

MINUTES

BOARD OF DIRECTORS PLACER COUNTY WATER AGENCY

Thursday, October 11, 2007
12:00 Noon, Adjourned Regular Meeting

Board Directors present: CHAIRMAN LOWELL JARVIS, GRAY ALLEN, ALEX FERREIRA, MIKE LEE, and OTIS WOLLAN

Board Directors absent: None

Agency Staff Who Reported: DAVID BRENINGER, General Manager; ED TIEDEMANN, General Counsel; BRIAN MARTIN, Director of Technical Services; MIKE NICHOL, Director of Field Services; MAL TOY, Director of Resource Development

A. CALL TO ORDER

1. Roll Call:

Chair Jarvis called the adjourned meeting of the Placer County Water Agency Board of Directors to order at 12:15 p.m. in the American River Room, Placer County Water Agency Business Center, 144 Ferguson Road, Auburn, California.

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Ed Horton led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Introductions & Presentations: There were no introductions or presentations.

B. PUBLIC COMMENT: No member of the public commented.

C. REPORTS BY DEPARTMENT HEADS

Director of Field Services updated the Board on the annual canal outage.

D. AGENDA CHANGES AND REVIEW

The General Manager reviewed the agenda.

Director of Resource Development noted that later on the agenda Rick Lierman, on behalf of Squaw Valley Public Service District, will report on the district's need for assistance for a raw water supply. Discussion followed regarding the Financial Assistance Program.

Director Ferreira suggested the Board adopt a resolution that includes a policy statement about the Financial Assistance Program. The General Manager suggested a senior staff level ad hoc committee to discuss the matter.

Director of Resource Development noted Wade Freedle was scheduled to report on behalf of Sierra Lakes County Water District is unable to attend the meeting.

The General Manager noted our Middle Fork Project relies heavily on PG&E and said staff will develop a report of the expenses and revenue of the Project.

Director Ferreira noted there should be a general policy about the MFP revenue that directs the revenue to be used for certain purposes; that includes whatever revenues come after maintenance will be used for water matters in Placer County.

E. REPORTS BY DIRECTORS:

Director Ferreira drove past Lake Oroville recently and noted it is very empty like Shasta Lake.

F. REPORTS BY LEGAL COUNSEL: No report received.

G. REPORTS BY GENERAL MANAGER: No report received.

H. RECESS TO TRAVEL TO EAST PLACER COUNTY

The Board recessed at 12:53 p.m. to travel to East Placer County.

I. 2:30 p.m. Approximate RECONVENE AND CALL TO ORDER at Tahoe City Public Utility District Board Chambers

1. Roll Call

Chair Jarvis reconvened the adjourned meeting of the Placer County Water Agency Board of Directors to order at 2:40 p.m. at the Tahoe City Public Utility District Office, 221 Fairway Drive, Tahoe City, California. Roll call was taken again and all Directors were present.

Each person in the audience introduced themselves.

2. Pledge of Allegiance: Rick Lierman led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Introductions:

- Greetings from Tahoe City Public Utility District representative

Agency General Manager introduced Tahoe City Public Utility District General Manager Bob Lourey. Mr. Lourey welcomed the Board.

Agency General Manager noted an Agency 50th Anniversary reception will follow at the River Grill. He requested former Board member Bill Briner to join the reception and noted Mr. Briner was featured in the Agency's customer newsletter this month.

J. PUBLIC COMMENT: No member of the public commented.

K. GENERAL ITEMS:

1. Receive presentations and comments.

- a. Bob Lourey: update on status of private water companies within Tahoe City Public Utility District (TCPUD) boundary
- b. Lee Schegg: update on North Tahoe Public Utility District (NTPUD)

- c. John McLaughlin: update on Town of Truckee
- d. Rick Lierman: update on Squaw Valley Public Service District (SVPSD)
- e. Wade Freedle: update on Sierra Lakes County Water District (SLCWD)
- f. Brian Martin: update on PCWA Zone 4
- g. Mal Toy and Joe Parker: update on Financial Assistance Program (FAP)

Under item K.1.a. Director of Resource Development welcomed the speakers and introduced TCPUD General Manager Mr. Lourey.

Mr. Lourey reported on the background of his District and the services they provide. He reported on TCPUD policy to deal with the acquisition of private water companies. He noted the District has two potential acquisitions underway—one initiated by Lake Forest customers and one initiated by a water company owner. One company needs the entire distribution system replaced. The District has hired consultants to do appraisals and rate studies. Inquiry, response, and discussion followed.

Director Wollan suggested the Agency study their Financial Assistance Program to see if it needs to be redesigned. He noted the Agency needs to come up with an official policy statement on how the Agency will approach the revenue stream from the Middle Fork Project in 2013.

Director Lee noted the Agency will be dealing with the water side whereas the County will be dealing with sewer, storm drainage and issues the Agency is not involved with.

