

**SQUAW VALLEY PUBLIC SERVICE DISTRICT  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING MINUTES #856  
JUNE 25, 2019**

*Agenda with board packet and staff reports is available at the following link:*  
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**A. Call to Order, Roll Call and Pledge of Allegiance.** President Dale Cox called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m.

**Directors Present:** Directors: Dale Cox, Fred Ilfeld, Victoria Mercer and Eric Poulsen

**Directors Absent:** Director Bill Hudson

**Staff Present:** Thomas Archer, District Counsel; Jessica Asher, Board Secretary; Brandon Burks, Operations Superintendent; Mike Geary, General Manager; Danielle Grindle, Finance & Administration Manager; Dave Hunt, District Engineer; Allen Riley, Fire Chief.

**Others Present:** Bob Barnett; Nancy Bartusch; Dave Bennett; Susan Bennett; Sally Brew; Jon Chorey; Greg Davidson; Gate DeMattei; Randy Floyd; Karen Floyd; Kate Frankfurt; Charles Heath; Patty Heck; Jeff Hekemian; Janet Howes; Jean Lange; Sal Lucia; Ellen McGee; Daryl Metz; Sal Monforte; Bill Noble; Barbara Richnak; Chuck Schaller; Arleen Schaller; Robert O. Thomas; James Wawrzyniak

President Cox asked Dr. Bill Noble to lead the Pledge of Allegiance.

**B. Community Informational Items.**

**B-1** Friends of Squaw Creek (FOSC) – None.

**B-2** Friends of Squaw Valley (FOSV) – David Stepner stated the FOSV continues to support the Olympic Meadow Preserve (OMP) project.

**B-3** Squaw Valley Design Review Committee (SVDRC) – None.

**B-4** Squaw Valley Municipal Advisory Council (SVMAC) – None.

**B-5** Squaw Valley Mutual Water Company (SVMWC) – Mr. Burks provided an update. SVMWC is considering funding options for its capital replacement program. The next Board meeting is July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Pursuant to the backflow prevention program, SVMWC is requiring that backflow preventers are in place and tested annually.

**B-6** Squaw Valley Property Owners Association – None.

**B-7** Mountain Housing Council of Tahoe Truckee (MHC) – Director Poulsen noted that the quarterly meeting was June 14<sup>th</sup> and provided a brief summary of MHC's recent efforts.

**B-8** Tahoe-Truckee Sanitation Agency (T-TSA) – Director Cox provided an update. T-TSA has approved a new rate structure to collect fees via County tax rolls. The office remodel project has begun. All waste discharge requirements were met in May.

**B-9** Capital Projects Advisory Committee (CAP) – Ms. Grindle provided an update. The CAP committee recommended approximately \$2.4M in grant funds including the OMP project to the Placer County Board of Supervisors (BoS). The BoS is meeting to review recommendations and approve the funding this morning.

**B-10** Creekside Charter – None

**C. Public Comment/Presentation.**

Robert Owen Thomas asked when Squaw Valley Road pavement replacement was scheduled and noted that the road conditions are not acceptable. Mr. Geary responded that Kevin Taber at Placer County may be able to provide an update or direct Mr. Thomas to the right contact.

**D. Financial Consent Agenda Items.**

Directors Cox and Ilfeld convened with staff on June 24, 2019 from approximately 3:00 - 4:45 p.m. to review items D-1 through D-13, F-2, F-2A, F-2B, F-3, and F-4.

Director Ilfeld provided a summary, and recommended the Board approve the financial consent agenda (Items D-1 through D-13).

Public Comment – none

A motion to approve the financial consent agenda was made by Director Mercer and seconded by Director Ilfeld. The motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent

Ilfeld – Yes

Mercer – Yes

Poulsen – Yes

**E. Approve Minutes.**

**E-1 Minutes for the Board of Directors meeting of May 24, 2019.**

The Board reviewed the minutes, accepted public comment, and approved the minutes for the Board of Directors meeting of May 24, 2019.

