

FRAZIER PARK PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT

3801 Park Drive - Frazier Park, CA 93225

SPECIAL MEETING

**Hearing on the Proposed Base Rate Charge and Consumption Fee Increase in
Compliance with Article XIID of the California State Constitution.**

MINUTES FOR THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2016

Schoenberg/Garcia 3/0/1 - Director Kelling abstain, Director Gipson absent

Minutes Approved on January 12, 2017 - Amended on August 16, 2017

1. Call to Order: 6:00pm.

a. Pledge to the Flag.

b. Roll Call of Directors: Garcia, Gipson, and Schoenberg.

Director Neyman present as the chairperson.

Seat 5 Vacant.

Also present: Jonnie Allison, Tiffany Matte, and Jon Van Den Bergh.

2. Introduction from the Board President.

Director Neyman welcomed everyone, and summarized the purpose of the Special Meeting. He reminded the public that, when the time comes, to please limit their comments to five minutes, and address the proposed rate increase only.

3. Summary of the Proposed Increase.

John Van Den Bergh summarized the purpose of the increase, and how the rate was calculated.

4. Hearing on the Increase in Base Water Rate and Water Consumption Charges.

a. Open Hearing for Public Participation.

At this time, Director Neyman opened up the hearing by inviting anyone in attendance, who wished to make a statement or ask a question, to do so, limiting comments to 5 minutes. The public asked many questions and expressed their concerns including: The financial burden a rate increase would put on those with a limited, or fixed income; the effects of the increase on the students at Frazier Park Elementary School; the alleged lack of clarity in the public notice that was mailed out; and people not having received information on the increase.

b. Close Public Participation Portion of the Hearing.

After hearing the questions and comments of everyone in attendance that wished to speak, Director Neyman closed the public participation portion of the hearing.

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c. Majority Protest Process Explained.

Director Schoenberg and John Van Den Bergh explained how the Prop 218 process works for a majority protest, and what the protest letter needs to include.

d. Final Call for Written Protest Submittals.

The Board agreed to call a brief recess so that anyone who wished to clarify how many parcels they own could do so, and if needed, write up any additional protests.

Motion: Move that we take a 10 minute break at 7:45pm.

Gipson/Garcia 4/0/0, Motion Passed - Seat 5 vacant.

Return from break: 8:10pm.

5. Final Conclusion of Protest Hearing to Proceed with Protest Count.

Director Neyman made a final call for protest letters to be turned in.

6. Count/Tabulate Written Protests - General Manager and Staff.

Two community members volunteered to open and read the protest letters. Tiffany Matte tabulated the votes on a printed database. The final count was announced by Director Neyman. There were a total of 62 protest votes.

7. Discussion/Possible Vote on the Adoption of the Proposed Rate and Consumption Fee Increase.

The Resolution to adopt the rate increase, if the majority of property owners in Frazier Park did not protest, was previously passed on September 15, 2016*. The rate increase will begin on January 1, 2017 as proposed.

8. Adjournment.

Motion: Move that we adjourn.

Gipson/Garcia 4/0/0, Motion Passed - Seat 5 Vacant.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:56pm.

***Minutes Amended to correct the date. Amended per motion to approve on January 12, 2017.**

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At every special meeting, the legislative body shall provide the public with an opportunity to address the body on any item described in the notice before or during consideration of that item. Taken from the Brown Act Statutes 54954.3(a)



Tiffany Matte, Clerk of the Board



Attest: Rebecca Gipson, Secretary

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