

Heceta Water People's Utility District
87845 Hwy 101
Florence, OR 97439
June 16, 2020
Board of Directors' Meeting

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Rohner called the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Heceta Water People's Utility District to order at 4:00 pm on June 16, 2020.

2. ROLL CALL

Directors Vito Coviello, Crystal Farnsworth, Wendy Rohner, Debby Todd and Alan Whiteside; Secretary of Record, Mike Buckwald; General Manager Carl Neville; and Cindy Spinner. Stuart Matthews was in the audience.

3. PUBLIC COMMENT – Stuart Matthews requested additional grace on Jack Hollingsworth's leak adjustment that was given on June 8, 2020.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

ACTION: Director Farnsworth made a motion to accept the minutes of the HWPUD Board of Directors' meeting of May 19, 2020 as presented. Director Whiteside seconded the motion. Directors Coviello, Farnsworth, Rohner, Todd and Whiteside voted aye. There were no nay votes.

5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT – President Rohner discussed the process she used to combine the Board's evaluation of GM Neville. His evaluation was excellent.

6. FINANCIAL REPORT – Mr. Buckwald reported that things are on course for the budget.

ACTION: Director Coviello made a motion to accept the financial report of May 2020 as presented. Director Farnsworth seconded the motion. Directors Coviello, Farnsworth, Rohner, Todd and Whiteside voted aye. There were no nay votes.

Mr. Buckwald then reported that Nationwide's retirement plan's guaranteed interest will decrease from the current 3.5% to 1% in 2023. Option 1 will allow employees to move 20% of funds to other investments. Option 2 will allow employees to move 40% of funds to other investments.

ACTION: Director Whiteside made a motion to accept Nationwide Retirement's Option 2. Director Farnsworth seconded the motion. Directors Coviello, Farnsworth, Rohner, Todd and Whiteside voted aye. There were no nay votes.

7. STAFF REPORT – Carl Neville – There was a discussion about the fire hydrant issue on Munsel Lake Road.

8. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

a) Rate Study - GM Neville explained staff's recommendation for a rate increase for the future, starting in October 2020. After discussion, the decision was made to revisit this issue at the July Board meeting.

9. NEW BUSINESS

a) Approve Resolution 2020-02 – FY2020-21 Budget

ACTION: Director Coviello made a motion to accept the FY2020-21 Budget. Director Whiteside

seconded the motion. Directors Coviello, Farnsworth, Rohner, Todd and Whiteside voted aye. There were no nay votes.

10. ITEMS NOT ON THE AGENDA

Director Coviello asked about previous experiences with customers receiving a greater than 50% leak adjustment. The Board agreed to continue with the general practice of not giving an extra break on Mr. Hollingsworth bill.

Director Coviello also asked about GM Neville's agreement with Norm Wells. GM Neville explained that Mr. Wells would charge a regular rate, as opposed to an emergency rate regardless of whether it was an emergency or not.

11. AGENDA SUGGESTIONS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS

Rate Study

12. ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 5:07 pm.

Wendy Rohner, President

Alan Whiteside, Board Member

Vito Coviello, Vice President

Crystal Farnsworth, Board Member

Debby Todd, Secretary/Treasurer