

Minutes
Upper Russian River Water Agency
Board of Directors Meeting
March 1, 2023

Director McNerlin called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m.

Present: Directors, Theresa McNerlin, Steve Bogart, Ross LaRue, Ken Todd
Others Present: Willow GM, Jared Walker, Board Secretary, Chelsea Teague

Absent: Jerry Cardoza.

Approval of November 2, 2022 Minutes

Director LaRue made a motion, seconded by Director Bogart, to approve the November 2, 2022 minute. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

Approval of the Financials

The board reviewed and approved the financials for November, December, January, and February.

Public Forum

None.

Update on Member Agency Projects

- GM, Walker reported that there are a couple small projects.
 - Willow had the startup of Well 8 near Burke Hill after mechanical repairs
 - Redwood Valley's "Lake pump VFD and control upgrades
- VFD's were purchased – a bunch of dismantling, electrical and plumbing work will need to be completed.
- Delayed telemetry communications on the south end of Willow due to the storm and intermittent power outages.

Update on Potter Valley Project

- GM, Walker reported that PG&E responded as far as the transformer replacement
 - GM, Walker stated that it seemed as if the response was "non-committal" and PG&E stated they may not replace the transformer they originally said they would.

Update on Drought Conditions & Water Conservation

- GM, Walker reported that Lake Mendocino Army Corps of Engineers released water out of the lake, going from 95,000 cfs to 80,000 cfs.

Update on Ukiah Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (UVBGS)

- GM, Walker reported that this item has been on the agenda for a couple of months and Elizabeth Salomone was to give an update, but we had several meetings that were canceled.

URRWA/City of Ukiah Ad Hoc Report – Consolidation Efforts

- GM, Walker reported that ongoing discussions are still occurring
 - Water agencies in particular have been meeting regularly with the City of Ukiah to work towards consolidation
 - There is a lot of working through certain topics and solidifying the agreement
 - The goal is to get the best representation all the way around

- PUBLIC COMMENT: Bree Klotter asked a couple questions regarding consolidation and what would happen to the various Boards and committees

Directors Report

Director McNerlin let URRWA members know that UVSD Board of Directors would like to continue to see how consolidation goes for the water districts.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:08pm.

Theresa McNerlin – Board President
Upper Russian River Water Agency

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Attest: _____
Chelsea Teague - Board Secretary

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