

Trinity Public Utilities District
MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD
October 13, 2022

Location: Trinity Public Utilities District Community Room
26 Ponderosa Lane, Weaverville, California
Board Present: Amanda Barragar, Alex Cousins Nicholas Goulette, Andrew Johnson,
Michael Rourke
Board Absent: None
Others Present: Paul Hauser, Julie Catanese, Sarah Sheetz, Mike Garcia, David DeLange,
Dale Miller, Dick Morris, Jessica Nelson, Jill Cox and James Aven

1. President Rourke called the meeting to order at 2:06 p.m.

2. Approval of the Agenda Order

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

Ayes: Alex Cousins, Nick Goulette, Andy Johnson, Mike Rourke
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

3. Administer Oath of Office as a Director to Amanda Barragar

Ms. Sheetz administered the Oath of Office to Director Barragar.

4. Presentation of Resolution in Appreciation of Dick Morris

President Rourke presented Resolution No. 22-07 in appreciation of Dick Morris for his more than forty years of service to the Trinity Public Utilities District.

5. Presentation by Jessica Nelson, Golden State Power Cooperative

Jessica Nelson, General Manager of Golden State Power Cooperative, provided a presentation to the Board on the role Golden State Power Cooperative and recent legislative actions affecting rural utilities in the State of California.

6. Public Input

None

7. Consent Calendar

Director Goulette made a motion to approve the Consent Calendar. Director Cousins seconded the motion. Director Johnson requested that Item 7d be pulled. The motions were amended to exclude Item 7d. The Consent Calendar included:

- a. Approve Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting September 8, 2022
- b. Approve Minutes of the Safety Meeting September 13, 2022
- c. Validate Bills of September, 2022
- d. Approve Financial Reports for August, 2022
- e. Approve Electric Service Contract with Mohibullah Nabizadah for a line extension at 181 Oliva Drive in Hayfork
- f. Validate Denial of Claim, Kathy Bauman, Hayfork
- g. Validate Denial of Claim, Leanna Stillwell, Hayfork

The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes: Amanda Barragar, Alex Cousins, Nick Goulette, Andy Johnson,
Mike Rourke
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

8. Action Items

- a. Items Pulled from Consent Calendar
None

7d. Director Johnson inquired about how much of the Weaverville 1102 Reconductor Project was included in the Cash Flow Report for the two months ended August 31, 2022. Ms. Catanese responded that no project expenses for the 1102 Reconductor Project are included in the Report, but that they would be next month. Director Johnson inquired about the Bond Series A payments. Ms. Catanese responded that payment will also be reflected in next months financials. Director Cousins made a motion to approve the Financial Reports for August 2022. Director Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following voice vote:

Ayes: Amanda Barragar, Alex Cousins, Nick Goulette, Andy Johnson, Mike Rourke
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

- b. Adopt Resolution 22-12 in Appreciation of Kelli Gant

Mr. Hauser reviewed the report with the Board. Following a discussion, Director Cousins made a motion to Adopt Resolution 22-12 in Appreciation of Kelli Gant. Director Goulette seconded the motion. The motion passed with the following roll call vote:

Amanda Barragar - Aye
Alex Cousins - Aye
Nicholas Goulette - Aye
Andrew Johnson - Aye
Michael Rourke - Aye

9. Reports:

- a. Wildfire Mitigation Plan (WMP) Reporting Metrics Update

Mr. DeLange summarized the Report, attached and incorporated herein.

- b. General Managers Reports:

- Land Exchange

Mr. Hauser thanked Director Cousins for initiating conversations with Mike Dixon, Executive Director of the Trinity River Restoration Project, who has an interest in utilizing the Sky Ranch parcel once the Land Exchange is complete. Mr. Hauser advised that he is currently negotiating with a consultant for a Phase 2 Environmental Assessment.

- Balancing Authority of Northern California (BANC)

Mr. Hauser advised that the State came very close to rolling black-outs in September. The State issued a Flex Alert to Californians via their cell phones which was a prevailing factor in avoiding rolling blackouts.

- Power Outages

Mr. Hauser reviewed the Report, attached and incorporated herein.

- Right-of-Way (ROW) Project Update

Mr. Hauser advised that the parties are developing a plan to address the visual impact analysis as requested by the United States Forest Service and the Bureau of Land Management. The analysis will be specific to the river view corridor.

Director Cousins inquired about the potential to include undergrounding of powerlines, as an option where feasible, in the NEPA document, in the event that the District is able to successfully obtain funding for undergrounding projects.

