

**Burney Water District
Board of Director's Regular Meeting
August 17th, 2017**

ITEM

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Directors Jim Hamlin, Britta Rogers, Roger Borkey, Fred Ryness and District Manager Willie Rodriguez.

ABSENT: Director Tanya Taylor.

CALL TO ORDER: President Roger Borkey called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

None.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

**3A. Approval of Minutes of the Finance Standing Committee Meeting of May 17th, 2017.
(Original to be signed at meeting)**

**3B. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 18th, 2017.
(Original to be signed at meeting)**

3C. Approval of Minutes of the Finance Standing Committee Meeting of July 19th, 2017. (Original to be signed at meeting)

**3D. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of July 20th, 2017.
(Original to be signed at meeting)**

3E. Financial Reports for the Month Ending May 31st, 2017.

3F. Financial Reports for the Month Ending June 30th, 2017.

3G. Financial Reports for the Month Ending July 31st, 2017.

Director Hamlin identified some grammatical errors on items 3B, 3C and 3D. Director Borkey noted a motion that was not made on item 3B. Director Ryness made a motion to Approve the Consent Calendar with the Corrections. Director Hamlin seconded the motion.

AYES: HAMLIN, ROGERS, BORKEY, RYNESS.

ABSENT: TAYLOR.

CARRIED

BUSINESS:

- 4. Washburn-Bue Park Concerns – Lola Harris:** Lola Harris reported that the fields have been mowed and watered but there are several big dry spots on the fields. The sprinklers need to be fixed and adjusted and would like to know what the District is going to do about it. She

recommended having a community meeting to discuss the Parks to get some community involvement. She also recommended having the Sugarpine Conservation Crew come in the Spring and Fall to clean up the parks on an annual basis. District Manager Willie Rodriguez summarized the old contracts between the District and Little League about the maintenance of the Washburn-Bue Park. They have had some discussions at the Chamber and trying to schedule a meeting community with Mary Rickert, but at this time she would rather talk about mental illness and drug use in our community. He has had discussions with Cindy Dodds and she is also interested in getting a meeting together and having the Community Center, Burney Water District, Lions, Rotary, Pit River, Little League, and Flag Football. Cindy's thought is trying to work things out between organizations to do something to generate revenue with would allow them to take care of all the facilities. The district is worried about liability issues with the playground equipment at the parks and District Manager Willie Rodriguez could have Jim Emmerson through SDRMA or Safety First through the schools to take a look at the equipment. Roger recommends getting rid of the equipment due to liability. Appoint an AD Hoc during the community meeting to discuss the issues to come up with resolutions to the issues. The Board gave District Manager Willie Rodriguez direction to remove all playground equipment at the Washburn-Bue Park due to liability issues.

5. **Review and Approve FY 17/18 Final Budget:** District Manager Willie Rodriguez summarized the Draft of the FY 17/18 Final Budget with the board and answered questions. Director Rogers made a motion to Approve the FY 17/18 Final Budget. Director Hamlin seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL: HAMLIN, ROGERS, BORKEY, RYNESS.
ABSENT: TAYLOR.**

CARRIED

6. **Discuss Co-Generation and Power/Distribution Opportunities – Ryness:** Director Ryness had a discussion with a PG&E Manager for questions about access to the river and the reasoning for them closing it was due to liability. He believes that if we formed a Community Services District that we would be able to get access down to the river again. He would like to get together with all the Special Districts in our area to form a Community Services District. Director Ryness would like to form an AD Hoc Committee to talk to other Special Districts about forming this. District Manager Willie Rodriguez informed the board that Community Services District does not have any power to run Co-Generation, but this could be done by forming a Public Utilities District. The only way we could do this without having a Public Utilities District is if we tied generation to a water conservation effort. We have only enacted our recent water conservation policy only because it was mandated by the State, not because there was a lack of supply. This would make it difficult to justify.

REPORTS:

7. **Presidents Report:** None.
8. **Director Reports / Committee Reports:** Director Ryness was notified that he was nominated for another 3 year term on the CSDA Board. As part of his duties as a CSDA Board Member, he must attend the CSDA Annual Conference in September.
9. **Pool Manager's Report / Friends of the Pool Committee Report:** Pool Manager Stephanie McQuade reported that they had an emergency situation at the pool facility where the ambulance had to be called out due to a heat related illness that was preventable. She will now better monitoring all of her employees and going to work on how to keep this from happening

again. We had our second break into the facility over the weekend and is working on getting the footage over to the police. Strange and Sons will be getting a quote to us to fix the fencing around the facility. The last day of the season will be September 1st and will not be doing a two week extension this year due to a shortage of staffing. Intermountain Swim Club assistant coach Tracy Geisler is filling in during the morning hours for lap swim and water fitness as all staff are high school students. Our last session of swim lessons was August 4th and we had a good turnout for our lessons. All programs are starting to slow down now that school is in session. Has received several phone calls from other aquatic facilities asking about how we get our funding and other questions about how our facility is ran and would like me to get some informational documents over to them so they can change their process so they can bring in more revenue and maintain their facility better. She will be taking over all winterization of the facility this season and once it is completed she plans on having the Field Superintendent Mike Skelly come over to do a walk through to make sure she doesn't miss any steps. We have had some issues with the therapy pool this year and plan on getting Guitons out after season to take a look at it and schedule some work to be done.

10. **District Manager's Report:** Willie reported on the following items:
- We had PACE Engineering put together some documents that are required for environmental work for the sewer improvements project because we are receiving funding through the Prop 1 grant program. We have a mandated declaration that we will not be disturbing anything environmentally and it is currently out for review. The document is about 400 pages, there is a copy at the library. The document will be brought to the next board meeting.
 - Working on getting information together for our Prop 1 grants on the water side. Because our Community is severally disadvantaged, we are not required to charge 1.5% of the median household income in rates to qualify.
 - CSDA Annual Conference is in September and it is a requirement for Director Fred Ryness to attend that to keep his seat on the CSDA Board. We may need to put a Special Meeting together to approve that.
 - Have several active water leaks in the District that we are working on repairing.
11. **Review Future Agenda Items and Summarize Board Direction:** CSDA Annual Conference approval for Director Ryness, Remove Playground Equipment at Washburn-Bue Park, Schedule a Community Meeting Washburn-Bue Park, and Progress for Online Bill Pay.
12. **Adjournment:** Director Ryness moved for adjournment. Director Rogers seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 8:51 p.m.

AYES: HAMLIN, ROGERS, BORKEY, RYNESS.
ABSENT: TAYLOR.

CARRIED


CHAIRPERSON


BOARD SECRETARY