Director Ilfeld requested that an explanation of each consultant's roles be added to the minutes for Item D – NHA agreement and E – Jones Hall Agreement.

Director Poulsen noted that he would abstain from approving the minutes as he was not in attendance due to a conflict of interest from an ownership interest in 325 Squaw Valley Road.

Public Comment – none

A motion to approve the minutes, as amended, for the Board of Directors meeting of May 24, 2019 was made by Director Mercer and seconded by Director Ilfeld. The motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent

Ilfeld – Yes

Mercer – Yes

Poulsen – Abstain

**E-2 Minutes for the Board of Directors meeting of May 28, 2019.**

The Board reviewed the minutes, accepted public comment, and approved the minutes for the Board of Directors meeting of May 28, 2019.

Public Comment – none

A motion to approve the minutes for the Board of Directors meeting of May 28, 2019 was made by Director Mercer and seconded by Director Ilfeld. The motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent

Ilfeld – Yes

Mercer – Yes

Poulsen – Yes

**F. Old & New Business.**

**F-1 PUBLIC HEARING: Community Facilities District No. 2019-1 (Olympic Meadow Preserve).**

The Board reviewed the item, held a public hearing, and accepted public comment relating to the formation of Community Facilities District (CFD) No. 2019-1 (Olympic Meadow Preserve), the levy of special taxes in the CFD, the incurrence of bonded indebtedness for the CFD, and the call for a special election for the CFD.

Director Poulsen left the room due to a conflict of interest from an ownership interest in the 325 Squaw Valley Road. Director Poulsen remained out of the room through Item F-2, the FY 2019-2020 Budget, as the budget includes funding for the Olympic Meadow Preserve (OMP).

Mike Geary, Greg Davidson, James Wawrzyniak and Charles Heath delivered a slideshow presentation.

Public Comment:

The public provided comment throughout the slideshow presentation; all public comment is reflected in this section of the minutes.

Susan Gibbs Bennet asked for clarification that the Board had already settled on “Scenario Four (4), Park Only.” Mr. Geary responded that was correct and that the existing structures would remain until the master planning process was completed.

Sal Lucia stated that he felt the price negotiated was based on its development potential, however Mr. Lucia feels that development is unlikely. Mr. Geary responded that the property was appraised for development potential, as a single-family residence, and for its conservation value and added that neither the Truckee Donner Land Trust nor the District can pay more than the appraised value.

Susan Gibbs Bennet asked who would own the property. Mike Geary responded that the District will own the property but that it is anticipated that the Land Trust will remain involved in the project and stewardship of the property.

Sal Lucia noted that many property owners are second homeowners and thus cannot vote in the tax measure. Mr. Heath responded that the correspondence on the project (mailers) have been sent to all property owners so that all homeowners are aware of the project and can come to board meetings to have their voice heard. California law requires that these measures are voted on by registered voters.

Randy Floyd stated that he does not feel additional parks or open space are needed in the Valley and stated that he does not believe the threat of development is sound. Mr. Floyd voiced concerns about the cost of the property.

Susan Gibbs Bennett said that she would like the property to be useful for the community and is a little dismayed that the cost does not include funding to provide access to the existing pool and structures.

Karen Floyd stated that she is hopeful the District represents both voters and property owners and does not feel that it is fiscally responsible to spend so much money on a park.

Robert Thomas asked by whom the initiative was brought forward. Director Ilfeld responded that the Friends of Squaw Valley group felt that Olympic Valley needed a balancing ying to the yang of the mountain and ski resort stating that there is currently no public access to Squaw Creek or the meadow. This opportunity would provide a unique and beautiful passive recreation space for residents and broader community. Dr. Ilfeld continued saying that about 25 landowners and stakeholders in the Valley discussed the acquisition in December and the Land Trust created a path forward. It would not have gained traction without the community support seen to date.

