



MINUTES

NORTH TAHOE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT Via teleconference

Tuesday, January 10, 2023, at 2:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER/ESTABLISH QUORUM

The regular meeting of the North Tahoe Public Utility District Board of Directors was held on Tuesday, January 10, 2023 at 2:02 p.m. via teleconference. The Directors in attendance were Directors Hughes, Daniels, Thompson, Director Mourelatos, and President Coolidge. District Staff in attendance included General Manager Johnson, Chief Financial Officer Van Cleave, Utility Operations Manager Fischer, Engineering and Operations Manager Pomroy, Human Resources Manager Lazzareschi, Public Information Officer Broglio, and Administrative Liaison Moga. District Legal Counsel Nelson was also present. The pledge of allegiance was recited. There were no changes to the agenda.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTIONS (2:00 p.m.): There were no requests for public comment.

MANAGEMENT TEAM INFORMATIONAL UPDATES:

Tahoe-Truckee Sanitation Agency (T-TSA) Report – No report this month.

Recreation & Parks Commission Report – GM Johnson noted he is available to answer questions.

General Manager/CEO Report – GM Johnson highlighted items from his report. He provided an update of the omnibus bill and potential funding for fire flow projects.

In response to Coolidge's inquiry, GM Johnson noted Placer County Water Authority (PCWA) is both a purveyor of water in the western slope of Placer County and an agency with jurisdiction over the eastern slope of Placer County. They are having a grant application process with applications due in February to support the water purveyors on the eastern slope.

Public Information Officer Report – PIO Broglio provided highlights from his report. He provided a follow up regarding the surplus sale marketing and provided an update on the new website.

Accounting Department Report for the month ending October 31, 2022 – CFO Van Cleave provided highlights including a correction to her report.

Recreation, Parks, and Facilities Department Report – RPF Manager Oberacker provided highlights from her report.

The Board and Staff held a brief discussion regarding grooming for cross country in the Park. GM Johnson noted the Piston Bully Snowcat track attachment is for a single track. They discussed community partnerships and including community resources on the website. Director Mourelatos requested stewardship information be included in the activity guide.

Planning and Engineering Department Report – EOM Pomroy provided highlights from his report including new sewer spill regulations. Director Mourelatos requested a visual graphic on the Golden and Rainbow watermain project. In response to President Coolidge, EOM Pomroy spoke about UPPCCA reporting of projects that are currently in progress and completed.

Utility Operations Department Report – UOM Fischer provided highlights from his report. Director Thompson thanked the Ops Crew for identifying a leak under his cabin. The Board and Staff held a brief discussion about water loss. In response to Director Mourelatos inquiry about challenges with weather events, UOM Fischer spoke about power outages and I&I. Director Daniels congratulated the district on second lowest production year in 44 years.

Legal Report – Legal Counsel Nelson provided highlights of his reports.

Board Committee Reports – President Coolidge reported that the Finance and Personnel Committees support the consent calendar items. Director Mourelatos noted some graphs in the finance report don't change much in non-construction season.

CONSENT CALENDAR: *Consent Calendar items are routine items that are approved without discussion or comment. If an item requires discussion, it may be removed from the Consent Calendar prior to action.*

- Approve Accounts Paid and Payable for the period from December 13, 2022 – January 9, 2023
- Approve Regular Meeting Minutes of December 13, 2022
- Extend Resolution 2021-13 to Re-Authorize Virtual Public Meetings in Accordance with AB 361
- Adopt Resolution 2023-01 Establishing an Investment Policy for 2023
- Authorize Changes to the Incentive Certification Program for All Eligible Positions

MOTION: Director Thompson moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Hughes seconded the motion, which carried unanimously by roll call vote (5-0).

Receive a Presentation from the North Tahoe-Truckee Climate Transformation Alliance and Review, Discuss, and Possibly Authorize the NTPUD to Join the Alliance (Timed item 3:00 p.m.)

GM Johnson introduced the item. Christa Finn of Truckee Donner PUD and Meredith Anderson of the Sierra Business Council provided a PowerPoint Presentation.

Director Hughes spoke about it being Truckee centric with project priorities. Ms. Finn spoke about about expanding their charter and recruiting more members from your region.

In response to President Coolidge's request, GM Johnson spoke about the benefits of becoming a member of the CTA.

Director Thompson and Mourelatos questioned if this agency is duplicative to other agency models such as the Desert Research Institute. Additionally, they questioned the necessity of the District becoming a member and how it would fit into the District's mission and vision. They requested further discussion and education. Director Thompson expressed concern it will raise rates for customers. Ms. Anderson spoke about knowledge and resource sharing. Director Hughes spoke about community sustainability strategies. She added being at the table is a valuable tool.

GM Johnson stated it's important to be at the table as the priorities are being set and regional discussions with policymakers so we have a voice to discuss pursuit and allocation of resources so we have a say in. It doesn't cost or commit us for anything.

The board and staff discussed collaboration for a stronger regional voice.

