 - GM, Walker reported that the letter of support to PG&E was submitted on December 22nd; some districts chose not to support the proposed letter.
 - PG&E recused themselves on the proposed project, they are moving forward independently with their decommissioning plan.
 - As of now, there is currently no scheduled PVP meeting.

- d. **URRWA/City of Ukiah Ad Hoc Report – Consolidation Efforts**
 - GM, Walker reported that there are several meetings in the upcoming week including possible discussions regarding the new Ukiah Valley Water Authority (UVWA).
 - There was no clear direction from the board on what to do or how to move forward at this point.

New Business

Nomination of President to Upper Russian River Water Agency for 2024, tabled for next meeting.

Directors Report

Reminder of Calpella Water Districts upcoming Special Meeting and Public Hearing on February 13, 2024.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 5:58 p.m.

Theresa McNerlin – Board President
Upper Russian River Water Agency

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Attest: _____

Date _____

Kim Saylor - Acting Board Secretary