

SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

David Peterson, Vice President Chris Cefalu, Director BOARD MEMBERS Shane Romsos, Director Kelly Sheehan, President Nick Exline, Director

John Thiel, General Manager

Paul Hughes, Chief Financial Officer

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT February 3, 2022 MINUTES

The South Tahoe Public Utility District Board of Directors met in a regular session, 2:01 p.m., at the District Office, located at 1275 Meadow Crest Drive, South Lake Tahoe, California.

ROLL CALL:

Board of Directors: President Sheehan, Directors Romsos, Peterson

Absent: Directors Cefalu, Exline

Staff: John Thiel, Paul Hughes, Gary Kvistad, Melonie Guttry, Chris Skelly, Jessica Henderson, Bren Borley, Julie Ryan, Shelly Thomsen, Tim Bledsoe, Ivo Bergsohn, Greg DuPree, Trevor Coolidge, Dan Arce, Stephen Caswell, Jamie from the lab, Kevin Uribe

CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA OR CONSENT CALENDAR:

CONSENT CALENDAR:

<u>Moved Peterson/Second Romsos/Sheehan Yes/Cefalu Absent/Romsos Yes/Peterson Yes/Exline</u> **Absent** to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.

a. REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES: January 20, 2022 (Melonie Guttry, Executive Services Manager/Clerk of the Board) Approved January 20, 2022, Minutes

ITEMS FOR BOARD ACTION

a. Consider Virtual Board Meetings related to Assembly Bill 361 due to COVID-19 State of Emergency Proclamation (John Thiel, General Manager) – <u>John Thiel</u> provided details regarding AB 361 and the potential for virtual meetings. <u>Chris Skelly</u> provided further details regarding the support required to continue with virtual and hybrid Board meetings and addressed questions from the Board. <u>Attorney Kvistad</u> added that by adopting the Resolution, the Board is not mandated to use virtual meetings, but this provides some flexibility.

<u>Moved Romsos/Second Peterson/Sheehan Yes/Cefalu Absent/Romsos Yes/Peterson Yes/Exline Absent</u> to approve Resolution No. 3205-22, allowing for South Tahoe Public Utility District to conduct virtual public meetings through March 3, 2022.

<u>Moved Sheehan/Second Peterson/Sheehan Yes/Cefalu Absent/Romsos Yes/Peterson Yes/Exline Absent</u> to approve Payment of Claims in the amount of \$1,414,859.

STANDING AND AD-HOC COMMITTEES AND LIAISON REPORTS:

<u>Director Romsos</u> provided details regarding the Workforce Housing Committee Meeting held on January 20, 2022.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:

<u>Director Romsos</u> reported that he attended the Alpine County Biomass meeting on February 1, 2022, and provided details regarding their activities.

EL DORADO WATER AGENCY PURVEYOR REPORT:

<u>Director Peterson</u> reported that he attended the El Dorado Water Agency meeting on January 12, 2022, and the next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, February 9, 2022.

STAFF/ATTORNEY REPORTS:

Ivo Bergsohn provided a PowerPoint Presentation regarding the Alternative Plan for the Tahoe Valley South Subbasin Five Year Update and addressed questions from the Board. Attorney Kvistad provided some details regarding the foundation of this document and the work that Ivo Bergsohn has orchestrated and encouraged the Board to become familiar with the Executive Summary. The Board congratulated Ivo Bergsohn on his efforts and appreciate his work on behalf of the District.

<u>Stephen Caswell</u> reported the first public virtual meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 8, 2022, to include an overview of the Recycled Water Strategic Plan. The Board is welcome to attend this first meeting, which will start the three-year process for this program. Regular updates will be provided to the Board as the process unfolds. The Board suggested a separate Board Workshop for this topic could be helpful in the future.

<u>Attorney Kvistad</u> reported that CORE and Prostar submitted updated information yesterday regarding the solar program, which will be brought forward to the Ad-Hoc Solar and Community Power Committee at their next meeting.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT:

John Thiel reported on several items:

- Provided a staffing update
- Provided a COVID-19 update with one new staff case this week
- Reviewed comments from Board Members for the 2022 General Manager Goals. He reviewed several goals in more detail including exploring alternatives for District Workforce Housing and Rebranding the District. The Board recommended the 2022 General Manager final Goals be brought back to the Board for formal approval.

BREAK AND ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION: 3:07 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: 3:29 p.m.

a. Pursuant to Section 54956.9(d)(1) of the California Government code, Closed Session may be held for conference with legal counsel regarding existing litigation: Yolo County Superior Court Case CV2021-1686, Alpine County vs. South Tahoe Public Utility District; et al.

No reportable Board Action

ADJOURNMENT: 3:30 p.m.

Melonie Guttry, Clerk of the Board South Tahoe Public Utility District Kelly Speehan, Board President South Tahoe Public Utility District