

**Burney Water District
Board of Director's Special Meeting
February 3rd, 2022**

ITEM

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

PRESENT: Directors Jim Hamlin, Dave Barry, Fred Ryness Sarah Clark, District Manager David Zevely and Administrative Assistant Stephanie McQuade.

ABSENT: Director Britta Rogers.

CALL TO ORDER: President Jim Hamlin called the Special Meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

2. PUBLIC SPEAKERS:

None.

BUSINESS:

3. Update from Laurie McCollum with PACE Engineering for Waste Water Treatment Plant Improvement Project Including Her Recommendation on Bid Award for Base Bid and Additive Alternatives, Project # C-06-8108-110: Laurie McCollum with PACE Engineering introduced Paige Cibart, Waste Water Treatment Plant Project Engineer, and Dylan with PACE Engineering. She informed the Board that the low bidder on the Waste Water Treatment Plant Improvement Project was RTA and the Base Bid came in at \$4,450,027.85 and the Base Bid plus Additive Alternatives came in at \$6,089,027.85. The funding agency has said that there is a ton of availability for grant funding due to Legislature that has passed and have a Board Meeting scheduled for March looking to approve increasing the maximum allowance for agencies. The current maximum is six million per grant and eight million per agency within five years. They are planning on removing those caps due to having excess grant funds available that need to be spent by 2024. There is a small loan component for this project due to the current maximum allowance and removing the maximum will not change that, the loan is \$337,101.00 through the State Revolving Fund for 40 years which is in the agreement. The next step for PACE is to put estimates together to give to the State for review and approval for funding for the project which will take a few months to receive the final funding agreement for just the Base Bid and for the Additive Alternates it could take around six months before we see a final funding agreement. Laurie recommends that the Board awards the Base Bid and a contingent award for the Additive Alternatives to RTA. This way they can get the equipment on order because lead times are so far out and they probably won't start construction for several months.

4. Update from Laurie McCollum with PACE Engineering for Collection System Improvement Project – Phase 2 Including Her Recommendation on Bid Award for Base Bid and Additive Alternatives, Project # C-06-8108-310: RTA Laurie McCollum with PACE Engineering informed the Board that the low bidder on the Collection System Improvement Project – Phase 2 was RTA and the Base Bid came in at \$1,062,000.00 and the Base Bid plus Additive Alternatives came in at \$1,788,000.00. Laurie recommends that the Board awards the Base Bid and a contingent award for the Additive Alternatives.

5. **Discuss Financing Options for Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Project and Collection System Improvement Project – Phase 2:** District Manager David Zevely informed the Board that the Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvement Projects Base Bid Cost will be \$4,600,000.00 to \$5,400,000.00 and with the Base Bid plus Additive Alternates the Cost goes up to \$7,500,000.00 to \$9,200,000.00. The Collection System Improvement Project – Phase 2 Base Bid Cost will be \$900,000.00 to \$1,200,000.00 and with the Base Bid plus Additive Alternate \$1,400,000.00 to \$1,700,000.00. Due to the costs of these projects the District needs to make a decision on how to pay the contractors. He informed the Board that the District has contacted three different funding agencies, CoBank, Tri Counties Bank and CSDA. We are waiting for CoBank to get back to us, Tri Counties Bank gave us a verbal that they could give us a five year 1.5M Line of Credit at around 5.25% and CSDA has given us two loan options with no early payoff but are currently working on finding an interested party for a Line of Credit. He answered questions from the Board and informed them that we should have all the information by the next Regular Meeting to make a decision.
6. **Review 2021 Public Water Systems Statistics:** Administrative Assistant Stephanie McQuade summarized the 2021 Public Water System Statistics and answered questions.
7. **Review 2021 Electrical Cost per 100 Cubic Feet Pumped:** Administrative Assistant Stephanie McQuade summarized the 2021 Electrical Cost per 100 Cubic Feet Pumped and answered questions.
8. **Review 2021 Groundwater Levels:** Administrative Assistant Stephanie McQuade summarized the 2021 Groundwater Levels and answered questions.
9. **Review Future Agenda Items and Summarize Board Direction:** Replacement of Meters – Out to Bid, Decision of Bid Award for WWTP and CSIP, Interim Financing – Line of Credit, Regular Meeting Scheduled for January 17th, 2022 at 6:30 p.m.
10. **Adjournment:** Director Clark made a motion for adjournment. Director Barry seconded the motion. The meeting was adjourned at 7:09 p.m.

AYES: HAMLIN, BARRY, RYNESS, CLARK.
ABSENT: ROGERS.

CARRIED

CHAIRPERSON

BOARD SECRETARY