

REDWOOD VALLEY COUNTY WATER DISTRICT
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MINUTES
Board of Directors

Special Meeting
Tuesday, September 27, 2011

Directors Present: Donald E. Butow, Jeanette Hallman, Hal Voege, Merle D. Reuser
Directors Absent: Granville Pool
Staff Present: Linda Groth, Board Secretary/Office Manager
Staff Absent: Bill Koehler, General Manager
Others Present: None

CALL TO ORDER: 7:02 P.M.

1. ROLL CALL.

Jeanette Hallman, Director
Merle Reuser, Director
Hal Voege, Director
Donald Butow, Board President

2. HEARING OF COMMENTS OR QUESTIONS FROM THE ATTENDING PUBLIC.

None.

3. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE SCHEDULING OF A "MEET THE CANDIDATE'S NIGHT".

President Butow stated this Special Meeting is Called in order to determine whether or not we will have a Candidates Night at the Redwood Valley Grange Hall. There are three Directors on the Board who have terms ending this year and there are five applicants who have Filed the Declaration of Candidacy forms with the County Clerk for the three seats on the Board of Directors. Director Hallman asked who would be paying for use of the Grange Hall and a clarification was made. The good people of the Redwood Valley Grange Association make their Hall available at no fee to Governmental entities because this is for the benefit of all the residents of Redwood Valley.

Director Hallman spoke of County Counsel Jeanine Nadel's Ethics Class in which it was stated that a Special District cannot support candidates by putting out Flyers, cannot use any District employees, etc., and she wonders how involved the District will be.

President Butow stated there is no conflict. This is being done for the benefit of the public only. It is providing the public with an opportunity to meet the candidates. There will be a volunteer, an experienced Moderator with no connection to the District, who will conduct the meeting and will read the questions submitted by the public. Each candidate will then have an opportunity to respond.

Director Hallman asked that we run this past County Counsel to protect the District from any updates to the Ethic's Law that we might not be aware of, before proceeding. The consensus of the Board was, if at tonight's Meeting it is agreed to go forward, it will be cleared with County Counsel.

The Directors discussed a possible date and time for such a Meeting, if legal counsel says there is no conflict.

MOTION: Have a Candidate's Night at 7:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at the Redwood Valley Grange Hall.

Voege/Reuser Discussion CARRIED

Ayes: Voege, Reuser, Hallman, Butow

Noes: None

Absent: Pool

Abstain: None

Director Voege suggested that either KC Meadows or Katie Gibbs would be excellent, evenhanded Moderators for this event, and President Butow suggested that Director Voege serve as a volunteer to contact them on behalf of the Candidates.

The Meeting ended at 7:20 P.M.

The next Regular Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 P.M. on Thursday, October 20, 2011 at the Water District Office, 2370 Webb Ranch Road, Redwood Valley, California.

APPROVED: Board of Directors

DATE APPROVED: November 17, 2011

SIGNED: Linda Groth
Secretary, Board of Directors