

**Burney Water District
Board of Director's Regular Meeting
September 21st, 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 6:35 p.m.

2. PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Lola Harris came about the Washburn-Bue Park and would like to know what work has been done since the last meeting. District Manager Willie Rodriguez reported that he has not met with any organization to discuss the parks. He has been working on some other major projects but once those are complete he will be working on getting all of the organizations together to have a meeting about the parks and see if they can come up with some resolutions to the issues. She reported that the Burney High School S Club went to the park and cleaned up the trash and she would like the District to send a thank you to the club. She reported that the park is still being watered but one particular sprinkler is broke and spraying across the road into a neighbor's driveway. She is concerned that it may be a liability and requested that it be fixed. She requested that Willie inform her when he gets a meeting scheduled to discuss parks and she would talk to some of the organizations in town that she is involved with to attend. She requested that the current play structures get replaced and volunteered to look into the costs for that.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

**3A. Approval of Minutes of the Finance Standing Committee Meeting of August 16th, 2017.
(Original to be signed at meeting)**

**3B. Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 17th, 2017.
(Original to be signed at meeting)**

3C. Financial Reports for the Month Ending August 31st, 2017.

Director Ryness made a motion to Approve the Consent Calendar. Director Rogers seconded the motion. Director Hamlin noted some grammatical errors in item 3B. Director Ryness amended his motion to approve the Consent Calendar with Revisions made to item 3B. Director Rogers seconded the amended motion.

AYES: HAMLIN, ROGERS, BORKEY, RYNESS.

ABSENT: TAYLOR.

CARRIED

District Manager Willie Rodriguez requested to move to Items 9 and 10 to accommodate visiting presenter Carla Thompson from ENPLAN.

BUSINESS:

9. **Discuss the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study for the Wastewater Collection and Treatment Improvement Project:** Carla Thompson from ENPLAN came to the meeting and summarized the Proposed Mitigated Negative Declaration and Initial Study for the Wastewater Collection and Treatment Improvement Project with the board. She summarized the two phases of the project and discussed the areas that needed mitigation. She summarized a letter received from Department of Fish and Wildlife and went over their comments and recommendations for mitigation. She also summarized some additional findings that need to be included in the adoption resolution. These findings list changes to some mitigation measures, the reasons why those changes need to be made and that there will be no environmental impact from these changes.
10. **Review and Approve Resolution 2017-09 Adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Wastewater Collection and Treatment Improvement Project:** Director Hamlin Approved Resolution 2017-09 Adopting the Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Mitigation Monitoring and Reporting Program for the Wastewater Collection and Treatment Improvement Project as amended to include the additional findings. Director Ryness seconded.

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

CARRIED

4. **Approve Training, Travel, and Lodging Expenses for Director Fred Ryness for the 2017 CSDA Annual Conference, September 25-28, 2017 in Monterey:** Director Rogers made a motion to Approve Training, Travel, and Lodging Expenses for Director Fred Ryness for the 2017 CSDA Annual Conference, September 25-28, 2017. Director Hamlin seconded the motion. Director Ryness abstained.

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

CARRIED

5. **Review and Approve Resolution 2017-05 Authorizing the District Manager to Sign a File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Well 9 Improvement Project:** District Manager Summarized the purpose of the resolution with the board. Director Ryness made a motion to Approve items 5, 6, 7, and 8. Director Hamlin seconded the motion.

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

CARRIED

6. **Review and Approve Resolution 2017-06 Authorizing the District Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project:**

See item 5 above.

7. **Review and Approve Resolution 2017-07 Authorizing the District Manager to Sign and**

File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Water Storage Improvement Project:

See item 5 above.

8. Review and Approve Resolution 2017-08 Authorizing District Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Collection System Improvement Project:

See item 5 above.

REPORTS:

