

5 **DRAFT MINUTES**
6 **Regular Meeting of August 7, 2023**
7 **At District Office: 304 N. State Street, Ukiah, CA 95482**

8 **1. Roll Call**

9 Vice President White called the meeting to order at 5:37 PM.

10 Trustees Present: Christopher Watt, President
11 Alfred White, Vice President
12 John Bailey, Treasurer
13 John Reardan, Trustee

14 Trustees Absent: Tyler Rodrigue, Trustee

15 Staff: Elizabeth Salomone, General Manager

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19 **2. Approval of Agenda**

20 Trustee Reardan moved to approve the agenda. Treasurer Bailey seconded the motion. The motion was
21 approved by the following vote:

22 Ayes: 4 (Reardan, Bailey, White, Watt)
23 Absent: 1 (Rodrigue)

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25 **3. Public Expression**

26 No one indicated interest in speaking.

27 **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

28 **4. Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget and Rate Setting**

29 Treasurer Bailey and GM Salomone presented the item. The basic operational costs of the District have
30 increased, and a shortfall was projected based on the revenue generated from the \$47 per acre foot rate in
31 place since 2009. An allocation of \$250,000 is recommended to address water supply reliability issues.

32 The Board discussed using a combination of a price per acre foot rate increase and the use of reserves to
33 meet the projected 2023 deficit as summarized below:

34 Expenses: \$761,700
35 Revenue: \$567,906

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37 Use of Reserves: \$200,000

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39 Water Rate for 2023: \$68 per acre foot

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41 Total increase from \$47 to \$68 = \$21 per acre foot
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Vice President White moved to approve Resolution #23-03 Approving Fiscal Year 2023-23 Budget with revenue in the amount of \$567,906, expenses in the amount of \$761,700, and the use of Reserves in the amount of \$200,000, setting the rate per acre foot at \$68 for the 2023 contract year. Trustee Reardan seconded the motion. The motion was approved by a roll call vote:

- Ayes: 4 (Reardan, Bailey, White, Watt)
- Absent: 1 (Rodrigue)

REGULAR BUSINESS, INFORMATION, AND REPORT ITEMS

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5. Water Supply Conditions Update - no comments or questions were received.

6. Consent Calendar

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- a) Acceptance of the July 2023 Financial Report
- b) Approval of July 18, 2023 Special Board Meeting minutes
- c) Approval of Policy #23-01 Regarding Revising Policy #18-01 on Bank Account Balances and Investment Options.

Vice President White moved to approve the Consent Calendar. Treasurer Bailey seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the following vote:

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- Ayes: 4 (Reardan, Bailey, White, Watt)
- Absent: 1 (Rodrigue)

7. Trustee & Committee Reports

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President Watt reviewed a press release that was issued only hours prior to the Board Meeting titled “Regional Partners Submit Proposal to Preserve Potter Valley Diversion and Fish Passage Options,” the press release notes that Mendocino County Inland Water and Power Commission, Round Valley Indian Tribes, and Sonoma County Water Agency submitted a proposal to advance a regional solution for preserving flows in the Russian River and improving Eel River fisheries.

8. General Manager Report & Correspondence -no comments or questions were received.

9. Direction on Future Agenda Items

- District involvement in the proposed new entity related to the proposal submitted to PG&E.
- Fiscal Year End Reports (October)
- General Manager Evaluation

ADJOURNMENT

Vice President White moved to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 PM. Trustee Rodrigue seconded the motion. The motion was approved by the following vote:

- Ayes: 4 (Reardan, Bailey, White, Rodrigue)
- Absent: 1 (Watt)

APPROVED by Board of Trustees on September 11, 2023

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President of the Board of Trustees

Secretary of the Board of Trustees

President <i>Christopher Watt</i>	Vice President <i>Alfred White</i>	Treasurer <i>John Bailey</i>	Trustee <i>Tyler Rodrigue</i>	Trustee <i>John Reardan</i>
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