Robert Thomas asked about potential positive and negative outcomes of the Project. Mr. Thomas asked if there could be an eminent domain takeover and referenced that the Incorporate Olympic Valley (IOV) effort did not go through. Director Ilfeld responded that Alterra Mountain Company is in favor despite a large increase in their property taxes, and that Placer County endorsed acquisition of the property by approving \$1M in funding from Transient Occupancy Tax (TOT) revenues. This reveals that the two organizations that opposed and stopped IOV are in favor of acquiring the OMP.

Robert Thomas suggested the museum may be able to be on the land and suggested consolidation of projects. Director Mercer said that the museum is not interested.

Mr. Floyd responded that renters can influence the vote despite not paying property taxes and feels strongly that it is unfair second homeowners do not get to vote on the measure. Director Mercer said that second homeowners do have a say by attending these meetings.

Jon Chorey asked several questions. Mr. Chorey asked what percentage of the 600 voters in Olympic Valley are property owners. Director Ilfeld responded that the residential population is approximately 1,000. There are approximately 2,500 residential properties. Mr. Chorey asked for confirmation that the tax is a flat tax and is not based on a parcel's assessed value. Director Ilfeld confirmed that is correct. Mr. Chorey asked if the maximum bond issuance of \$17.5M includes interest. Mr. Davidson responded that \$17.5M is the maximum principal. Mr. Davidson responded that NHA advisors provided debt service rates at current and projected rates. Mr. Chorey asked what the bond rating for the Squaw Valley Public Service District is. Mr. Wawrzyniak responded that the District has not previously issued debt and as such does not yet have a rating. Mr. Davidson responded that since the proposed debt is secured by a lien on all properties within the Valley, he anticipates interest rates to be very low. Interest rates are forecasted conservatively (e.g., 5%); anticipated interest may be much lower. Mr. Chorey asked who decides whether it is placed on the ballot. Director Ilfeld responded that the three Board members at the meeting will make that decision today. Jon Chorey stated that he loves the idea and supports the project but has a lot of questions that are not yet answered. Mike Geary responded that \$17.5M is the maximum amount of bonds that can be sold but that the Land Trust and District are pursuing grants and private fundraising in order to lower the bond issuance amount. Greg Davidson provided an example of a bond issuance of \$14.8M resulting in total interest payments equal to \$14.6M. Ms. Asher said that it is anticipated the bond issuance will be approximately \$2M less than this. Mr. Davidson also said that the interest rate used in the example employs a conservative assumption.

Susan Gibbs Bennet said that this is a great opportunity to preserve land in the Valley and asked if there was possibility of having a road on the property. Mr. Geary responded that there is no road planned on the property. However, there is a separate discussion of a road along the golf course connecting the parking lot in the Village to the Resort at Squaw Creek, which could be used for emergencies and public transportation.

Sal Monforte stated that he feels the mailers sent out provide misleading information as there is possibility of 291 bedrooms, not 291 condominiums. He stated that many residents were not able to participate in the voter survey and that second homeowners should be surveyed. Mr. Monforte expressed that he is against the project and additional taxes. He stated that he thinks the District should be spending tax dollars for other projects such as undergrounding electrical wires and providing natural gas for home heating fuel to the Valley to eliminate the need for propane. He explained how his personal insurance company is terminating his homeowner coverage due to wildfire risk and that others in the Valley are also losing their homeowners coverage. He stated that he doubts that the property will be developed due to its cost. Mr. Monforte expressed frustration that the proposed and approved Village at Squaw Valley Specific Plan (e.g., Village expansion) and the Squaw | Alpine Base-to-Base Gondola were being opposed and consequently delayed. He claimed that "Keep Squaw True" people are pushing the acquisition and that he is not pleased with the District's Board of Directors. He expressed frustration that only three directors were voting on the agenda items related to the OMP and that only 600 registered voters will vote to determine if the measure passes. He said that the District should not discourage development due to its benefit of

increasing ad valorem tax revenue, a portion of which the District would receive. He said this issue and the village expansion is uprooting the community, turning it upside down, and wondered if Director Ilfeld has a conflict of interest because he has a "Keep Squaw True" sticker on his car.

