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TO: Utilities Advisory Committee

FROM: Laura Durban, Administrative Services Manager

SUBJECT: Agenda Item 3 – 11/17/2021 UAC Meeting Approve Prior Meeting Minutes

DESCRIPTION

Attached are the minutes of the Utilities Advisory Committee (UAC) meeting held October 20, 2021 for your review and approval.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommend that the Utilities Advisory Committee adopt the following Motion:

Motion: I move that the Utilities Advisory Committee approve the minutes of the UAC meeting held October 20, 2021.

Attachment 10/20/2021 Utilities Advisory Committee Minutes

DRAFT - Minutes of the Utilities Advisory Committee Meeting October 20, 2021 at 5:30 p.m. at the District Office

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION	FOLLOW-UP
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1. Call to Order and Roll Call	Chairperson Cesena called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. <u>Roll Call</u> : James Bishop, Committee Member – Absent Jan Harper, Committee Member – Present Leonard Moothart, Committee Member – Present Matthew Fourcroy, Vice Chairperson – Absent Chuck Cesena, Chairperson – Present <u>Staff</u> : Ron Munds, General Manager Laura Durban, Administrative Services Manager Margaret Falkner, Utility Systems Manager	
2. Approve UAC Minutes of September 15, 2021	Chairperson Cesena presented the minutes for approval. Public Comment – None	Action – File approved minutes.
	Committee Member Harper moved to approve the meeting minutes of September 15, 2021. The motion was seconded by Committee Member Moothart and carried with unanimous consent.	
3. Basin Management Committee Update	General Manager Munds provided a presentation on the sustainable yieldx Methodology discussing two recommended changes to the assumptions.	Action - None
	Committee Member Moothart inquired how far the seawater intrusion can go under the current circumstances.	
	General Manager Munds commented that it is hard to tell, but the BMC will be moving to a transient model will be a better tool estimate the location of the seawater intrusion front.	
	Committee Member Harper asked General Manager Munds if he was comfortable with the changes.	
	General Manager Munds responded that the recommendation aligns better with the metrics and the transient model will be a step into better technology.	
	The Committee discussed the Basin Management Committee updates. Chairperson Cesena commented on bringing agriculture into the	
	discussion; mentioned a New Times article that left impressions that things are getting worse.	
	General Manager Munds responded that things are not as dire as the article presented, the facts are that things are better but we do need to be looking at a Plan B.	
	Public Comment – None	
4. Utility Department Report	Utility Systems Manager Falkner presented an overview which is available on the District website.	Action – None
	Committee Member Moothart inquired if the water conservation message is getting out to the Public; about the restrictors Golden State Water is placing on customer lines; if there is a minimum run time to keep Palisades viable.	
	Utility Systems Manager Falkner responded that the District is doing what can be done to promote conservation; that the Crew runs Palisades well at a minimum to insure they are able to do sampling.	

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	General Manager Munds responded that Golden States outreach regarding water restrictors is a common water agency threat to encourage conservation; commented that if the BMC approves the new Sustainable Yield Calculation, the District will have to decrease pumping the 8 th Street Well.	
	Chairperson Cesena commented on the Flume device and rebate; inquired what comes next for conservation programs if the drought continues.	
	General Manager Munds responded there would be more enforcement, set allocations and penalties.	
	Public Comment – None	
5. Utilities Department Update	General Manager Munds reported on the Program C Well Project; 8th Street Upper Aquifer Well; 16 th Street South Tank Project; upcoming work projects such as the CIP Five Year Program Update, Water Rate Study, Water Conservation Program Update, Water Shortage Contingency Plan Review.	<u>Action</u> – None
	Chairperson Cesena inquired as to if there is money to proceed with the Program C Well.	
	Committee Member Moothart inquired what impact does the County Planning have on the District's plan to proceed with the Program C Well; about the water rate study	
	Vice Chairperson Fourcroy inquired if there was anything concerning the Wells that the District should be more proactive about to avoid issues.	
	General Manager Munds responded that the District has the funding to proceed with or without the grant for the Program C Well; that the environmental work can hold up the permit has already been completed, and he will learn more in a meeting on Tuesday; commented on the use of spreadsheet created from a previous water rate study and work with the billing program to obtain more data; that he is working on an annual well maintenance program.	
	Public Comment - None	
6. Public Comments on Items NOT on this Agenda	Public Comment - None	Action – None
7. Schedule Next UAC Meeting	The next meeting of the Utilities Advisory Committee is scheduled to be held on Wednesday, November 17, 2021 at 5:30 p.m., unless otherwise noticed.	
8. Closing Comments by UAC Committee Members	Committee Member Moothart thanked the staff for the hard work. Chairperson Cesena thanked General Manager Munds for all he is doing and the importance of being out in the Community.	
9. Adjournment	The meeting adjourned at 6:20 p.m.	