Inverness Public Utility District



Fire Department ♦ Water System
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Board of Directors Minutes, Regular Meeting Wednesday, July 27, 2022, 9:00 a.m. Inverness Firehouse

1. Call to Order; Attendance Report

President Emanuels called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Directors Present: Kenneth Emanuels, Dakota Whitney, Kathryn Donohue, Brent Johnson

Directors Absent: David Press

Staff Present: Jim Fox, Chief of Operations; Wade Holland, Customer Services Manager; Ken Fox,

Senior Water Operator

Staff Absent: General Manager Shelley Redding

2. Public Expression

No one responded to the invitation to address the board.

3. Parcel Tax Initiative Measure on November 8 Ballot: Determine Whether to Take a Position on the Ballot Measure

President Emanuels described the process and the options provided to the Board for a motion stating the Board's position on the Parcel Tax Initiative (PTI). Public comment was received from Tom Gaman, Jerry Meral, Bridger Mitchell, Felix Chamberlain, Mike Durrie, and Dan Morse, in addition to written comments that have been received and are provided in the meeting packet. Public comment and Board discussion focused on such issues as the added staff time and office space needed to implement the PTI and the lack of specificity concerning the programs to be implemented by the proposed initiative ordinance. Concern was expressed over how the District would sustain current functions (structural fire protection, domestic water service, and first-responder medical aid) while developing and implementing a range of new programs under a significantly expanded wildfire prevention function. President Emanuels and Director Whitney expressed that they felt a need for more time to consult with IPUD staff on the practical aspects of implementing the PTI. President Emanuels said he supports taking no position on the PTI at this time. Chief Fox noted that it was important to include General Manager Redding as part of any discussion with staff. There being no motion on the floor, President Emanuels directed that the item be brought back to the Board at a special meeting prior to the August 22 deadline for submitting ballot measure arguments.

4. Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting of June 29, 2022

M/S Emanuels/Whitney to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 29, 2022, as submitted AYES 4, NOES 0

5. Management Report

Financial Reports: Operations Chief Jim Fox presented the financial reports and capital projects report for June 2022 and noted that there were no MWPA and MERA updates to report.

State of the Water Shortage Emergency: Wade Holland reported that the small but intermittent rains throughout the month have enabled the streamflows to hold steady, but continued conservation is needed in

order to maintain adequate supply as warmer days can be expected.

6. Water System Report

Senior Water Operator Ken Fox presented the June 2022 Water Report. Superintendent Jim Fox had nothing to add to the written report.

7. Fire Department Report

Chief Fox presented the June 2022 Fire Department report. Chief Fox had nothing to add to his written report.

8. Approve Expenditures and Credit Card Charges

M/S Johnson/Whitney to approve the June 2022 expenditures, as presented, and the June 2022 Cal Card statements for S. Redding and J. Fox, as presented. AYES 4, NOES 0

9. Resolution 273-2022: Calling an Election on November 8, 2022, to Adjust the Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Years 2022/23 through 2025/26 (Replacing Resolution 271-2022)

Customer Services Manager Holland explained that on the advice of the County Elections Office the previously adopted Resolution 271-2022 needs to be replaced to conform to recent changes in the State Elections Code.

M/S Whitney/Johnson to adopt Resolution 273-2022 Calling an Election on November 8, 2022, to Adjust the District's Appropriations Limit. AYES 4, NOES 0

10. Resolution 274-2022: Conflict of Interest Code Update 2022

Customer Services Manager Holland explained that the District's Conflict of Interest Code needs to be updated to reflect the change in Shelley Redding's job title from Administrator to General Manager.

M/S Whitney/Johnson to adopt Resolution 274-20222 amending the District's Conflict of Interest Code. AYES 4, NOES 0

11. Committee Meetings/Reports

Inverness Disaster Council (IDC) Lead Connie Morse asked about the proposal to update the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the IDC, West Marin Senior Services, and IPUD. Director Donohue referred Morse to the approved meeting minutes from the last meeting, at which meeting the MOU was approved by the Board and has been signed.

12. Adjournment

President Emanuels adjourned the meeting at 10:43 a.m. A Special Meeting will be scheduled sometime in mid-August. The next regular meeting is scheduled for August 24, 2022.

Attest: /s/ Date: 9/28/2022

Shelley Redding, Clerk of the Board