Sally Brew said that she strongly approves of the project and is sad to hear the negative comments. She added that many people cannot access the recreational resources within the Valley as most of the recreation is too steep and challenging. When she moved here in 1956, there was a beautiful meadow; she cannot conceive of condominiums being built on the parcel.

Bob Barnett stated that he was a second homeowner for 30 years and is now a permanent resident of 5 years and regularly attends community meetings within the Valley. He stated that he feels it is possible to "miss the forest for the trees." There is very little public land in the Valley that is locally controlled. Local control allows the public to have direct access. Mr. Barnett said the Olympic Meadow Preserve will be a place to picnic and come together as a community and feels that the community members can afford the \$284 annual tax. Mr. Barnett added that the property can never be taken over by the State, County or private development. He added that if it is developed there are many issues, such as traffic, that will be much worse. He also suggested that the creation of the OMP will increase home values in the Valley more than it will cost homeowners. Mr. Barnett said the property offers the best views in the Valley and can give something that the owners of this Valley can hold special. It is a community improvement that is forever. Our ancestors will enjoy the iconic view. He said that between District staff and the experts that have been hired to work with the PSD, all indications are that the project and the property will be properly managed; and it's being managed by people we can talk to which provides accountability. This is a chance of a lifetime.

Patty Heck, homeowner, stated that she is in favor of the project and asked how the Land Trust was involved and asked for clarification on private fundraising efforts. Kate Frankfurt, Director of Philanthropy at the Land Trust, stated that she is raising as many funds from private donors as possible. Every success will offset the cost to the taxpayers. Ms. Frankfurt added that every donation can be specifically directed to the acquisition of the OMP, as opposed to other Land Trust expenses and/or projects.

Jeff Kennen followed up on Kate Frankfurt's comments, asking what does "negotiating terms for donations" mean. Kate noted that donors will have public access that will be no different than the public. Ms. Frankfurt explained proposed naming opportunities available to donors.

Bill Noble asked how much has been raised in donations so far. Kate said that fundraising has not begun in earnest since the Land Trust needed to have the project vision more clearly defined. Without actively asking for funds, they raised approximately \$200,000.

Susan Gibbs asked if the fundraising would lower the property tax. Kate and Director Mercer responded that it will.

Sal Monforte reversed and said he is *not* against the project. He explained that he has attended parties on the property, swam in the pool, and that he is friends with the Poulsens. He feels the project has been pushed down people's throats. Mr. Monforte repeated his complaints about the project, noted above.

Jeff Hekmian stated that he would love to have a say in what will happen on the property. He added that having a place where his 4-year-old can learn to bike on the bike trail would be wonderful. He has other concerns within the Valley as though, including the need for a sheriff station and having concern about the increasing issues around securing homeowners insurance. Dale Cox responded that if acquisition is successful there will be a process for public input to determine the best use of the land. Director Mercer explained that the public process to determine what happens on the land and how it's used is the Master Planning process, which is scheduled for 2020, if the measure is approved by the voters in November.

Nancy Bartusch stated that she is totally in support of this opportunity and hopes that the Board will call for the election. She added that the plan for the property will be in the community's control which has many advantages.

Director Ilfeld responded that the District's Board is elected which allows for local control, unlike most decisions in the community which have been made by Placer County or predecessors of ski resort's owners, Alterra Mountain Company.

Director Cox, Board President, repeated the purpose of the public hearing and asked that anyone who wished to file a written protest do so. Director Cox asked Jessica Asher, Board Secretary, if there were any written protests. Ms. Asher responded that there was one (1) written protest. Director Cox asked if there were any further oral protests. A second written protest was provided to the Board Secretary. Tom Archer, District Counsel, stated that two (2) written protests were provided and zero (0) oral protests were received. Director Cox closed the public hearing and asked Jessica Asher, Board Secretary, to tally all protests to determine if a majority protest of either the registered voters or landowners subject to the special tax in the CFD existed. Ms. Asher responded that a majority protest did not exist.

