

Special Meeting

5:00 pm

DIRECTORS PRESENT: J.W. Dell'Orto  
Richard Blood  
Brady McCartney (Remote)  
Jack Tressler (Remote)

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Kevin Sparks

STAFF PRESENT: Travis Small, General Manager  
Adam Brown, District Legal Counsel (Remote)

OTHERS PRESENT: None

1. CALL THE MEETING TO ORDER: The special meeting was called to order by Vice-President Blood at 5:06 P.M.
2. ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS: Directors Dell'Orto, McCartney, and Blood were present. President Tressler was admitted 5:08 P.M.

Adam Brown, District Legal Counsel informed the Board that good cause exists to permit Director McCartney to attend the meeting remotely due to illness. Upon motion by Director Dell'Orto, seconded by Director Blood, to find good cause exists to permit Director McCartney to attend the meeting remotely, a roll call vote was taken. Directors Blood, Dell'Orto and McCartney voted yes, none opposed. The motion carried.

Adam Brown, District Legal Counsel, informed the Board that since President Tressler is working on the Park Fire, which is a declared State of Emergency, just cause existed for him to attend remotely. Upon motion by Director Dell'Orto, seconded by Director Blood, to find good cause exists to permit President Tressler to attend the meeting remotely, a roll call vote was taken. Directors Tressler, Blood, Dell'Orto and McCartney voted yes, none opposed. The motion carried.

President Tressler asked Vice-President Blood to continue presiding over the special meeting in his place.

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
4. PUBLIC COMMENT (Limit 3 minutes per person/15 minutes per subject): None
5. PUBLIC HEARING & CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION NO. 2024-10  
ADOPTING REPORT OF DELINQUENT UTILITY CHARGES AND

AUTHORIZING COLLECTION ON THE COUNTY TAX ROLL FOR TAX YEAR  
2023-2024

Vice-President Blood opened the hearing on Resolution No. 2024-10 and asked if any member of the public wished to comment. No member of the public was present. A motion was made by Director Dell'Orto, seconded by Director Tressler to approve Resolution No. 2024-10 adopting report of delinquent utility charges and authorizing collection on the County Tax Roll for Tax Year 2023-2024. A roll call vote was taken. Directors Dell'Orto, McCartney, Blood and Tressler voted yes; none opposed. Motion carried 4-0.

6. RESOLUTION OF THE CALAVERAS PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT BOARD OF  
DIRECTORS APPROVING AGREEMENT WITH UMPQUA BANK COMMERCIAL  
CARD PROGRAM

Mr. Small presented to the Board the proposed agreement with Umpqua Bank to provide purchasing cards to the District. The purchasing cards would allow District management to deploy plastic or digital cards for District business. These cards could also be issued to the Directors who participate in travel for District business. Director Blood asked if there was a way to make/restrict access to the cards for when the cards are not active. Mr. Small clarified that the cards could have available credit limits at zero when the user of the card is not conducting District business. The Board asked that after we submit the application to Umpqua Bank that we revisit the Credit Card Policy and then establish limits for individuals who travel for District business to ensure adequate controls. Mr. Small agreed to bring the Policy back to the board to further this discussion and to develop individual limits. The board asked if the limits can be changed by management or if there must be a request to Umpqua. Mr. Small informed the Board that management can adjust individual limits through the Umpqua servicing portal. A motion was made by Director McCartney, seconded by Director Tressler, to approve Resolution 2024-11 to Approve Agreement with Umpqua Bank Commercial Card Program. A roll call vote was taken. Directors Dell'Orto, McCartney, Blood, and Tressler voted yes; none opposed. Motion carried 4-0.

7. DIRECTORS COMMENTS

Director Blood made a comment regarding an effort to dissolve the Joint Powers Authority Calaveras Amador Mokelumne River Authority (CAMRA). Director Blood advised the other Directors that the effort is being pushed by the Calaveras County Water District (CCWD) and Amador Water Agency (AWA). The reasons for CAMRA to dissolved were that currently CAMRA is not in compliance with the Brown Act, there is no website, no audits, and no legal counsel. Mr. Small asked the District's legal Counsel Adam Brown to inform the Board of what the consequence would be for the district if the CAMRA does not come back into compliance. Mr. Brown stated that if the JPA is not in compliance, the responsibility could devolve on the members. Ideally, one or more of the Districts should step forward to host the website, audits, and legal. Mr. Small informed the board that he received notice regarding a water rights application on the Mokelumne River from San Joaquin County. The notice was for a preparation of an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the County's Mokelumne River Integrated Conjunctive Use Program (MICUP). The comments were due on July 31, 2024, at 4:30p.m. The water rights application is for a large recharge project that could divert up to 110,000 acre-feet of water per year during only wet years. The project listed almost all agencies in the lower watershed as partners in the project. Mr. Small informed the group that he provided comments

for the preparation of the scoping of the EIR to include looking into how MICUP impacts the county of origin's water rights for both Calaveras and Amador Counties. Mr. Small also suggested that the EIR look into the environmental impacts of doing water transfers from existing water rights holders in the upper basin. Mr. Small reiterated that this is only a comment letter for scoping of the EIR and it is not a full comment on a completed EIR.

8. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, Vice-President Blood adjourned the meeting at 5:24 pm.

Respectfully Submitted,



Carissa Bear, Secretary/Clerk of the Board

