

APPROVED

**DONNER SUMMIT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT
P.O. BOX 610 – SODA SPRINGS – CALIFORNIA – 95728
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Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors
Held: June 15, 2021**

STAFF PRESENT: Tom Skjelstad, General Manager; Jim King, Plant Manager; Julie Bartolini, Office Manager

OTHERS PRESENT: Geoffrey O. Evers, General Counsel by telephone from 8732 Casa Del Rio, Fair Oaks CA; Schaelene Rollin, Pando Public Relations; Catherine Hanford, Hansford Economics; Paul Kos; Dave Peterson; Joanie Kaufman; Barb Altenberg

1. Call to Order

For the Regular Meeting (Section 54954), June 15, 2021 at 6:00 P.M., the meeting was conducted via Zoom due to the COVID-19 pandemic and in accordance with Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20.

The Regular Meeting of June 15, 2021 of the Donner Summit Public Utility District Board of Directors was called to order at 6:02 p.m. by President Cathy Preis.

2. Roll Call

Cathy Preis, President	- Present
Sara Schrichte, Vice President	- Present
Bob Sherwood, Secretary	- Absent -Excused
Philip Gamick, Director	- Present
Alex Medveczky, Director	- Present

3. Clear the Agenda- No Changes

4. Appointment of Interim Secretary~ Removed from agenda. This item was addressed at the May 18, 2021 Board of Director's meeting.

5. Public Participation- None

6. Consent Calendar:

All items listed under the Consent Calendar are considered to be routine and will be approved by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a member of the Board requests an item to be removed from the Consent Calendar for a separate action. Any items removed will be considered after the motion to approve the Consent Calendar.

- A. Cash Disbursements–General, Month of May \$178,109.48**
- B. Cash Disbursements–Payroll, Month of May \$87,513.51**
- C. Special Meeting Minutes May 4, 2021**
- D. Special Meeting May 10, 2021**
- E. Special Meeting May 11, 2021**
- F. Regular Meeting Minutes of May 18, 2021**
- G. Financials through April 2021**

Motion: Accept the Consent Calendar
By: Alex Medveczky
Second: Phil Gamick
Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain

Motion Carries

Public Hearing: Proposed Wastewater and Water Rate Increases

The Board will be presented with protest letters from ratepayers protesting the proposed sewer and water rate increases. Oral comments are welcome but will not count as official protests per Proposition 218 rules. Tom Skjelstad reported that the District received eight protest letters. A lengthy discussion ensued.

7. Ordinances:

1. ORDINANCE 03- 2021 OF THE DONNER SUMMIT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT TO AMEND AND MODIFY ORDINANCE NO. 03-2016, SETTING WATER RATES AND CHARGES

Motion: Adopt Ordinance 03-2021 of the Donner Summit Public Utility District to Amend and Modify Ordinance No. 03-2016 Setting Water Rates and Charges

By: Phil Gamick
Second: Alex Medveczky

Roll Call Vote

Bob Sherwood	-	Absent
Phil Gamick	-	Aye
Cathy Preis	-	Aye
Alex Medveczky	-	Aye
Sara Schrichte	-	Aye

Motion Carries

2. ORDINANCE 04-2021 OF THE DONNER SUMMIT PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT TO AMEND AND MODIFY ORDINANCE NO. 07- 2018, SETTING SEWER RATES AND CHARGES

Motion: Adopt Ordinance 04-2021 of the Donner Summit Public Utility District to Amend and Modify Ordinance No. 07- 2018 Setting Sewer Rates and Charges

By: Sara Schrichte

Second: Alex Medveczky

Roll Call Vote

Bob Sherwood - Absent

Phil Gamick - Aye

Cathy Preis - Aye

Alex Medveczky - Aye

Sara Schrichte - Aye

Motion Carries

8. Department Reports

A. Administration: Tom Skjelstad, General Manager

1. Sugar Bowl East and West Village Sewer Expansion Project- update on project activity. Reported.

2. Placer County, Local Agency Formation Commission Election- election for the Special District Representative and Alternate Representative seat on the Commission.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Submit the Ballot for Special District Representation & Alternate, Placer LAFCO Selecting, Fred Ilfeld, Olympic Valley Public Service District and Rick Stephens, Truckee Tahoe Airport District

