



Phelan Piñon Hills Community Services District

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LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

February 15, 2018 – 2:00 p.m.

PPHCSD Office

4176 Warbler Road, Phelan, CA 92371

AGENDA

1. **Call to Order** – Pledge of Allegiance
2. **Roll Call**
3. **Approval of Agenda**
4. **Approval of Minutes** – January 18, 2018
5. **Public Comment** – Under this item, any member of the public wishing to directly address the Board on any item of interest that is within the subject matter jurisdiction of the Board, but not listed on the agenda, may do so at this time. However, the Board is prohibited by law from taking any action on any item not appearing on the agenda unless the action is otherwise authorized by the Brown Act. Any member of the public wishing to directly address the Board on any item listed on the agenda may do so when the item is being considered by the Board. If you wish to address the Board, please complete a Comment Card and present it to the Board Secretary. Speakers are requested to be brief in their remarks. The Chair may limit each speaker to a comment period of five (5) minutes.
6. **Representatives**
7. **Update on Current Projects/Current Plan**
8. **Potential Project Avenues for Funding**
9. **Committee Comments**
10. **Review of Action Items**
 - a. Prior Meeting Action Items
 - b. Current Meeting Action Items
11. **Set Agenda for Next Meeting** – March 15, 2018
12. **Adjourn**

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MINUTES

Committee Members Present: Al Morrisette, Chair
Cathy Pace, Director

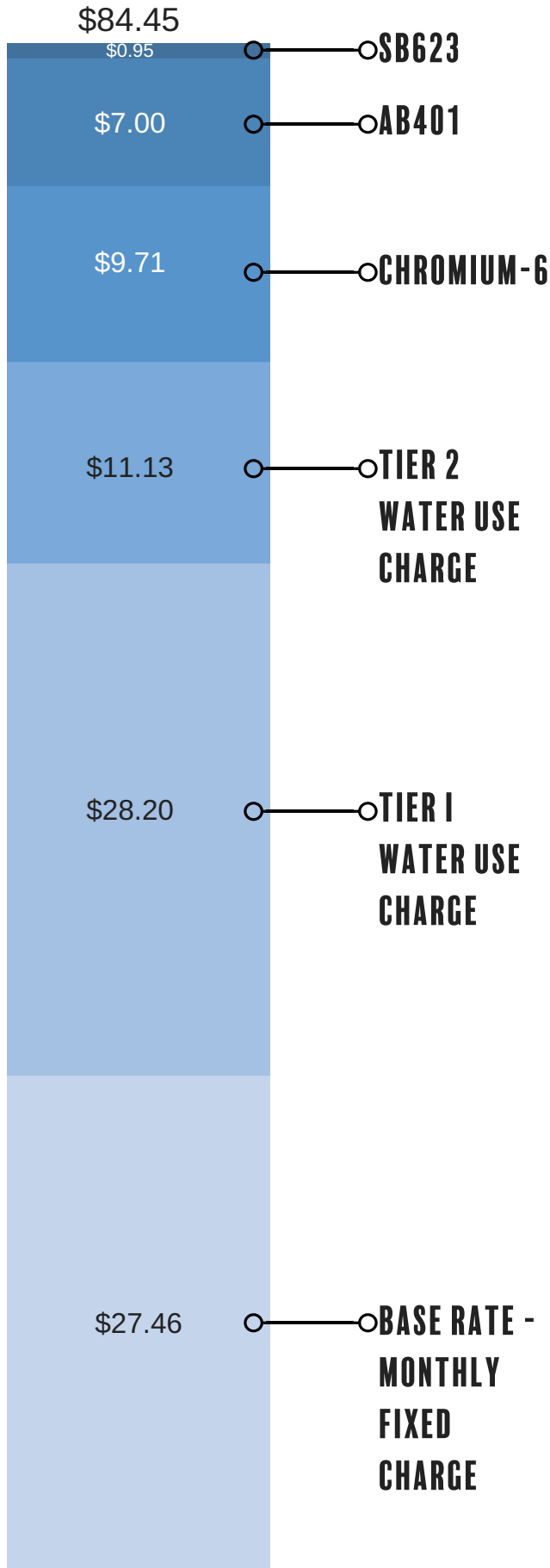
Staff Present: Don Bartz, General Manager
Kimberly Ward, HR Manager/Executive Secretary

1. **Call to Order**
Director Morrisette called the meeting to order at 2:03 p.m.
2. **Roll Call**
All Committee members were present.
3. **Approval of Agenda**
Director Morrisette moved to approve the Agenda. Director Pace seconded the motion. The Agenda was approved as presented.
4. **Approval of Minutes – December 21, 2017**
Director Pace moved to approve the Minutes. Director Morrisette seconded the motion. All were in favor and the Minutes were approved as presented.
5. **Public Comment - None**
6. **Representatives – Shannon Dunkel, Field Representative for Assemblyman Obernolte & Joshua Monzon, Field Representative for Senator Morrell**
7. **Update on Current Projects**
8. **Potential Project Avenues for Funding**
9. **Committee Comments – None**
10. **Review of Action Items**
 - Create handout regarding impact of recent/upcoming legislation of water rates
11. **Set Agenda for Next Meeting – February 15, 2018**
12. **Adjournment**
With no further business before the Committee, the meeting adjourned at 3:06 p.m.

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LEGISLATIVE IMPACT ON WATER BILLS

PPHCSD - February 2018



Bill based on 1" meter and 15 HCF of usage

SB 623

This Senate Bill is currently in committee and is called, "Safe & Affordable Drinking Water Fund." This Bill is aimed at funding safe drinking water solutions for disadvantaged communities. This will be the state's first tax on drinking water. This bill will result in a \$0.95 tax on every customer's water bill each month. This bill makes every water agency a tax collector for the state. The money will be sent to Sacramento where the state decides how it is spent after it pays for administration of the program. It is unclear if the PPHCSD would receive any of these funds back.

AB 401

This Assembly Bill was passed in 2015 and is called, "Low-Income Water Rate Assistance Program." This Bill is aimed at offering rate assistance to low-income customers, however it is still unclear how this will occur. Initial estimates show that each District customer could pay \$7 per month on their water bill. The funds collected would likely be sent to the state and the state would determine how funds are utilized.

Chromium-6

On July 1, 2014, the maximum contaminate level (MCL) was reduced from 50 parts per billion (ppb) for total chromium to 10 ppb for hexavalent chromium (Chromium-6). The District was involved in supporting legislation (SB385) to increase the amount of time allowed to come into compliance. The District was in the process of implementing its compliance project when the SWRCB reversed the MCL back to 50 ppb. However, the District had already spent \$3.7million towards the compliance project. It is expected that the MCL will be reduced again, however the revised MCL level is unknown at this time.

Drought Impact

As a result of the state-wide emergency drought regulations enacted April 1, 2015 (Executive Order B-29-15), the District had to implement mandatory compliance measures, including hiring additional staff. Additionally, the District realized a reduction in revenue. A new rate study also needed to be conducted where it was determined an increase to the base rate was necessary to account for drought costs and operational expenses that are present regardless of water usage. See District Rate Study.