



SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

David Peterson, President
Nick Haven, Director

BOARD MEMBERS
Shane Romsos, Vice President

Kelly Sheehan, Director
Nick Exline, Director

Paul Hughes, General Manager

Andrea Salazar, Chief Financial Officer

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS SOUTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT November 7, 2024 MINUTES

The South Tahoe Public Utility District Board of Directors met in a regular session, 2:00 p.m., at the District Office, located at 1275 Meadow Crest Drive, South Lake Tahoe, California.

ROLL CALL: Board of Directors: President Peterson, Directors Haven, Romsos, Sheehan, Exline
Staff: Paul Hughes, Andrea Salazar, Ryan Jones, Melonie Guttry, Shannon Chandler, Julie Ryan, Chris Skelly, Vincent Stagnaro, Greg Dupree, Ryan Lee, Heidi Baugh, Megan Colvey, Liz Kauffman, Adrian Combes, Brenlyn Borley, Brian Bartlett, Ross Cole, Laura Hendrickson, Lauren Benefield

1. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:**
2. **COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC:** None
3. **CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA OR CONSENT CALENDAR:** None
4. **ADOPTION OF CONSENT CALENDAR:**
Moved Romsos/Second Haven/Peterson Yes/Haven Yes/Romsos Yes/Sheehan Yes/Exline Yes to approve the Consent Calendar as presented.
 - a. **SURPLUS EQUIPMENT**
(Heidi Baugh, Purchasing Agent and Cliff Bartlett, Vehicle & Heavy Equipment Supervisor)
Authorized GovDeals.com to auction South Tahoe Public Utility District surplus at a public online sale.
 - b. **SEPTEMBER 30, 2024, FISCAL YEAR TO DATE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**
(Andrea Salazar, Chief Financial Officer)
Received and filed the September 30, 2024, Income Statement and Balance Sheet Reports.
 - c. **RECEIVE AND FILE PAYMENT OF CLAIMS** (Greg Dupree, Accounting Manager)
Received and filed Payment of Claims in the amount of \$3,622,666.08
 - d. **REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES: OCTOBER 17, 2024**
(Melonie Guttry, Executive Services Manager/Clerk of the Board)
Approved October 17, 2024, Minutes

5. **CONSENT ITEMS BROUGHT FORWARD FOR SEPARATE DISCUSSION/ACTION:** None
6. **PRESENTATION:** **Chris Skelly** presented the Municipal Information Systems Association of California Award of Excellence to the District, explaining the qualifications for this award. This is the 11th consecutive year the District has received this award, 12th year overall. The Board congratulated staff on receiving this award again this year.

7. **STANDING AND AD-HOC COMMITTEES AND LIAISON REPORTS:**

Director Exline reported he attended the Recycled Water Strategic Planning public meeting.

8. **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS:**

None

9. **STAFF/ATTORNEY REPORTS:**

Melonie Guftry provided an elections update reporting that **Kelly Sheehan** has been re-elected to her seat for a four-year term and **Joel Henderson** appears to be the successful candidate elected for a four-year term to the seat being vacated by **David Peterson**. The results are unofficial as of now and will be updated by El Dorado County each Friday, until the results are confirmed. The two Board Members will take their Oath of Office at the December 5th Board meeting and will begin their term on Friday, December 6, 2024.

Ryan Lee provided an update regarding a new regulation from the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding the elimination of lead pipes in water service lines. The District is working with the Water Resources Control Board and the Department of Drinking Water (DDW) regarding the State of California's requirements. Although the District has never seen lead lines in its service inventory, it is responsible for sending information to all customers to confirm this. The District will be sending a letter written by the DDW, which includes specifics on next steps including receiving more information from the state. More information will be shared at the Operations Committee as we move through the process. **Ryan Lee** and **Paul Hughes** addressed questions from the Board and **Ryan Lee** detailed a new page which will be added to the District website soon, including an action plan, regulatory requirements, and a Frequently Asked Questions sheet.

10. **GENERAL MANAGER REPORT:**

Paul Hughes provided details regarding a meeting he and staff had with **Mike Vollmer**, the Executive Director for the Tahoe Resource Conservation District to get an update regarding their proposed meadow restoration project. In addition, they discussed collaboration on future projects to help access grant funds. The Operations Committee will be updated on the meadow restoration project as it moves forward.

11. **NOTICE OF PAST AND FUTURE MEETINGS/EVENTS**

12. **BREAK AND ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:** 2:29 p.m.

President Peterson recused himself at 2:30 p.m.

RECONVENE TO OPEN SESSION: 4:07 p.m.

- a. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6(a)/Conference with Labor Negotiators re: Memorandum of Understanding with Stationary Engineers, Local 39.

Present at this Closed Session will be Agency Negotiators: Paul Hughes, General Manager; Andrea Salazar, Chief Financial Officer; Liz Kauffman, Human Resources Director.

No reportable Board Action

- b. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6(a)/Conference with Labor Negotiators re: Memorandum of Understanding with Management Group. Present at this Closed Session will be Agency Negotiators: Paul Hughes, General Manager; Andrea Salazar, Chief Financial Officer; Liz Kauffman, Human Resources Director.

No reportable Board Action

ADJOURNMENT: 4:08 p.m.



David Peterson, Board President
South Tahoe Public Utility District



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