

## **UVSD Special Board Meeting June 24, 2019**

**1. CALL TO ORDER** by Chair McNerlin at 6:00p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call by Chelsea Teague; Chair McNerlin, Vice-Chair Wipf, Director Marshall and Director Reed present. Director Bawcom absent per prior arrangement.

### **2. PUBLIC EXPRESSION OF NON-AGENDIZED ITEMS**

Mo Mulheren stated that it is very important that the UVSD Board and City Council provide the best services they can to the community and encouraged organizing a meeting to discuss the best path in moving forward.

Director Reed commented stating that there should be more communication when scheduling meetings.

### **3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RE: CITY'S REQUEST FOR DISTRICT TO ASSUME ONE-HALF OF THE INCREASED COST OF THE RATE STUDY**

Chair McNerlin addressed this item. Dave Redding discussed updates and difficulties with the Rate Study. Discussion amongst the Board, Dan Buffalo, Sage Sangiacomo, and Sean White.

Public comment: Sage Sangiacomo made some comments re: the increased cost of the Rate Study and stated the project needs to get done.

Discussion continued. Motion for the District to assume one-half of the increased cost of the Rate Study by Director Reed, seconded by Vice-Chair Wipf, all in favor.

### **4. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RE: NOTICE TO CITY OF UKIAH OF INTENT TO TRANSFER RESPONSIBILITY FOR DISTRICT BILLING AND COLLECTION AND/OR OPERATIONS AND MAINTAINENCE FUNCTIONS TO DISTRICT**

Dave Redding addressed this item. Discussion amongst the Board.

Public comment: Dave Redding, Donald McMullen, Dan Buffalo, Mo Mulheren, and Sage Sangiacomo all made comments re: the Operating Agreement, the notice, and billing and collections.

Board discussion continued.

Lee Howard stated that the District has had the same problem with getting the customer list from the City 10 years ago and the District has the same problem today. Mr. Howard stated that he did not believe the District is ready to take over billing and collections.

Board discussion continued.

Motion to give notice to the City of Ukiah to transfer responsibility for District billing and collections, triggering Section II.b.2. of the Operating Agreement.

Public comment: Dave Rapport made some further comments re: the Operating Agreement.

Vote: Ayes- Chair McNerlin, Vice-Chair Wipf, Director Marshall Nays- Director Reed

Operations and maintenance to revisit at a later date.

Chair McNerlin removed item number six (6) from the Agenda.

**5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RE: CONTINUED HOURLY SERVICES WITH URBAN FUTURES AND ORRICK AND INCREASING THE NOT TO EXCEED AMOUNT WITH STALKER FORENSICS**

Donald McMullen (District Legal Counsel), introduced this item.

Discussion amongst the Board.

Public comment: Dan Buffalo reminded the Board who deals with their finances and wanted clarification re: who Annette Stalker is. Sage Sangiacomo expressed his concerns re: "litigation teams" that are back in place.

Motion to continue hourly services with Urban Futures and Orrick and to increase the not to exceed amount with Stalker Forensics by Director Marshall, seconded by Vice-Chair Wipf.

Vote: Ayes- Chair McNerlin, Vice-Chair Wipf, Director Marshall Abstain- Director Reed

Motion carried.

**6. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RE: REVIEW OF JOHN SHARP ENGAGEMENT LETTER AND INVOICE RE: LAFCO**

Item removed from the Agenda by Chair McNerlin.

**7. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION RE: DIRECTION TO STAFF TO PREPARE A DRAFT RESPONSE TO THE GRAND JURY REPORT**

Chair McNerlin addressed this item.

Motion to give direction to staff to prepare a draft response to the Grand Jury Report by Vice-Chair Wipf, seconded by Director Marshall, all in favor.

**8. CLOSED SESSION – CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (PARAGRAPH (4) OF SUBDIVISION (D) OF SECTION 54956.9)**

No action taken – direction to staff.

**9. ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting adjourned at 9:01 p.m.