

## MINUTES

### UNION PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT REGULAR BOARD MEETING

August 28, 2024

Directors Present: Eric Bottomley, President  
Greg Rasmussen, Vice-President  
Tom Quincy, Secretary  
Bruce Tallakson, Treasurer  
Ralph Chick, Director

Directors Absent: None

Staff Present: Jessica Self, General Manager  
Jenna Mayo, Executive Admin Coordinator

Others Present: Jeremy Tamargo, NBS  
Jeffrey Land, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc  
Kelly Gerkenmeyer, CCWD External Affairs Manager  
Michael Minkler, CCWD General Manager  
Frank Splendorio, Best, Best & Krieger LLP  
Public at Large

## ORDER OF BUSINESS

### CALL TO ORDER/THE PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

#### 1. ROLL CALL

President Bottomley called the Regular Board Meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

#### 2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Motion: Director Rasmussen  
Second: Director Tallakson  
Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson, and Chick  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstained: None

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA AS PRESENTED.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT:**

No Public Comment.

**4. CONSENT AGENDA:**

- a. Approval of Minutes: June 26, 2024 – Regular Meeting
- b. Approval of Minutes: June 13, 2024 – Special JPA Meeting
- c. Expenditures - May, 2024, June 2024, July 2024
- d. Fund Balance Report – June 2024, July 2024
- e. Balance Sheet & Income Statement – June 2024, July 2024
- f. YTD Budget to Actuals – June 2024, July 2024
- g. Legal Fees Year-to-Date Review

Motion: Director Tallakson  
Second: Director Quincy  
Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson, and Chick  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstained: None

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE THE CONSENT AGENDA AS PRESENTED WITH THE POSTPONEMENT OF ITEMS 4 C, 4 E, and 4 F.

**5. OLD BUSINESS: None**

**6. NEW BUSINESS**

- a. Discussion/Direction Regarding Analysis of Potential Long-Term Loan (Jeffrey Land, Oppenheimer & Co. Inc)

Motion: Director Chick  
Second: Director Tallakson

Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson, and Chick  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstained: None

MINUTE ENTRY. MOTION TO APPROVE ITEM 6 A AS PRESENTED.

**b. Discussion/Action Regarding District Policy Updates  
(Jenna Mayo, Board Clerk)**

**RES 2024-017**

Motion: Director Quincy  
Second: Director Tallakson  
Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson, and Chick  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstained: None

RESO NO. 2024-017. TO ADOPT DISTRICT POLICY UPDATES RESOLUTION NO. 2024-017 – UPDATING DISTRICT EMPLOYEE POLICIES, AS PRESENTED.

**c. Discussion/Action Regarding Termination of CalPERS Health Benefits  
(Jenna Mayo, Board Clerk)**

**RES 2024-018**

Motion: Director Chick  
Second: Director Tallakson  
Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson, and Chick  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstained: None

RESO NO. 2024-018. TO ADOPT TERMINATION OF CALPERS HEALTH BENEFITS RESOLUTION NO. 2024-018 – ELECTING CEASE TO BE SUBJECT TO THE PUBLIC EMPLOYEES' MEDICAL AND HOSPITAL CARE ACT, AS PRESENTED.

**d. Discussion/Action Regarding Reimbursement Resolution  
(Jessica Self, General Manager)**

**RES 2024-019**

Motion: Director Rasmussen  
Second: Director Quincy  
Ayes: Directors Bottomley, Rasmussen, Quincy, Tallakson, and Chick  
Nays: None  
Absent: None  
Abstained: None

RESO NO. 2024-019. TO ADOPT REIMBURSEMENT RESOLUTION NO. 2024-019 – A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE UNION PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT,

**CALIFORNIA REGARDING INTENTION TO ISSUE TAX-EXEMPT OBLIGATIONS, AS PRESENTED.**

- e. CCWD and Hydropower Development on the North Fork Stanislaus River  
(Michael Minkler and Kelly Gerkenmeyer, Calaveras County Water District)

Kelly Gerkenmeyer, External Affairs Manager at CCWD, gave a compelling presentation on the Hydropower Development along the North Fork Stanislaus River.

- f. Discussion/Direction Regarding Draft Financial Analysis for Proposition 218  
(Jeremy Tamargo, NBS)

Jeremy Tamargo from NBS presented the draft financial analysis for the proposition 218 rate study. The board showed a preference for the irrigation rates outlined in alternative 3, which proposes a 6.5% rate increase over the next five years. For domestic rates, the board favored alternative 1, which recommends increases of 10% for the first two years, 9% for the third year, and 6% for both the fourth and fifth years.

**7. UPDATES**

- a. Discussion/Potential Direction Regarding Utica Water & Power Authority

None.

**8. REPORTS**

- a. General Manager

The General Manager's report was presented to the Board by General Manager, Jessica Self.

**9. DIRECTORS REPORTS, INFORMATION, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

Directors Quincy and Bottomley expressed their gratitude to Kelly Gerkenmeyer of CCWD for his presentation on the Hydropower Development on the North Fork Stanislaus River.

**10. CLOSED SESSION: None**


**11. NEXT BOARD MEETINGS & EVENTS**

1. Wednesday, September 25, 2024 at 5:30 PM - Regular Meeting
2. Wednesday, October 23, 2024 at 5:30 PM - Regular Meeting
3. Wednesday, November 27, 2024 at 5:30 PM - Regular Meeting

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting adjourned at 8:42 PM.

Respectfully Submitted:

  
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Tom E. Quincy, Board Secretary

ATTEST:

  
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Jenna Mayo, Clerk to the Board