

Mendocino County

Russian River Flood Control & Water Conservation Improvement District

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APPROVED MINUTES

Regular Meeting of August 7, 2023

At District Office: 304 N. State Street, Ukiah, CA 95482

1. Roll Call

Vice President White called the meeting to order at 5:37 PM.

Trustees Present: Christopher Watt, President
Alfred White, Vice President
John Bailey, Treasurer
John Reardan, Trustee

Trustees Absent: Tyler Rodrigue, Trustee

Staff: Elizabeth Salomone, General Manager

2. Approval of Agenda

Trustee Reardan moved to approve the agenda. Treasurer Bailey seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 (Reardan, Bailey, White, Watt)
Absent: 1 (Rodrigue)

3. Public Expression

No one indicated interest in speaking.

ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION

4. Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget and Rate Setting

Treasurer Bailey and GM Salomone presented the item. The basic operational costs of the District have increased, and a shortfall was projected based on the revenue generated from the \$47 per acre foot rate in place since 2009. An allocation of \$250,000 is recommended to address water supply reliability issues.

The Board discussed using a combination of a price per acre foot rate increase and the use of reserves to meet the projected 2023 deficit as summarized below:

Expenses: \$761,700
Revenue: \$567,906

Use of Reserves: \$200,000

Water Rate for 2023: \$68 per acre foot

Total increase from \$47 to \$68 = \$21 per acre foot
(\$14 per acre foot to meet operational deficit)
(\$7 per acre foot for water supply reliability projects)

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Vice President White moved to approve Resolution #23-03 Approving Fiscal Year 2023-23 Budget with revenue in the amount of \$567,906, expenses in the amount of \$761,700, and the use of Reserves in the amount of \$200,000, setting the rate per acre foot at \$68 for the 2023 contract year. Trustee Reardan seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a roll call vote:

Ayes: 4 (Reardan, Bailey, White, Watt)
Absent: 1 (Rodrigue)

REGULAR BUSINESS, INFORMATION, AND REPORT ITEMS

5. Water Supply Conditions Update - no comments or questions were received.

6. Consent Calendar

- a) Acceptance of the July 2023 Financial Report
- b) Approval of July 18, 2023 Special Board Meeting minutes
- c) Approval of Policy #23-01 Regarding Revising Policy #18-01 on Bank Account Balances and Investment Options.

Vice President White moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Treasurer Bailey seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 (Reardan, Bailey, White, Watt)
Absent: 1 (Rodrigue)

7. Trustee & Committee Reports

President Watt reviewed a press release that was issued only hours prior to the Board Meeting titled "Regional Partners Submit Proposal to Preserve Potter Valley Diversion and Fish Passage Options," the press release notes that Mendocino County Inland Water and Power Commission, Round Valley Indian Tribes, and Sonoma County Water Agency submitted a proposal to advance a regional solution for preserving flows in the Russian River and improving Eel River fisheries.

8. General Manager Report & Correspondence -no comments or questions were received.

9. Direction on Future Agenda Items

- District involvement in the proposed new entity related to the proposal submitted to PG&E.
- Fiscal Year End Reports (October)
- General Manager Evaluation

ADJOURNMENT

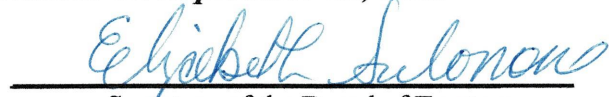
Vice President White moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 PM. Trustee Rodrigue seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the following vote:

Ayes: 4 (Reardan, Bailey, White, Watt)
Absent: 1 (Rodrigue)

APPROVED by Board of Trustees on September 11, 2023



President of the Board of Trustees



Secretary of the Board of Trustees

President
Christopher Watt

Vice President
Alfred White

Treasurer
John Bailey

Trustee
Tyler Rodrigue

Trustee
John Reardan