

## MINUTES OF BUDGET & FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING

Responsible for the review of District finances including: rates, fees, charges and other sources of revenue; budget and reserves; audit; investments; insurance; and other financial matters.

Wednesday, August 18, 2021, 2:00 pm, via video/tele conference.

## **MINUTES**

1. Convene Meeting/Roll Call 2:00 p.m.

## Committee Members Present:

Lois Henry Gail Mahood Jeff Hill Stephanie Winegarden

## Staff Present:

Kendra Reed, Acting Director of Finance and Business Services Rick Rogers, District Manager Holly Hossack, District Secretary

- R. Rogers introduced Kendra Reed, Acting Director of Finance and Business Services, to the Committee.
- 2. **Oral Communications:** None
- 3. New Business:
  - A. REVISED RATE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM K. Reed introduced this item.
  - J. Hill questioned a scenario with a past due of 120 days for a CZU Fire victim.

Staff explained that anyone that lost their homes in the CZU Fire with a past due balance were forgiven.

S. Winegarden requested background on the RAP.

L. Henry explained the RAP.

Discussion by the Committee, staff and public regarding the RAP and possibly increasing the amount of assistance, fire charge, budget, wording of policy and communication to the public about this program.

- G. Mahood made a motion that the Budget & Finance Committee recommends to the Board that we raise the monthly assistance to \$15.00 and that we maintain the \$25,000 that is budgeted for the current year Rate Assistance Program.
  - J. Hill seconded the motion.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**: MOTION PASSED

AYES: L. Henry, G. Mahood, J. Hill, S. Winegarden

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

G. Mahood said that they should do what Rick suggested and list this as a yearly amount and to make the Rate Assistance Program more prominent and searchable on the website.

Discussion by the Committee and staff regarding getting the RAP information to the public.

L. Henry requested that we call a vote to approve the changes to the policy as stated in the memo, to be recommended to the Board of Directors.

**ROLL CALL VOTE**: MOTION PASSED

AYES: L. Henry, G. Mahood, J. Hill, S. Winegarden

NOES: None ABSTAIN: None

- 4. **Unfinished Business**: None
- 5. **Informational Material**:

Here is a link <a href="https://www.slvwd.com/node/290/minutes">https://www.slvwd.com/node/290/minutes</a> to previous Budget & Finance Committee meeting minutes.

6. **Adjournment** 2:40 p.m.