

MINUTES
HOPLAND PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS REGULAR BOARD MEETING
TELECONFERENCE ZOOM MEETING
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 09, 2023

President, Joan Norry called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m., with the following roll call:
Present: Directors, Joan Norry, Gary Rosetti, Bruce Nicolas, General Manager, Jared Walker, Office Manager, Liz Patton, Board Secretary, Chelsea Teague

Absent: None.

Financial Report/Bills

Director Gunter-Hall made a motion, seconded by Director Rosetti, to approve the financials for January 2023. The motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

Minutes

Director Nicolas made a motion, seconded by Director Norry, to approve the January 12, 2023 minutes. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

Correspondence

None.

Public Expression

None.

Staff Reports

a. Office Manager

- i. Office Manager, Liz Patton, had no report.

b. General Manager

- i. GM, Walker reported that he has not heard back from Caltrans regarding infrastructure that is in their way (Hwy 101 Project)
- ii. Water loss has jumped back up to 18/19%
- iii. Leak on the service line running into Hopland's facility jumped up to 300,000 gallons. It is an old 2" line and will cost about \$1,500.00 to repair.

Old Business

a. Capacity Planning

- i. Covered in GM report.

b. Inland Water & Power Commission (IWPC)

- i. GM, Walker reported that things have been quiet and he has nothing new to report.

c. Update on Drought/Water Conservation Efforts

- i. GM, Walker reported that there has been a tremendous amount of rainfall lately. There is hope that this years total rainfall could end the multi-year drought, but that won't be determined for a few months.

d. Report on URRWA and Consolidation Efforts

- i. GM, Walker reported that they are still in discussions with the City and respective legal counsels. Meetings are still occurring weekly regarding consolidation for participating districts. Preliminary estimates are around \$50M for the infrastructure improvements that will be needed to move the water efficiently. Most of the driving force for consolidation is the grant funding available to improve infrastructure that has not ever been offered before. The target deadline to make it all happen is July 01, 2023.

New Business

a. Hopland PUD Draft Waste Discharge Order

- i. GM, Walker reported on the State inspection at the wastewater treatment plant – the state was very pleased with the improvements made when they did a site visit at the Hopland facility.
- ii. GM, Walker further explained the Draft Wastewater Discharge Order to the Board and explained certain crucial points in the report. Director Norry made a motion, seconded by Director Nicolas, to direct staff to reach out to firms about the grant funding and report back. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

Adjourn

A motion to adjourn was made by Director Gunter-Hall, seconded by Director Norry at 7:58 p.m., and passed with a unanimous aye vote.

Joan Norry, President

Date _____

Chelsea Teague, Board Secretary

Date _____