

Minutes
Upper Russian River Water Agency
Board of Directors Meeting
October 5, 2022

Director McNerlin called the meeting to order at 5:01 p.m.

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

Absent: None.

Approval of September 7, 2022 Minutes

Director Bogart made a motion, seconded by Director Todd, to approve the September 7, 2022 minutes with corrections. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

Approval of the Financials

The board reviewed and approved the financials for September 2022.

Public Forum

None.

Update on Member Agency Projects

- GM, Walker reported that there we have preliminary plans for a block building around Millview Well 6 and Hopland PUD had a state inspection at the wastewater plant that went well.

Update on Potter Valley Project

- GM, Walker reported that he received an email from the General Manager of Sonoma Water Agency asking to participate in an interview process about the Potter Valley Project

Update on Drought Conditions & Water Conservation

- GM, Walker reported that the State Water Resource Control Board still has curtailments in place and the Voluntary Water Sharing Program continues to be suspended.

Update on Ukiah Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (UVBGS)

- GM, Walker reported that he would like a representative to step up to the UVBGS Board

URRWA/City of Ukiah Ad Hoc Report – Consolidation Efforts

- GM, Walker reported that they are adding in language from Willow’s MSAs with other Districts to the working draft agreement with the City of Ukiah
 - Very close to having a working draft for review
 - City of Ukiah would essentially be the successor agency
 - The goal is to come together has one agency with a clear path moving forward
 - Can’t necessarily “go back” once consolidation is complete due to funding mechanisms and water rights, etc.

- Many factors and components need to be simplified and discussed in detail such as water rights, rates, billing and collecting, employees, benefit packages, etc.

Representative for the Ukiah Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency (UVBGSA)

- GM, Walker reported that he needs someone on the Board to attend the GSA meetings and grasp the topics and come back and report to URRWA.
- Motion to appoint Director McNerlin to the UVBGSA by Director Cardoza, seconded by Director LaRue. This motion was passed with a unanimous aye vote.

Review of the FY 2021-22 Audit Report

The Board reviewed the Audit Report.

Directors Report

None.

Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 6:04pm.

Theresa McNerlin – Board President
Upper Russian River Water Agency

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Attest: _____
Chelsea Teague - Board Secretary

Date_____