



## **COUNTY WATER DISTRICT OF BILLINGS HEIGHTS**

### **Board of Directors Meeting Minutes**

#### **Work Session**

August 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2023 at 08:30 AM

County Water District of Billings Heights 1540 Popelka Dr., Board room

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**CALL MEETING TO ORDER:** President Doug Kary called the meeting to order at 08:30 AM

#### **WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS**

**Board Members present:** Laura Drager, Doug Kary, Frank Ewalt, Tom Zurbuchen

**Staff Members present:** Josh Simpson, and Jenn Burnside

**Also present:**

#### **PRESIDENT'S REMARKS:** Read by Doug Kary

During the course of the meeting the Public may be heard before a vote is cast by the Board. The President will acknowledge the Public once the motion has been made and discussed by the Board for their input. The President will recognize speakers who raise their hands. Once recognized, the speaker should move to the side of the board table so comments can be heard, identify themselves by name, and limit their comments to two minutes. Each speaker will have one opportunity to speak on any agenda item. Once the public comment period is over the public may not provide further comment or ask additional questions during the remainder of the agenda item discussion, unless specifically requested by the chair or presiding officer of the meeting.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENT on Non-Public Hearing Agenda Items:** Read by Doug Kary

- A. Any member of the public may be heard on any subject that is not on the agenda;
- B. The board will not take action on these items at this time but may choose to add the item to the agenda for the next scheduled board meeting.

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This work session is to discuss all the rate alternatives brought to the board.

Doug would like everyone to keep in mind what the rate increase is for.

The district needs at least 5.7 million for growth so we will need a rate alternative that meets the needs of the district.

Frank thinks that Raftelis is putting too much on the residential customers and not enough on the commercial customers.

The board then came up with an alternative that was a combination of each of the alternatives brought to the board.

This is what they came up with:

Tiered rate structure for residential use as follows:

0-4000 \$3.25

4,000-20,000 \$4.85

20,000-40,000 \$7.10

40,000 + \$9.50

Monthly Base Meter Charge by meter size:

3/4 and 5/8 base rate \$20.50

1 in base rate \$28.10

1 1/2 in base rate \$51.20

2 in base rate \$78.50

3&4 in base rate \$152.00

6 in base rate \$464.90

8 in base rate \$740.00

Flat Rate:

Non-residential \$5.30/1,000 gal

Irrigation \$7.50/1,000 gal

Resale \$6.50/ 1,000 gal

These rates will be emailed to Raftelis for them to run the numbers, and bring a report back to the board.

Meeting adjourned @ 10:39 AM

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**Recording Secretary, Jennifer  
Burnside**

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**Board President, Ming Cabrera**