**F-1 A. Adopt Resolution 2019-11 to Form Community Facilities District No. 2019-1 (Olympic Meadow Preserve).**

Following the public hearing, the Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and adopted Resolution 2019-11.

James Wawrzyniak, Jones Hall legal counsel, summarized Resolution 2019-11.

Director Mercer made a motion, seconded by Director Ilfeld to adopt Resolution 2019-11, forming Community Facilities District No. 2019-1 (Olympic Meadow Preserve). The motion was seconded by Director Ilfeld. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent  
Ilfeld – Yes  
Mercer – Yes  
Poulsen – Absent

**F-1 B. Adopt Resolution 2019-12 Determining Necessity to Incur Bonded Indebtedness for Community Facilities District No. 2019-1 (Olympic Meadow Preserve).**

Following the public hearing, the Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and adopted Resolution 2019-12.

James Wawrzyniak, Jones Hall legal counsel, summarized Resolution 2019-12.

Director Mercer made a motion, seconded by Director Ilfeld to adopt Resolution 2019-12, Determining Necessity to Incur Bonded Indebtedness for Community Facilities District No. 2019-1 (Olympic Meadow Preserve). The motion was seconded by Director Ilfeld. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Cox – Yes  
Hudson – Absent  
Ilfeld – Yes  
Mercer – Yes  
Poulsen – Absent

**F-1 C. Adopt Resolution 2019-13 Calling Special Election for Community Facilities District No. 2019-1 (Olympic Meadow Preserve).**

Following the public hearing, the Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and adopted Resolution 2019-13.

James Wawrzyniak, Jones Hall legal counsel, summarized Resolution 2019-13.

Director Mercer made a motion, seconded by Director Ilfeld to adopt Resolution 2019-13, Calling a Special Election for Community Facilities District No. 2019-1 (Olympic Meadow Preserve). The motion was seconded by Director Ilfeld. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Cox – Yes  
Hudson – Absent  
Ilfeld – Yes  
Mercer – Yes  
Poulsen – Absent

**F-1 D Olympic Meadow Preserve Naming Opportunities**

The Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment, and approved the proposed naming opportunities to incentivize private donations.



Kate Frankfurt provided background. The Truckee Donner Land Trust (TDLT) is actively pursuing donations to raise funds to support acquisition of the OMP. A standard method to incentivize large donations is providing naming opportunities to elements within the OMP, such as the proposed pavilion, trailhead, benches, picnic tables, boulders, etc. While it is clear that any additional funding to support the acquisition of the OMP is welcomed, as it may reduce the amount of Special Tax necessary to purchase and operate the OMP, it is less clear that such commitments to name elements of the property are acceptable to the property owners in Olympic Valley. The Board was asked to consider the naming opportunities proposed by the Land Trust and determine if they were acceptable and could be improved with any modifications.

Public Comment:

Jean Lange asked if the photo on the screen was representative of the pole barn structure. Kate responded that it was a generic example and that it would be a place for picnics and community gatherings.

Director Mercer clarified that while naming opportunities would be very helpful for fundraising, and the pavilion is a good fit for a million-dollar gift, it means that the community is committing to the construction of a pavilion before the master planning process.

Susan Gibbs asked how two (2) million-dollar gifts would be addressed. Ms. Frankfurt responded that it would be a welcome problem to be resolved if it occurs.

Director Mercer asked Ms. Frankfurt What is needed to be most successful? Kate said she wants to have the Board approve the concept of the pavilion and naming opportunities.

Director Ilfeld said he wanted to be clear that any private fundraising above \$1M would lower the property taxes for homeowners.