By: Phil Gamick

Second: Alex Medveczky

Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain

Motion Carries

3. California Special District Board of Directors Election- election for the Sierra Network Seat.

Motion: Authorize the General Manager to Submit the Ballot for California Special District Association Voting for Scott R. Hollbrook

By: Sara Schrichte

Second: Phil Gamick

Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain

Motion Carries

B. Sewer and Water Department – Jim King, Chief Plant Operator

- 1. Waste Water Flow Data – for May**
- 2. Fresh Water Flow Data – for May**

- 3. Operations and Maintenance Summary – activities during the month of April. Jim King reported the following:**

Operations WWTP

- ◆ The District received approval of the new discharge permit that will go into effect June 1, 2021.
- ◆ Began use of sludge drying beds.
- ◆ Sent out 8 sludge drying beds to the land fill.
- ◆ Completed preparations on the ski hill for spray irrigation.

Operations Water Treatment Plant

- ◆ Removed fire hydrant from before the bridge by the Soda Springs Ski Area for the upcoming bridge modifications.
- ◆ Conducted a visual inspection of the old cement water tank located just below Mid Mountain Lodge at Sugar Bowl.
- ◆ Began use of the new motorized pallet jack at the FWTP.

Repairs and Maintenance WWTP

- ◆ Replaced the fuel pump on the portable lift station generator.
- ◆ Replaced the failed spool on membrane Train 2.

Repairs and Maintenance WTP

- ◆ Received delivery of the spare blower for the plant.
- ◆ Removed old layer of anthracite coal from filter 2 and received delivery of replacement coal.

Laboratory

- ◆ Continued river discharge testing.

C. Monthly Safety Committee Meeting Minutes, Month of May.

Motion: Accept the Safety Committee Meeting Minutes for May

By: Alex Medveczky

Second: Phil Gamick

Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain

Motion Carries

9. Resolutions:

1. Resolution 2021-05 of the Donner Summit Public Utility District Establishing Appropriation Limits for the 2020/2021 Fiscal Year

Motion: Adopt Resolution 2021-05 of the Donner Summit Public Utility District Establishing Appropriation Limits for the 2020/2021 Fiscal Year, with the Date Corrected to read, “Passed and Adopted, this 15th day of June 2021

By: Sara Schrichte
Second: Alex Medveczky

Roll Call Vote

Bob Sherwood	-	Absent
Phil Gamick	-	Aye
Cathy Preis	-	Aye
Alex Medveczky	-	Aye
Sara Schrichte	-	Aye

Motion Carries

- 10. Correspondence:** Email from Mitzi Hodges re: a dumpster for cardboard at the District facility. A discussion ensued. It was decided that there is nowhere to safely place a cardboard dumpster at the Donner Summit Public Utility District’s facility.
- 11. Closed Session: Pursuant to California Government Code 54957(b)(1) –Review selected applicants for the position of General Manager.** President Preis announced the Board would be going into Closed Session Pursuant to California Government Code 54957(b)(1). Review selected applicants for the position of General Manager. The Board went into Closed Session at 7:02PM. The Board came out of Closed Session at 7:13PM. Direction was given to legal counsel. No action was taken.
- 12. Informational:** In accordance with Government Code Section 54954.2(a), Directors may make brief announcements or brief reports on their own activities (concerning the District). They may ask questions for clarification make a referral to staff or take action to have staff place a matter of business on a future agenda.

13. Adjournment:

Motion: Adjourn Meeting at 7:16 p.m.
By: Alex Medveczky
Second: Phil Gamick
Vote: 4 Ayes, 0 Noes, 1 Absent, 0 Abstain

Motion Carries

Schedule of Upcoming Meetings

Special Meeting, Budget Adoption – June 22, 2021
Regular Meeting – July 20, 2021
Regular Meeting – August 17, 2021

Respectfully Submitted,

Deleane Mehler
Administrative Assistant