- 11. Presidents Report:** Director Borkey received a letter from SDRMA saying we had no paid Property/Liability Claims for FY 16/17.
- 12. Director Reports / Committee Reports:** Director Rogers would like to discuss the parks more. She would like to give recognition to everyone who takes care of the parks on an annual basis to let them know that the work they do is appreciated and give them credit for giving back to the community. Director Borkey would like to know how much the cost would be to have the sprinklers fixed at the parks. He suggested that the District go to some of the organizations throughout the community to come up with the funds to do the repairs at the parks. Director Rogers was wondering on if we had our internet issues resolved and what was done to fix it. District Manager Willie Rodriguez informed her that Frontier did some trouble shooting and changed us to a new network card and replaced our modem. Then he worked with the IT from our billing program and he was then able to get on, but it kicked him off after about 12 minutes. So we are still having some issues with our connection and working on getting those issues resolved but he is hesitant to go forward with our online bill pay at this time with our connection issues.
- 13. Pool Manager's Report / Friends of the Pool Committee Report:** Pool Manager Stephanie McQuade reported that it was a successful pool season and gave the seasonal counts for all the programs the facility offers. She also reported that she completed the winterization process at the facility and had the Field Superintendent Mike Skelly shut the water off and help clear the lines.
- 14. District Manager's Report:** Willie reported on the following items:
- Talked to Laurie McCollum at PACE regarding the meter replacement project. Because the Prop 1 funding for this project contains federal funds, there are stricter requirements. For the Meter Replacement Project, we would need to have every single meter box inspected for environmental impacts and the cost of that would be around fifty thousand dollars. They would have to look at over one thousand sites and that would put the project outside of the timeframe, so after spending the time and money to inspect the meter boxes we wouldn't be able to get the funding to replace the meters. So we will not be requesting Prop 1 funds from the State Water Resources Control Board for that, but will try to pursue money for that project that isn't federal funding so we can minimize the environmental work. So we will now be adding in New Storage and Solar Projects instead. It is being reported that the money is getting tight for the Prop 1 funds on the water side due to there being no restrictions. State Water Resources Control Board is anticipating that the money

may be spoken for by the end of the year, so hopefully we will be able to get the funding. We have been talking to the State to figure out how much funding is left.

- We have lots of equipment in our yard. Teichert Construction is working for PG&E. They are replacing the natural gas distribution pipeline and are storing their equipment in our yard. We will be renting our land to them. They have laid down some rock for us and made improvements and anticipate 6 weeks utilization.
- Talked to Bill Johnson at Fall River CSD and they have had some employees leave and is down to one and a half staff. They have had some issues lately and he is looking for help with his wastewater treatment plant operations.
- There have been some issues with marking laterals on the Teichert job. We are not completely sure where they all are; they broke a few of them so our guys went out and fixed the damage fairly quickly. While fixing one of the laterals, they also found and repaired a leak in our main where someone laid a culvert on top of it and smashed it.

15. **Adjourn to Closed Session:** Director Borkey adjourned the meeting at 8:10 for closed session.

Closed Session Per Section 54957(b)(1) Public Employee Evaluation.

Title: District Manager

16. **Adjourn to Closed Session:**
Closed Session Per Section 54956.9(a) Conference with Legal Counsel – Existing Litigation

Title: Sibert v Burney Water District

Director Borkey called for open session at 9:35 and reported that they did an evaluation on District Manager Willie Rodriguez and presented it to him. No other reportable actions were taken.

Director Borkey requested to bring back items 5-8 and do individual motions for each item.

5. **Review and Approve Resolution 2017-05 Authorizing the District Manager to Sign a File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Well 9 Improvement Project:** Director Rogers made a motion to Approve Resolutions 2017-05 Authorizing the District Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Well 9 Improvement Project. Director Hamlin seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: HAMLIN, ROGERS, BORKEY, RYNESS.

ABSENT: TAYLOR.

CARRIED

6. **Review and Approve Resolution 2017-06 Authorizing the District Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project:** Director Hamlin made a motion to Approve Resolution 2017-06 Authorizing the District Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project. Director Rogers seconded the motion.

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

CARRIED

7. **Review and Approve Resolution 2017-07 Authorizing the District Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Water Storage Improvement Project:** Director Ryness made a motion to Approve Resolution 2017-07 Authorizing the District Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Water Storage Improvement Project. Director Rogers seconded the motion.

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

CARRIED

8. **Review and Approve Resolution 2017-08 Authorizing District Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Collection System Improvement Project:** Director Rogers made a motion to Approve Resolution 2017-08 Authorizing District Manager to Sign and File a Financial Assistance Application for a Financing Agreement from the State Water Resources Control Board for the Planning, Design, and Construction of the Collection System Improvement Project. Director Ryness seconded the motion.

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

CARRIED

17. **Review Future Agenda Items and Summarize Board Direction:** Closed Session Labor Negotiations for District Manager, Continue Closed Session with Legal Counsel at Special Meeting or the next Regular meeting for Sibert v Burney Water District, Thank you for the S Club and Little League, Fix Sprinkler Head at Washburn-Bue Park and Talk to Interested Organizations for Meetings about Parks.
18. **Adjournment:** Director Hamlin moved for adjournment. Director Rogers seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 9:43 p.m.

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

CARRIED


CHAIRPERSON


BOARD SECRETARY