Director Mercer said she appreciated Ms. Frankfurt's sensitivity to the fact that the community is supplying most of the funding.

Director Ilfeld asked why the naming opportunity for a bench was twice that of a picnic table. Ms. Frankfurt responded that people tend to gravitate towards benches, that the naming menu is typical of other TDLT properties, and that the TDLT would like to maintain consistency.

Patty Heck asked if the bond did not pass, what would happen with donations. Ms. Frankfurt responded that any gifts specific to the OMP could be returned to the donor or redirected to other Land Trust efforts.

Director Mercer asked if the sunset clause generally diminished fundraising interest? Ms. Frankfurt said that with a 30-year sunset clause, she did not expect it would influence interest.

Director Mercer made a motion to approve the naming opportunities on the updated exhibit dated June 25, 2019 as proposed by the Truckee Donner Land Trust to incentivize private donations, which was seconded by Director Ilfeld. The motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent

Ilfeld – Yes

Mercer – Yes

Poulsen – Absent

**F-2 2<sup>nd</sup> PUBLIC HEARING: Approve FY 2019-2020 Budget and FY 2019-2020 Rates & Charges and Employee Salary Schedules.**

Ms. Grindle reviewed the changes in the proposed budget since the Board’s review in May, 2019. Changes included the addition of \$20,000 for expenses related to the acquisition of the Olympic Meadow Preserve. This expense will be paid from proposed tax revenue.

Mr. Grindle said that the cost of the Truckee River Siphon project is slightly higher due to the rising cost of construction.

The cost of operations equipment which may require replacement due to non-compliant emissions ratings was added, though Mr. Burks added that he hopes to negotiate with Placer County to extend the period in which the existing equipment can be used given it’s used infrequently.

Staff salaries were finalized and reviewed in the finance and personnel committees prior to the Board Meeting.

The Fire Department reserve balance is lower than the minimum balance required by the Districts reserve policy due to paying off the CalPERS unfunded accrued liability.

**F-2 A. Adopt Resolution 2019-14 – FY 2019-20 Budget and FY 2019-20 Rates & Charges**

The Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and approved the FY 2019-2020 Budget and FY 2019-2020 Rates and Charges by adoption of Resolution 2019-14.

A motion to approve the FY 2019-2020 Budget and FY 2019-2020 Rates and Charges by adoption of Resolution 2019-14, was made by Director Ilfeld and seconded by Director Mercer. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent

Ilfeld – Yes

Mercer – Yes

Poulsen – Absent

**F-2 B. Adopt Resolution 2019-15 – FY 2019-20 Employee Salary Schedules**

The Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and approved the Employee Salary Schedules by adoption of Resolution 2019-15.

A motion to approve the FY 2019-2020 Employee Salary Schedules by adoption of Resolution 2019-15, was made by Director Ilfeld and seconded by Director Mercer. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Cox – Yes  
Hudson – Absent  
Ilfeld – Yes  
Mercer – Yes  
Poulsen – Absent

Director Poulsen rejoined the room.

*Item F-5 was taken out of order*

**F-5 Adopt Resolution 2019-17 Acknowledging Receipt of Annual Fire Inspection Services Required by the California Health & Safety Code.**

The Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and adopted Resolution 2019-17.

Chief Riley reviewed the staff report and Resolution 2019-17.

On September 27th, 2018, Section 13146.4 was added to the California Health & Safety Code. This requires all fire departments to report to their Board of Directors the ability to meet Sections 13146.2 and 13146.3 regarding completing the required inspections of Educational Group and Residential Group Occupancies.

The Squaw Valley Fire Department has three (3) occupancies that could be considered Group E and twenty-three (23) occupancies that could be considered Group R. All twenty-six (26) of these occupancies were inspected. Some of the occupancies failed their initial inspections, but all the occupancies eventually passed inspection.

Director Ilfeld asked in what ways properties initially failed. Chief Riley responded that items were generally minor, such as not having batteries in exit lights.

