

**SPECIAL MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
CITY OF ANGELS (COA),
UNION PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT (UPUD)
UTICA WATER AND POWER AUTHORITY (UWPA)
January 31, 2024**

THIS MEETING WILL BE HELD AT NATIVE SONS HALL, 389 Main Street Murphys, CA 95247

In-person public attendance will be available with limited seating. Seats are available on a first-come, first-served basis. Members of the public shall have the right to observe and offer public comment at the appropriate time.

CITY OF ANGELS (COA), CITY COUNCIL:

MAYOR Jennifer Herndon **(PRESENT)**

VICE MAYOR Isabel Moncada **(PRESENT)**

COUNCIL MEMBERS Alvin Broglio **(PRESENT ARRIVED 4:03 PM)**, Michael Chimente **(PRESENT)**,
Caroline Schirato **(PRESENT)**

CITY ADMINISTRATOR Rebecca Callen **(PRESENT)**

UNION PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT (UPUD), BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

PRESIDENT Eric Bottomley **(PRESENT)**

VICE PRESIDENT Greg Rasmussen **(PRESENT)**

SECRETARY Tom Quincy **(PRESENT)**,

TREASURER Bruce Tallakson **(PRESENT ARRIVED 4:03 PM)**,

DIRECTOR Ralph "Rocky" Chick **(PRESENT)**

GENERAL MANAGER Jessica Self **(PRESENT)**

UTICA WATER AND POWER AUTHORITY (UWPA), BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

CHAIR (Vacant)

VICE CHAIR Ralph "Rocky" Chick **(PRESENT)**

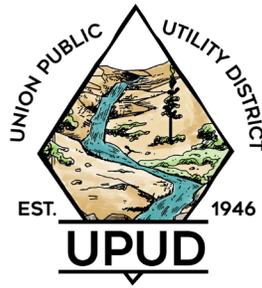
DIRECTORS Jennifer Herndon, Caroline Schirato, Greg Rasmussen, Gary Conrado **(ALL PRESENT)**

GENERAL MANAGER Joel Metzger **(PRESENT)**

4:00 PM REGULAR MEETING

1. ROLL CALL – **AS NOTED ABOVE**
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
3. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA AS POSTED (OR AMENDED)

ACTION: MOTION TO APPROVE THE AGENDA BY ANGELS CAMP MAYOR/UWPA CHAIR, JENNIFER HERNDON, SECONDED BY UPUD SECRETARY, TOM QUINCY, PASSED 11 YES



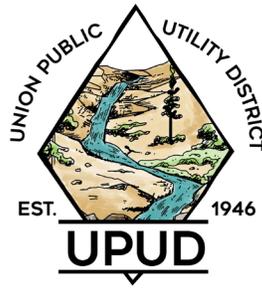
PUBLIC COMMENT: LARRY THOMPSON SPOKE ABOUT UWPA AND WHEN HE WAS A DIRECTOR. MICHAEL MINKLER, CCWD GENERAL MANAGER, SPOKE ABOUT HOW COLLABORATIVE PLANNING FOR THE COMMUNITY WATER RESOURCES IS INVALUABLE. MR. MINKLER IS LOOKING FORWARD TO CONTINUED PARTNERSHIPS WITH COA, UPUD, AND UWPA.

4. REGULAR AGENDA

- A. Historical Overview of Utica Water and Power Authority – ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION REGARDING THE AMOUNT OF WATER AVAILABLE, AND RELICENSING HYDRO PROJECTS WITH THE FEDERAL ENERGY REGULATORY COMMISSION (FERC), NO PUBLIC COMMENTS**
- B. Joint Powers Agreement (JPA) Review – ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION, QUESTIONS ON CREATION OF AN ADHOC, UWPA TO CREATE ADHOC, HAVING UWPA LEGAL REVIEW, AND INCLUDE COMMUNICATION WITH COA ADMINISTRATOR AND UPUD GENERAL MANAGER, NO PUBLIC COMMENT**
- C. Utica Financial Analysis – PRESENTATION BY UWPA GENERAL MANAGER AND ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION ON UWPA FINANCES SINCE JPA FORMATION IN 1995, NO PUBLIC COMMENT**
- D. Break - RECESS at 5:26 PM, RECONVIENED at 5:48 PM**
- E. Overview of Upcoming Rate Studies: COA and UPUD – ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION, WHAT DETERMINES MEMBER AGENCIES' WATER RATES, DISCUSSION REGARDING SETTING A FIXED CONTRIBUTION FOR UWPA TO RECEIVE FROM COA AND UPUD OVER A FIVE-YEAR PERIOD, NO PUBLIC COMMENT**
- F. Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Exemption Application Overview – ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION, UWPA FERC CONDUIT EXEMPTION APPLICATIONS AND TIMELINE EXPLAINED, COA AND UPUD PLAN TO PROVIDE RESOLUTIONS OF SUPPORT PRIOR TO MARCH 25, 2024, COMMENT DEADLINE, NO PUBLIC COMMENT**
- G. Joint Power Agreement (JPA) Communication and Joint Power Agreement Member – ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION,
WHAT IS WORKING: UWPA MANAGER ATTENDING COA AND UPUD MEETINGS, PARTNERING WITH OTHER AGENCIES IN THE COUNTY, JPA MANAGERS MEETING REGULARLY, DISCUSSION REGARDING WHEN FULL JPA WEIGH IN ON ISSUES, WATER RIGHTS, FERC EXEMPTION, LARGE GRANTS WITH LOCAL MATCH REQUIREMENTS, AMONG OTHER CONSEQUENTIAL PROJECTS/DECISION
REOCCURRING FULL JPA MEETINGS: DISCUSSION OF HOLDING MEETINGS ANNUALLY OR BIANNUALLY (JANUARY/JULY), AND ALSO AFTER AN ELECTION
WHEN TO CALL A SPECIAL MEETING: FOR BIG ITEMS THAT HAVE MAJOR IMPACT ON JPA MEMBERS, LESS OF A NEED FOR JOINT JPA MEETINGS IF FIXED CONTRIBUTIONS FROM JPA MEMBERS IS ESTABLISHED
DESIGNATED LIAISON: BIG ITEMS, UWPA MANAGER REPORT MAY PRESENT TO JPA MEMBERS QUARTERLY OR MAKE AN ANNUAL PRESENTATION
REGULAR REPORTING: JPA MEMBERS HAVE ACCESS TO UWPA'S MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORTS IN BOARD PACKETS, UWPA CAN PROVIDE ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AS REQUESTED, UWPA DIRECTORS BRING RESPECTIVE BOARD'S BUSINESS TO UWPA MEETINGS, NO PUBLIC COMMENT**
- H. Discussion / Direction From the Full Joint Power Agreement (JPA) to Staff – ROUND TABLE DISCUSSION REGARDING THE MEETING, NO PUBLIC COMMENT**

8. ADJOURNMENT

ACTION: MOTION TO ADJOURN THE MEETING AT 7:10 PM BY CITY OF ANGELS VICE MAYOR MONCADA, SECONDED BY UPUD VICE PRESIDENT / UWPA DIRECTOR GREG RASMUSSEN, PASSED 11 YES



Approved by the Utica Board of Directors at the March 26, 2024, meeting:

Ralph Chick

[Ralph Chick \(Mar 27, 2024 15:27 PDT\)](#)

Ralph Chick, Board Chair

Attest:

Stacie Walker

Stacie Walker, Board Clerk