

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order by President Taggart at 2:00 pm

1.1 Flag Salute

Director Taggart led the flag salute

1.2 Roll Call

Present were President Taggart, Directors Pulley, Hatley and Thompson. Also present were Recording Secretary Padilla, Attorney Carter, Engineer Heindell and Manager Boucher. Vice President Reynolds was absent.

2. PERSONS DESIRING TO ADDRESS THE BOARD

None

3. CONSENT AGENDA

3.1 Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on September 19, 2017

3.2 Financial Statements – September 2017

3.3 Water Warrants – Check Number 16137-16206 Total \$440,219.40

Water LAIF Deposit - \$57,317.84

Health Reimb Arrangement – Check Number 2674-2676 Total \$529.60

Sewer Warrants – Check Number 7036-7043 Total \$140,701.49

Sewer LAIF Deposit - \$17,682.16

3.4 Summary of District Operation and Solar Power Generation – September 2017

It was moved by Director Hatley, and seconded by Director Pulley to approve consent agenda item 3.1 - 3.4. Motion carried.

4. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

None

5. GENERAL ADMINISTRATION BUSINESS

5.1 Request to Change November Board Meeting Date

Manager Boucher informed the Board that the November Board meeting is scheduled to be held on November 21st which is the same day that staff will be having the Thanksgiving lunch. He requested from the Board to either change the meeting time on November 21st from 2:00 pm to 10:00 am or to hold the Board meeting a week earlier on Tuesday, November 14th. Consensus of the Board is to move the November Board meeting from November 21st to November 14th.

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5.2 Request to Increase Backflow Fees – Policy 1.230

Manager Boucher informed the Board that the current backflow charge is \$55.00/year. He reminded the Board that the District purchased a backflow module so that once a backflow has been tested, it will be entered into the backflow module and billed out on the monthly billing statement. He requested that the backflow charge be increased to \$60.00/year so that it will be billed out at \$5.00/month to those customers with a backflow device. Motion made by Director Taggart; seconded by Director Thompson and unanimously approved to amend Policy 1.230 – Administrative Fees to increase the Backflow Test from \$55.00/year to \$60.00/year.

6. WATER BUSINESS

6.1 Konkow Maidu Cultural Preservation Association Update

Manager Boucher informed the Board that Ms. Hedges is unable to attend the meeting today. He reported that in her third quarter report, she mentions that little activity has been done due to the extreme heat and fire danger. Ms. Hedges and her team plan to do more work to make the archaeological site readily survey-able before the weather turns again.

Manager Boucher mentioned that Director Reynolds and his son attended the lunch function that was held up in Concow. Director Reynolds had some concerns regarding some of the discussions that were held. Sopher Wheeler was present and there was talk about possibly donating part of Sopher Wheeler's land. There was also talk from Tony about putting a dock into Lake Concow. Manager Boucher mentioned that he will set up a meeting to speak with Kate and Pete Moak about it and will report back at the next Board meeting.

7. ATTORNEY REPORT

None

8. SEWER BUSINESS

8.1 SC-OR Report

Commissioner Hatley reported that the following items were discussed:

- **Solar Panels and the BP Solar Claim:** BP is offering \$1.10 watt to replace the solar panels on the system. The lawsuit requires replacement of the panels and SC-OR can include that they want installation of the panels. SC-OR is going to turn around and counter BP and ask for \$1.50 per watt per panel. So far, BP has paid SC-OR \$1.10-\$1.35 for failed panels. It was approved to purchase the Model QPG4.1 solar panels in an amount not to exceed \$400,000.

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The true-up bill with PG&E this year is \$288,031.22.

- **CPDG Funding to the City:** The SC-OR Commission gave direction to Manager Koch to find funding for the pump station. Manager Koch found a funding source which is to apply for a grant but unfortunately, the only people that can apply for the grant would be either the City of Oroville or Butte County. Manager Koch attended the City meeting and was asked by the Mayor why SC-OR was coming to the City of Oroville for money. Manager Koch did not go to the City of Oroville for money, he went to the City and requested to have them apply for the grant in SC-OR's name. The Mayor gave direction for SC-OR to speak with a grant writer.

8.2 Smoke Testing

Manager Boucher reported that the flyers regarding smoke testing were sent out with the October billing. He mentioned that smoke testing started in the afternoon hours on October 23rd. The crew started smoke testing down Oro Dam Blvd and is working their way through the mobile home parks. Manager Boucher mentioned that he will give an update when the testing is completed.

9. MANAGER'S REPORT

Director Reynold's Update: Manager Boucher informed the Board that Director Reynolds had a heart attack and fell breaking his left hip. He had surgery and is now in rehab. Director Reynolds hopes to be released sometime tomorrow.

Treatment Plant Vessels: Manager Boucher mentioned that there will be a charge from Duke Sherwood Contracting for breaking up the large concrete footings that the vessels were located on.

24" Mainline Replacement: Engineer Heindell reported that as of today, the 24" mainline replacement project is 100% complete. It is tied in on both ends and filling. Once properly tested, it will then be brought back on-line. They will be blowing sand into the casing once it has been verified that it is water tight. This project should be finale within a couple of weeks. He mentioned that there will be some added cost associated to some of the obstacles that were encountered during construction. He reported that the District now has a signed contract with the railroad.

10. HEARING OF INDIVIDUALS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

None

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11. BOARD COMMENTS

None

12. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 2:38 pm.

Secretary of the Board

President of the Board