Trinity Public Utilities District MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD December 7, 2021

Location:

Trinity Center I.O.O.F Hall

20 Scott Blvd., Trinity Center, CA

Board Present:

Alex Cousins, Kelli Gant, Andrew Johnson and Michael Rourke

Board Absent:

Richard Morris

Others Present:

Paul Hauser and Sarah Sheetz

1. President Rourke called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda Order

Director Cousins made a motion to approve the Agenda Order. Director Gant seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes:

Alex Cousins, Kelli Gant, Andy Johnson and Michael Rourke

Noes:

None

Absent:

Richard Morris

Abstain:

None

3. Presentation and Discussion on Proposed Rate Restructuring

Mr. Hauser provided a presentation on the proposed Rate Restructuring. At the conclusion of the presentation, President Rourke invited questions and comments from those in attendance.

The Board received comments and questions on the following items that were discussed in more detail at the meeting:

- The potential of undergrounding Trinity PUD's powerlines to reduce fire risk (the estimated order of magnitude cost is \$350,000,000). The possibility of undergrounding just one mile per year, which would result in a project duration of 700 years.
- The Service Charge for residents who have a garage metered separately, and whether the discount on the Service Charge would still be offered for noncommercial structures billed at the commercial rate.
- Whether or not the District has seen an increase in power theft in recent years.
- The lifespan of Trinity Dam and whether or not the District has begun making plans for the potential demise of Trinity Dam and/or the storage capacity behind the Dam.
- The condition and potential lifespan of the line under Trinity Lake.

- The duration of the District's contracts with the Western Area Power Administration, for which the renewal process has already begun for the 2024-2054 term.
- Whether or not the District continues to have the ability to island the system at Trinity Dam, as it did during the Carr Fire. Mr. Hauser explained that the District does have this ability and improvements have even been made at the Dam to make the process simpler if needed in the future.
- Appreciation was expressed for the District's response during outages.

4. Adjournment

There being no further business, President Rourke adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

Michael Rourke, President