

CALAVERAS PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

March 19, 2019

Special Meeting

7:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: John Lavaroni
J.W. Dell’Orto
Clifford Overmier
Alan (Bill) Claudino
Richard Blood

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

STAFF PRESENT: Donna Leatherman, District Manager
Kate Jesus, Administrative Account Assistant
Bret Beaudreau, Water System Superintendent
Gary Ghio, Weber, Ghio & Associates, District Engineer

OTHERS PRESENT: None

1. ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: The regular meeting was called to order by Director Overmier at 7:00pm. Director Lavaroni, Overmier, Dell’Orto, Blood and Claudino were present.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limit 3 minutes per person/15 minutes per subject): None

3. PRESENTATION: PROPOSED RATE RECOMMENDATION:

a. Discuss Rate Recommendations and Provide Feedback to Staff: Director Overmier and Director Blood presented a rate recommendation to the Board for review which included a decrease in the annual operating budget, two years of capital improvement projects using reserves, and the capital outlay to be recovered from the rates. The Committee proposal also included the possibility of another rate increase evaluation after the first two years.

The Manager presented the staff recommendation which included an increase of the annual operating budget consistent with the past three years and a decrease in the capital improvement projects. Both proposals recommend the use of reserve funds for capital improvement projects to offset the impacts of the proposed rates.

Director Blood expressed his concerns of the capital improvement plans to include a more defined outline. The Staff and Ad Hoc Committee would continue to work on the capital improvement plan to include more well-defined project descriptions at the next Ad Hoc Committee meeting on April 2, 2019. The Board discussed the other public concerns including the availability of a rate assistance program, addressing water loss, and grant funding.

The Board recommended staff to move forward with the staff rate proposal. Staff was further directed to prepare the 2019 Draft Cost of Service Study for presentation at the April 16, 2019 Board meeting.

4. ADJOURNMENT (Next Regular Meeting April 16, 2019): As there was no further business to come before the Board, the meeting was adjourned at 8:25 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kate Jesus, Administrative Account Assistant