A motion to adopt Resolution 2019-17, was made by Director Mercer and seconded by Director Ilfeld. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Cox – Yes  
Hudson – Absent  
Ilfeld – Yes  
Mercer – Yes  
Poulsen – Yes

*Item G-1 was taken out of order*

### **G-1 Fire Department Report**

Chief Riley reviewed the report. Chief Riley noted that he may rescind the tentative approval for fireworks on the July 5<sup>th</sup> at the Resort at Squaw Creek due to the fire weather watch warning issued for the area.

*Item G-3 was taken out of order*

### **G-3 Engineering Report**

Mr. Hunt reviewed the report and provided an update on the Truckee River Siphon Replacement Project.

### **F-3 2<sup>nd</sup> PUBLIC HEARING: Ordinance 2019-01 – Revise District Codes by Adoption of Rates and Charges**

The Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and adopted Ordinance 2019-01 to revise District Codes by adopting rates and charges.

Ms. Grindle reviewed Ordinance 2019-01 which adopts the FY 2019-2020 rates and charges for water, sewer and garbage service and revises the related codes. The FY 2019-2020 budget includes a 4% increase in water rates, a 5% increase in sewer rates and a 3% increase in garbage rates as issued in the FY 2016-2017 5-year Proposition 218 notice. Connection fees are not changing.

Director Ilfeld said that having a flat fee for single family residential connections is not consistent with the Mountain Housing Council (MHC) recommendations and would like the District to consider connection fees to make them more affordable for smaller units in the future. Ms. Grindle responded it was unfortunate that the rate study was completed before the MHC recommendations were provided and expects that the next rate study will incorporate this information. Director Ilfeld asked if square footage data is provided on plans submitted for review by District staff. Mr. Geary responded that the data is available on the plans but that we don't retain it since our fees are calculated by the number of plumbing fixture units proposed to be installed. Director Ilfeld suggested developing a policy to retain that information. Ms. Grindle said this information could be saved in our accounting software. Mr. Geary explained that we do conform to some of the MHC recommendations by complying with state law regarding the Accessory Dwelling Units and noted that scalability is inherent with how fees are set in so much that larger meters that serve larger homes have higher connection fees.

Ms. Asher added that in previous discussion by the Board there has been concern about incorporating the MHC recommendations in Olympic Valley given the high concentration of small, but not affordable, housing development.

A motion to adopt Ordinance 2019-01 to revise District Codes by adopting rates and charges, was made by Director Poulsen and seconded by Director Mercer. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent

Ifeld – Yes  
Mercer – Yes  
Poulsen – Yes

**F-4 PUBLIC HEARING: Request Placer County to Collect Delinquent Charges.**

The Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and adopted Resolution 2019-16, requesting Placer County to collect delinquent charges.

Ms. Grindle reviewed the staff report. Each June, the District reviews overdue customer accounts with balances exceeding \$50. Delinquent accounts are submitted to Placer County in July to be added to the delinquent customer's property tax roll. As of June 18, 2019, there were twenty-two (22) accounts with overdue balances in excess of \$50. The aggregate total is \$33,979.30.

A motion to adopt Resolution 2019-16, requesting Placer County to collect delinquent charges, was made by Director Mercer and seconded by Director Ifeld. A roll call vote was taken, and the motion passed.

Cox – Yes  
Hudson – Absent  
Ifeld – Yes  
Mercer – Yes  
Poulsen – Yes

**F-6 Squaw Valley Mutual Water Company Operations & Maintenance Agreement – Second Amendment.**

The Board reviewed the Squaw Valley Mutual Water Company Operations and Maintenance Agreement second Amendment, and accepted public comment.

Tom Archer, District Council, stated that this is an information only item and as such there is no need for recusal by Directors who have an ownership interest in the Squaw Valley Mutual Water Company (MWC).