Under item K.1.b. North Tahoe Public Utility District Assistant General Manager and Public Works Director Lee Schegg described the District's boundaries and services. His District runs three separate water companies: Dollar, Carnelian, and Main. The districts were originally seasonal, but have been pressed into year-round service. He reported on the following:

- Wild land and urban fire protection
- The District has entirely rebuilt sub-communities, replaced all original water sources, and extended fire protection to every part of the system.
- They operate the only water treatment plant in California licensed for non-filtration by the use of ultra violet radiation in tandem with chlorine for dual barrier disinfection.
- They have aged infrastructure that was never designed as a cohesive unit. Many pipes freeze because they are not far enough below ground.
- They are on 100% radio read meters.
- Their annual water loss is 28%.
- Their Board adopted a Kings' Beach grid waterline replacement project.
- They are going through the Proposition 218 process and are proposing a \$20/month replacement fee and \$1.40 State mandated fee.
- The District adopted a Capitol Improvement Program. They also adopted an annual budget and are trying to come up with a revenue stream. They have gone to a pay-as-you-go system.
- They are looking at a water storage project to increase storage by 1.4 million gallons.

Under K.1.c. Truckee Community Development Director John McLaughlin reported in 1993 the Town incorporated and established the first General Plan in 1996. The effort of the General Plan was to make the Town a destination unto itself. A lot of new development

occurred. The Town is now trying to slow down development and improve what they have. They now have a “no gates and no more golf courses” plan. He described the town, area, housing, current approved development, and proposed residential and commercial development.

He described Gray’s Crossing and concern by the community about the golf course being served by the Public Utility District.

He reported on the Truckee Railyard/Mill Project, the Hilltop Master Plan area, the Coldstream development, and the Joerger Ranch community. Discussion followed.

Under K.1.d. Squaw Valley Public Service District General Manager Rick Lierman described his districts’ services. He reported on the following projects:

- Aquifer storage and recovery project and drilling in the meadow in Squaw Valley
- Their Board adopted a groundwater management plan for Olympic Valley.
- The district is looking at fatal flaw analysis and the ability in import water from outside the Valley.
- The Resort at Squaw Creek is going to move forward with their 221-unit project and will develop their own water supply.

K.1.e. No report received

Under K.1.f. PCWA Director of Technical Services reported on the greater Martis Valley water system, showed a map of the area, and described site of the future Agency Business Center. The Agency originally served Lahontan and added Hopkins, Timilick, and Martis Camp. He reported the following:

- The size of each development.
- The description of the Lahontan maintenance facility, well, and tank.
- Martis Camp is going to drill a pump station. He described the tanks being developed by Martis Camp.
- He reported on the tanks built by Timilick and noted they are 200’ apart and gives the Agency a redundant system for maintenance purposes. Tank 3 is temporary. Tank 4 will be permanent and will be turned over to the Agency.
- He described the proposed Business Center and noted the County wants the Agency to change it so access is from the road currently located behind the site.

K.1.g. No report received.

2. Receive report on proposed 2008 Water Bond.

Item continued to next Board meeting.

3. Review activities scheduled for PCWA 50th Anniversary.

No report received.

L. REPORTS BY DIRECTORS: No report received.

M. REPORTS BY LEGAL COUNSEL: No report received.

N. REPORTS BY GENERAL MANAGER: No report received.

O. RECESS TO TRAVEL TO 50TH ANNIVERSARY RECEPTION AT RIVER GRILL

The Board recessed at 4.26 p.m. to travel the River Grill at 55 West Lake Boulevard, Tahoe City, California, for PCWA 50th Anniversary reception

P. 4:30 p.m. RECONVENE AND CALL TO ORDER at River Grill

1. Roll Call
2. Comments
3. Public comment

Chair Jarvis reconvened the adjourned meeting of the Placer County Water Agency Board of Directors to order at 4:46 p.m. at the River Grill at 55 West Lake Boulevard, Tahoe City, California. Roll call was taken again and all Directors were present.

The Agency General Manager recognized Bill Briner, senior statesman of the Agency. Mr. Briner was on the Agency Board when the Board decided to build the Middle Fork American River Project.

Director Jarvis presented an award to Mr. Briner.

Directors Ferreira, Lee, Wollan, Allen, General Counsel Ed Tiedemann, and former Board member Ed Horton recognized Mr. Briner's service to the Agency.

Gray Gibson noted Mr. Briner has always been a steward of Lake Tahoe and his long-time experience has been very helpful.

Q. ADJOURNMENT

At 5:25 p.m. Director Ferreira made a motion to adjourn; motion seconded by Director Lee and adopted by unanimous vote of directors present.

ATTEST:

Cheri Sprunck, Clerk to the Board
Placer County Water Agency