

Heceta Water People's Utility District  
87845 Hwy 101  
Florence, Or 97439  
June 16, 2015  
Board of Directors' Meeting

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

President Rohner called the meeting to order at 4:18pm on June 16, 2015.

**2. ROLL CALL**

Directors Chuck Gesik, Bob Hursh, Wendy Rohner, Jim Sievers, Debby Todd; GM Carl Neville, Secretary of Record Mike Buckwald, Insurance Agent John Murphey and Vickie Kennedy.

**3. PUBLIC COMMENT**

This opens the public hearing for the 2015-16 FY Budget, which will remain open until Agenda Item #9c. There was no public comment.

**4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

**ACTION:** Director Sievers made a motion to accept the minutes of the HWPUD Board of Directors' meeting held on April 21, 2015 as presented. Director Gesik seconded the motion. Directors Gesik, Hursh, Rohner, Sievers and Todd voted aye. There were no nae votes.

**ACTION:** Director Gesik made a motion to accept the minutes of the HWPUD Board of Directors' meeting held on May 19, 2015 as corrected. Director Sievers seconded the motion. Directors Gesik, Hursh, Rohner, Sievers and Todd voted aye. There were no nae votes.

**5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT**

There was no report.

**6. FINANCIAL REPORT – Mike Buckwald**

There are no issues concerning the HWPUD financials.

**ACTION:** Director Todd made a motion to accept the financial report of HWPUD as presented. Director Sievers seconded the motion. Directors Gesik, Hursh, Rohner, Sievers and Todd voted aye. There were no nae votes.

**7. STAFF REPORT – Carl Neville**

We are still in the running for Verizon's plan to use District property to erect communication towers. There are 9 properties that they are considering. CIP's are moving ahead with a few bumps in the process.

We are looking forward to the Open House on June 26. There was a question about the WMCP – what corrections needed to be made. GM Neville explained that the document, originally written in 2011 needed updated water usage numbers.

## **8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS**

### **a. Workers' Comp – John Murphey**

Mr. Murphey tried to explain the Group Self Insurance Resolution 2014-06 that caused concern for the District's liability for Workers' Compensation. He will continue to investigate to alleviate concerns.

### **b. Rate Increase -**

There was a discussion about the 2.5% rate increase proposed by the General Manager in April. The Directors felt that a dollar increase on the base rate for residential customers would be fair. (That figures out to 3.75%.) Director Todd was assigned to look over a press release notice written up by the staff. There will be public hearing in July.

## **9. NEW BUSINESS**

### **a. Board Training -**

There is a SDAO sponsored training here in Florence on Duties, Responsibilities, and Liabilities on July 14. Any board member wishing to attend needs to let GM Neville know by the end of next week.

### **b. General Manager's Evaluation -**

President Rohner expressed gratitude to board members for filling out the General Manager's evaluation in a timely manner. His evaluation was very positive.

**ACTION:** Director Todd made a motion to give GM Neville a step raise, effective July 1, 2015. Director Gesik seconded the motion. Directors Gesik, Hursh, Rohner, Sievers and Todd voted aye. There were no nay votes.

### **c. CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING – Resolution 2015-02 – Approval of HWPUD 2015-16 FY Budget.**

**ACTION:** Director Sievers made a motion to adopt Resolution 2015-02 – Approval of HWPUD 2015-16 FY Budget. Director Gesik seconded the motion. Directors Gesik, Hursh, Rohner, Sievers and Todd voted aye. There were no nay votes.

**10.ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA**

Director Sievers expressed concern about an employee's medical condition that may or may not be related to work.

President Rohner suggested that the board members each signify their vote on District issues verbally, one by one.

**11.AGENDA SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS**

There were no suggestions.

**12.ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:38 pm.