Mr. Burks reviewed the staff report. District staff has provided operations and maintenance (O&M) services to the MWC since July 1, 2014. The current 5-year O&M contract was approved by the SVPSD Board of Directors on June, 27 2017 and expires on June 30, 2022. The contract pricing includes an annual increase that mirrors the cost of living adjustment (COLA) provision in the Operations MOU, which renews every year on July 1st. The price of basic services increased by 2.31% or \$164 per month for the 2019-2020 fiscal year.

**F-7 November and December 2019 Board Meeting Schedule.**

The Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and adopted a revised meeting schedule for November and December 2019 due to holidays.

Ms. Asher reviewed the staff report. Staff recommends conducting two Special Board Meetings on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 (3rd Tuesday of the month) and on Tuesday, December 17,

2019 (3rd Tuesday of the month) in order to avoid any potential schedule conflicts related to the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays.

A motion to conduct Board meetings on Tuesday, November 19, 2019 and on Tuesday, December 17, 2019, was made by Director Mercer and seconded by Director Poulsen. The motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent

Ilfeld – Yes

Mercer – Yes

Poulsen – Yes

#### **F-8 Special Districts Risk Management Authority (SDRMA) Election.**

The Board reviewed the item, accepted public comment and cast a vote for three representatives by adoption of Resolution 2019-18.

Director Poulsen noted that SDRMA does a fantastic job and recommended Bob Swan as an incumbent, noting that he prepared a good candidate statement. Director Ilfeld thought Patrick K. O'Rourke had applicable experience.

A motion to cast a ballot for Sandy Seifert-Raffelson, Bob Swan, and Patrick K. O'Rourke was made by Director Poulsen and seconded by Director Mercer. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent

Ilfeld – Yes

Mercer – Yes

Poulsen – Yes

#### **G-2 Water & Sewer Operations Report**

Mr. Burks reviewed the report. The annual consumer confidence report is available online and its website was included in the newsletter mailing. The Operations Department is currently undergoing a hiring process to fill an Operations Specialist Trainee or Operations Specialist 1 position.

Director Poulsen noted that there appears to be a lot of infiltration and inflow (I&I) in the sewer system. Mr. Burks responded that staff and the contractor finished television inspection (TVI) of the sewer lines last week and that the data is being processed now. Due to the high level of the aquifer at the time of filming, staff should be able to detect active I&I. Director Poulsen noted that it seemed that there was a lot of unaccounted for water last month and asked if Mr. Burks knew the cause. Mr. Burks responded that hydrant flushing was performed last month which creates challenges to estimating the water use.

#### **G-4 Administration & Office Report**

Ms. Asher reviewed the report.

**G-5 General Manager Report**

Mr. Geary reviewed the report.

**G-6 Legal Report (verbal)**

Mr. Archer had no report.

**G-7 Directors' Comments (verbal)**

Director Cox expressed heartfelt thanks to all the staff for the extra work effort related to the Olympic Meadow Preserve project. Director Mercer seconded that appreciation.

Director Mercer made a motion to move to closed session, which was seconded by Director Ilfeld.

Eric Poulsen recused himself due to an ownership interest.

**I. Closed Session: Conference with Real Property Negotiators**

The Board of Directors met in Closed Session to discuss matters authorized by Government Code Section 54956.8

Property: 325 Squaw Valley Rd. Olympic Valley CA 96146; APN 096-290-050; 096-230-062

Agency Negotiator: Mike Geary, General Manager SVPSD

Negotiating Parties: Truckee Donner Land Trust

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms of Payment

Only the action on the agenda, the price and terms of payment for real-property negotiations, were discussed, and no action was taken.

**J. Possible Action from Closed Session.**

No action was taken from the closed session.

**K. Adjourn.**

Director Mercer made a motion, seconded by Director Ilfeld to adjourn at 12:58 P.M. The motion passed.

Cox – Yes

Hudson – Absent

Ilfeld – Yes

Mercer – Yes

Poulsen – Absent

By, J. Asher