Burney Water District Board of Director's Regular Meeting June 16th, 2016

ITEM

CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

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

ABSENT: Directors Jim Hamlin and Tanya Taylor.

CALL TO ORDER: Acting President Roger Borkey called the Regular Meeting to order at 6:46 p.m.

2. PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

Alex Colvin would like to see the District look into finding some State funding for our parks and have the District personnel take over maintaining the parks. District Manager Willie Rodriguez informed him of how the Water District ended up owning the parks, he explained that they are maintained by volunteers and for us to have our staff take over maintaining those parks we would have to be collecting income to pay for that. For us to collect income for Parks, we would have to go to LAFCO and show them how we would fund it, and it would have to be supported by the community by a 2/3 or higher vote from our registered voters. The Board will look into this to see what different options we have.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR:

- Approval of the Public Relations Standing Committee Meeting of May 12th, 2016. 3A.
- Approval of the Finance Standing Committee Meeting of May 18th, 2016. 3B.
- Approval of Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 19th, 2016. 3C. (Original to be signed at meeting)
- Financial Reports of the Month Ending May 31st, 2016. 3D.

Director Rogers moved for approval of the Consent Calendar. Director Ryness seconded the motion.

AYES: ROGERS, BORKEY, RYNESS.

ABSENT: HAMLIN, TAYLOR.

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BUSINESS:

Public Hearing on Proposed Revisions to Rates, Fees and Charges for Water and Sewer 4. **Enterprises:** Mike Kiser thanked the district for their great service. He pays four water bills and is not against the rate increase. Several other customers attended the meeting in protest of the rate increase and stated their options and concerns. Tim Kirsten asked the Board if they would postpone making a decision on the Rate increases until he receives documents that he requested from the Water District regarding the increase. He also suggested that the district

sends out a document to all the customers asking if they are in favor or not of the rate increase to make it easier for our customers to give their input. Janet Chandler also attended the rate hearing and thanked the Board for the great service that the Water District provides but she would like to see the District make more of an effort to communicate to its customers and inform them about the issues that the District is facing. District Manager Willie Rodriguez and the Board explained why the District is proposing to raise the rates and answered all of the customer's questions.

Public hearing closed at 8:39.

5. Consider Approval of Ordinance 2016 W-1, Amending Exhibit A of Ordinance 2015 W-1 Water Rules and Regulations, Setting Water Metered and Base Rate Charges: Director Ryness moved to table Ordinance 2016 W-1, Amending Exhibit A of Ordinance 2015 W-1 Water Rules and Regulations, Setting Water Metered and Base Rate Charges until the district gives our customers information on why we are proposing a rate increase and after we get the documents requested by Tim Kirsten. Director Rogers's seconded the motion. District Manager Willie Rodriguez would like call a special meeting on June 21st at 6:30 pm, to discuss customer communication regarding the rate increases and bring this item back for the July 21st meeting.

ROLL CALL: ROGERS-AYE, BORKEY-NO, RYNESS-AYE.

ABSENT: HAMLIN, TAYLOR.

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6. Consider Approval of Ordinance 2016 S-1, Amending Exhibit 1, Table B of Ordinance 2015 S-1, Sewer Rules and Regulations, Setting Sewer Base Rate Charges: Director Ryness moved to table Ordinance 2016 S-1, Amending Exhibit 1, Table B of Ordinance 2015 S-1, Sewer Rules and Regulations, Setting Sewer Base Rate Charges until the District informs all the customers of the reasoning why we are proposing these increases and bring this item back at the July 21, 2016 meeting. Director Rogers seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: ROGERS-AYE, BORKEY-AYE, RYNESS-AYE.

ABSENT: HAMLIN, TAYLOR.

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7. Consider Adoption of Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Final Budget: Director Ryness moved to postpone the Adoption of Fiscal Year 2016-2017 Final Budget due to not raising the rates. Director Rogers seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: ROGERS-AYE, BORKEY-AYE, RYNESS-AYE.

ABSENT: HAMLIN, TAYLOR.

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8. Consider Ordinance 2016 W-2, Rescinding Mandatory Restriction On Outdoor Irrigation of Ornamental Landscapes or Turf with Potable Water: District Manager Willie Rodriguez summarized the changes to the Water Restrictions Mandate by Governor Brown, he doesn't have the Ordinance ready so he recommended that the Board tables this item until next meeting. Director Ryness moved to table Ordinance 2016 W-2, Rescinding Mandatory Restriction On Outdoor Irrigation of Ornamental Landscapes or Turf with Potable Water until June 21st. Director Rogers seconded the motion.

ROLL CALL: ROGERS-AYE, BORKEY-AYE, RYNESS-AYE.

ABSENT: HAMLIN, TAYLOR.

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- 9. **Presidents Report:** None.
- 10. Director Reports / Committee Reports: Director Ryness missed the last meeting because he was at CSDA Legislative Days in Sacramento and met with a variety of Legislators.
- 11. Pool Manager's Report / Friends of the Pool Committee Report: Pool Manager Stephanie McQuade reported that the schools came for the end of the year parties. The opening party was held on June 5th. Attendance wasn't as good as the past years, but everyone that showed up had a good time. Working on some issues with the kiddy pool this year. We had to replace several parts, so the pool was closed for a few weeks. Still having problems with the filters, but are hoping to have it open soon. Swim lesson classes are filled up along with our lap swimming and water fitness classes. The County health inspector showed up and had a good report, but would like to see some small changes for next year.
- 12. **District Manager's Report:** Willie reported on the following items:
 - We do have new fleet vehicles in the field, they have our phone number and website address on them.
 - Attended a GM Summit Leadership Conference held by CSDA in Squaw Valley. He received a scholarship from Wells Fargo, really enjoyed it and was very grateful that he was able to attend.
- 13. Adjourn to Closed Session pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 Conference with Labor Negotiators: Board went into closed session at 9:52 p.m.

 Agency Negotiators: Willie Rodriguez, Tanya Taylor, Jim Hamlin, Fred Ryness Employee Organization: Burney Classified Employees Association (BCEA) & Laborers Local 185
- 14. Reconvene Open Session and Announce Any Reportable Actions Taken in Closed Session: Meeting was Reconvened at 10:17 p.m., there were no reportable actions taken.
- **Review Future Agenda Items and Summarize Board Direction:** Request for Parks and Recreation investigation bring to the meeting in August, Special Meeting for June 21st to discuss communications, Water and Sewer Ordinances, Irrigation Ordinance, Final Budget, Closed Session MOU signatures.
- **Adjournment:** Director Rogers moved for adjournment. Director Ryness seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 10:23 p.m.

AYES: ROGERS, BORKEY, RYNESS.

ABSENT: HAMLIN, TAYLOR.

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