GM Johnson noted upcoming regulatory requirements such as electrification of medium and heavy duty equipment. This regional partnership allows both offense in pursuit of grants and defense against regulation that may impact our operations. It is an opportunity to pool our resources. The District strategic plan set lofty goals – but we don't have the in-house tools or best practices to understand our carbon footprint. The Board stated they are interested in achieving climate related goals. This partnership is pragmatic approach to helping the District define the problem, set near term goals, and gain access to resources to help achieve. The District doesn't presently have capacity to do this in house. This partnership could help the District identify what we don't know and risk factors we aren't aware of.

Ms. Finn said we need members to share what you need. We are creating this together.

Director Mourelatos stated we have acted and committed in our strategic plan to be leaders. Our General Manager is requesting to join this organization. We should task our GM Johnson to define our position with greenhouse gases and if this relationship gets us there or not.

Directors Hughes stated she did a work session of climate challenges with the California Legislature. What this parenship does is get us a seat at the table. We still have to comply with coming regulations and there will still be impacts whether we join or not. The answers aren't all there at the moment. We need a stronger presence during the crafting of California legislation to ensure it is achievable in our region.

MOTION: Director Mourelatos moved to Authorize the NTPUD to Join the North Tahoe-Truckee Climate Transformation Alliance with regular updates and an annual review of our membership. The Board and Staff held a discussion regarding defining our own greenhouse gas emission needs and requested future discussions. Director Hughes seconded the motion which carried in favor by roll call vote (5-0).

The Board designated Director Hughes to attend the CTA meetings with Director Thompson as the alternate. Staff attending would include GM Johnson with PIO Broglio as back-up in case GM Johnson cannot attend.

**Review, Discuss, and Possibly Adopt Resolution 2023-02 in Appreciation for Human Resources Manager Sandra Lazzareschi upon her Retirement
(Timed item 4:00 p.m.)**

GM Johnson introduced the item.

The Board and Staff thanked and commended Sandra for her 21 years of service and dedication to the district.

MOTION: Director Hughes moved to adopt Resolution 2023-02 in Appreciation for Human Resources Manager Sandra Lazzareschi upon her Retirement. President Coolidge seconded the motion which carried unanimously in favor by roll call vote (5-0).

Review, Discuss, and Possibly Adopt the District's 2022-2028 Strategic Plan – Implementation Plan

GM Johnson introduced the item. The Board and Staff held a brief discussion regarding reviewing and amending the strategic plan as needed.

President Coolidge congratulated the Board and Staff on this effort.

MOTION: Director Mourelatos moved to adopt Adopt the District's 2022-2028 Strategic Plan – Implementation Plan as presented. Director Daniels seconded the motion which carried unanimously in favor by roll call vote (5-0).

BOARD COMMENTS – Director Thompson reminded the Board that the Form 700 is due April 1, 2023.

The Board and Staff discussed honoring late General Manager Hassenplug. GM Johnson noted we are communicating with the family on the appropriate way to honor and celebrate John Hassenplug.

President Coolidge noted the North Tahoe Alliance will host a joint meeting on February 15, 2023 with TBID, Zone 1 Committee, TOT, and CAP committee to streamline grant process.

LONG RANGE CALENDAR – GM Johnson highlighted the pancake breakfast, spring activity guide, and upcoming movie night featuring Frozen.

The board convened into NTPUD Building Corporation meeting at 4:59 p.m.

NORTH TAHOE BUILDING CORPORATION MEETING

CALL TO ORDER/ESTABLISH QUORUM – Board members present included: Director Mourelatos, Hughes, Thompson, Daniels, and President Coolidge

PUBLIC COMMENTS AND QUESTIONS: There were no requests for public comment.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE JANUARY 11, 2022 MEETING OF THE NORTH TAHOE BUILDING CORPORATION

MOTION: Director Hughes moved to approve the Minutes of the January 11, 2022 meeting of the North Tahoe Building Corporation. President Coolidge seconded the motion which carried unanimously in favor by roll call vote (5-0).

ELECTION OF OFFICERS FOR 2023 - GM Johnson introduced the item.

MOTION: Director Mourelatos moved to nominate the same officers as those serving for the District in 2023 with those being President Coolidge, Vice President Daniels, and Secretary Hughes. Director Thompson seconded the motion which carried unanimously in favor by roll call vote (5-0).

ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-01 ESTABLISHING AN INVESTMENT POLICY FOR 2023

MOTION: Director Daniels moved to adopt Resolution 2023-01 establishing an investment policy for 2023. Director Hughes seconded the motion which carried unanimously in favor by roll call vote (5-0).

BOARD OF DIRECTOR'S COMMENTS – There were no comments.

ADJOURNMENT AND RECONVENE AS NTPUD BOARD OF DIRECTORS at 5:04 p.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT AND QUESTIONS – There were no requests for public comment.

The Board went into a closed session at 5:05 p.m.

CLOSED SESSION

- **PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION** – Pursuant to Section 54957. Title: Chief Financial Officer
- **CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS** – Pursuant to Section 54957.6. Agency Designated Representative: Sarah Coolidge, President. Unrepresented Employee: Chief Financial Officer

There was no reportable action taken during closed session.

ADJOURNMENT - There being no further business to come before the Board, the meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.