

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Meredith Matthews, City of Arcata, Vice Chair Adelene Jones, City of Blue Lake Leslie Castellano, City of Eureka, Chair Randy Cady, City of Ferndale Steve Madrone, County of Humboldt Frank Wilson, City of Rio Dell

Minutes Thursday, May 11, 2023 at 5:30 PM Eureka City Council Chamber

Present: Meredith Matthews, Frank Wilson, Randy Cady, Leslie Castellano,

Adelene Jones

Absent: Steve Madrone

Staff: Eric Keller-Heckman, Tony Heacock, Loral Uber

Legal Counsel: Nancy Diamond

1. Call to Order and Roll Call at 5:30 PM

Vice Chairperson Castellano called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM. A quorum was present and acting.

2. Consent Calendar

a. Approve Minutes from April 28th HWMA Board of Directors Special Meeting

b. Approve Amendment Number 2 with B&B Portable Toilets, LLC for leachate hauling from Cummings Road Landfill

c. Appointment of and Employment Contract with Eric Keller-Heckman to serve as Executive Director

Motion: Director Matthews moved and Director Jones seconded the motion to

approve the Consent Calendar items 2a and 2c.

Action: Approve the Motion as made by **Director Matthews** and seconded by

Director Jones

Ayes: Unanimous Noes: None

Absent: Steve Madrone

Motion: Director Matthews moved and Director Wilson seconded the motion to

approve the Consent Calendar item 2b, with contract term extension

revised from 3 years to 1 year.

Action: Approve the Motion as made by **Director Matthews** and seconded by

Director Wilson

Ayes: Unanimous

Noes: None

Absent: Steve Madrone

3. Oral and Written Communications

Chairperson Castellano opened the floor to public comment regarding items not on the agenda. No public comment was received.

Chairperson Castellano closed the floor to public comment.

4. Approve Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget and adopt Resolution 2024-01 for the Collection of Integrated Waste Management Fees

Executive Director Keller-Heckman summarized Executive Advisory Committee recommendations regarding the draft budget, including development of a plan for the new reserve fund and a recommendation against tying salary increases to CPI at this time. He reported that the only changes to the draft budget since the previous meeting are an additional \$1/ton fee increase and associated revenue, based on the Board's direction.

Chairperson Castellano opened the floor to public comment regarding the Budget and Waste Management Fees.

Linda Wise, of Recology, spoke about the difficulty of finding backhaul loads and informed the board that most of the Authority's current backhaul is recyclable materials brought into Humboldt by Recology. She also informed the board that costs of recycling could be considerably reduced by lower contamination rates, and suggested increased outreach to residents.

Chairperson Castellano closed the floor to public comment.

Motion: Director Matthews moved and Director Cady seconded the motion to

approve the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 Budget and adopt Resolution 2024-01

for the Collection of Integrated Waste Management Fees

Action: Approve the Motion as made by **Director Matthews** and seconded by

Director Cady

Ayes: Unanimous

Noes: None

Absent: Steve Madrone

5. Chairperson Castellano adjourned the meeting at 6:03 PM.