- CAL OES/FEMA –
Ms. Catanese reported that the District received reimbursements in the amount of \$798,000 for the 2021 Winter Storms, and \$685,000 for the Monument Fire.

c. Committee Reports

- Ad-hoc Forestry Committee
No report
- Ad-hoc Public Communications Committee
No report

d. Board Member Reports

Director Goulette inquired about the consulting contract with Tom Walz. Mr. Hauser advised that the primary reason is the Right of Way Project, and that Mr. Walz has been incredibly valuable in negotiations with the Bureau of Land Management and the United States Forest Service, in particular when it comes to timber valuation.

10. Discussion Items

None

11. Communications Received

None

12. Meetings and/or Workshops

None

The Board took a brief recess at 3:15 p.m., and entered into closed session at 3:25 p.m. The Board reconvened in open session at 4:55 p.m. and reported the following:

13. Closed Session

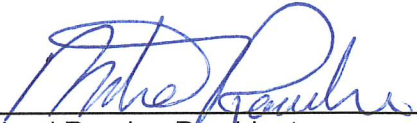
- a. Closed Session Item Under Government Code §54956.9
Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
Claimant: Rory Barrett
No Reportable Action
- b. Closed Session Item Under Government Code §54956.9
Conference with Legal Counsel – Anticipated Litigation
One Potential Case
The Board authorized Denial of the Claim
- c. Closed Session Item Under Government Code §54957.6
Conference with Labor Negotiator
The Board approved an increase to the General Managers pay from \$9,366.60 to \$10,115.93 per pay period retroactive to his anniversary date of September 6, 2022.

14. Public Input

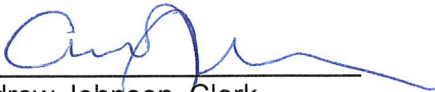
None

15. Adjournment

There being no further business, President Rourke adjourned the meeting at 4:57 p.m.



Michael Rourke, President

ATTEST: 

Andrew Johnson, Clerk

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**Wildfire Mitigation Efforts
2022 - Report to Date (10/31/2022)**

Annual Pole Inspection Data

Patrol Inspection - all poles 1x every 2 years (target is 6,000/year)
Intrusive Inspection - due at 15 years, then 20 year interval if passes (target 1,000/year)

Date	GOAL TO DATE	1/1/2022 - 10/31/2022 COMPLETED
Inspections	5098	2,472
Intrusives	4520	2,052
Poles Reported Damaged		333
Work Orders Completed		239

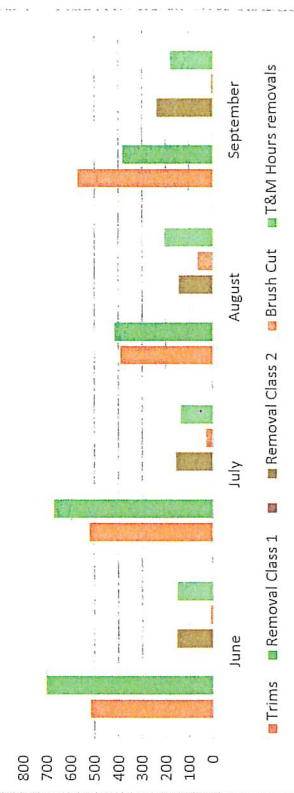
Inspections and Intrusives



	SILVERTOP TREE SERVICE				
	June	July	August	September	October
Trims	519	524	394	577	563
Removal Class 1	704	672	418	385	390
Removal Class 2	155	159	147	241	185
Brush Cut	11	31	65	9	28
T&M Hours removals	153	139	209	184	144

PRC 4292 Pole Clearing		Watkins tree service	
Total needed	917	3 Days Hazard tree removal	
Completed to date	917	3 Crews	
Retreated	141	Red Hill, Shady Creek	
~4.8 miles of ROW		Brushing/Chipping	\$26,624.00

Trees By The Numbers



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OUTAGE SUMMARY

OCTOBER 10 - OCTOBER 31, 2022

OUTAGE NAME	OUTAGE	TIME OUT	TIME ON	DURATION	SUB	# OUT	CAUSE
STEINER FLAT	219229	10/20/2022 8:00	10/20/2022 12:00	4:00	Douglas City	9	Maintenance
EAST WEAVER CK RD.	219180	10/14/2022 10:32	10/14/2022 14:02	3:29	Mill Street	17	Contractor caused/water