

**CONFORMED AGENDA**  
**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**GEORGETOWN DIVIDE PUBLIC UTILITY DISTRICT**  
**BOARD OF DIRECTORS**  
**6425 MAIN STREET, GEORGETOWN, CA 95634**

**Special Notation:**

***Director David Halpin will participate in this meeting from a satellite location via telephone. The Public may participate in all Open Session portions of this meeting from this location. The specifics of this location while participating in this meeting are as follows:  
16753 Black River Drive, Northville, MI 48168***

**Tuesday, October 3, 2017  
2:00 PM**

**MISSION STATEMENT**

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It is the purpose of the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District to:

- Provide reliable water supplies
  - Ensure high quality drinking water
  - Promote stewardship to protect community resources, public health and quality of life
  - Provide excellent and responsive customer services through dedicated and valued staff
  - Ensure fiscal responsibility and accountability are observed by balancing immediate and long term needs
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**1. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

*The meeting was called to order at 2:00 PM.*

*Roll Call:*

*Directors Present: Jesse Hanschild, Lon Uso, and Dane Wadle*

*Directors Absent: David Halpin; Carl Hoelscher*

*Staff Present: General Manager Steve Palmer, and Meeting Recorder Gloria Omania.*

*Legal Counsel: Helane Seikaly, Churchwell White.*

**2. ADOPTION OF AGENDA**

***Motion by Director Hanschild to adopt the agenda. Second by Director Wadle.***

***Public Comment: None***

***Vote:***

***Ayes: Hanschild, Uso, Wadle***

***Noes:***

***Absent: Halpin, Hoelscher***

***The motion passed.***

### 3. CONSENT CALENDAR

#### A. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting of September 12, 2017

**Motion by Director Hanschild to approve the Minutes of the Board Meeting of September 12, 2017. Second by Director Wadle.**

**Public Comment: None**

**Vote:**

**Ayes: Hanschild, Uso, Wadle**

**Noes:**

**Absent: Halpin, Hoelscher**

**The motion passed.**

### 4. NEW BUSINESS

#### A. Report on Public Rate Study Workshop of September 18, 2017

**Possible Board Action:** Receive report.

*General Manager Steve Palmer presented the report on the public rate study workshop held on September 18, 2017, and discussed the remaining schedule to complete the 218 processes. He pointed out the following schedule adopted by the Board goes beyond what is legally required.*



*The dates were set for the remaining schedule as follows:*

*Thursday, October 12 @ 5 PM  
Cool Community Hall*

*Public Workshop #2*

*Tuesday, October 18 @ 2 PM  
GDPUD Office*

*Board Meeting to Authorize 45-Day Notice*

*Tuesday, December 12 @ 2 PM  
GDPUD Office*

*Board Meeting to Adopt Rates*

*Director Uso asked those attending what they thought of the process so far. Linnea Marengo commented that this was the first time she had received so much information in such a short period of time. She stated that she thought the workshop was very structured, very thorough and was impressed. She added that it would have been helpful to receive the information in advance to allow time to digest it. She expressed disappointment that so few people are participating, adding*

that all the General Manager can do is open the door for public participation. Mr. Palmer indicated he would be happy to meet with anyone with questions. He said he would be willing to meet with small groups. Director Uso expressed his interested in joining him.

Ms. Marenco asked if the Board would consider establishing an irrigation advisory committee and Director Uso responded that may be possible.

The report was received and filed.

## **B. Draft Letter to Grand Jury**

**Possible Board Action:** Review draft letter and provide direction to staff.

Steve Palmer reported that the District received a request from the Grand Jury for another response to their May 176, 2017, report.

Director Wadle asked why the first response was rejected. Legal Counsel Helane Selinsky responded that it was highly technical.

**Motion by Director Wadle to approve the response letter to the Grand Jury. Second by Director Hanschild.**

**Public Comment: None**

**Vote:**

**Ayes: Hanschild, Uso, Wadle**

**Noes:**

**Absent: Halpin, Hoelscher**

**The motion passed.**

## **C. Resolution 2017-21 - Professional Services Agreement with Blue Ribbon Personnel Services**

**Possible Board Action:** Adopt Resolution 2017-21 Authorizing the General Manager to execute a Professional Services Agreement with Blue Ribbon Personnel Services.

Gloria Omania reported that the District has been utilizing Blue Ribbon Personnel Services since April of 2005 and continues to need those personnel services. She noted the proposed agreement more clearly outlines the responsibilities of the Agency and the District, including the policy for sick leave, vacation and holidays. Mr. Palmer added the new Professional Services Agreement is in the format required by Legal Counsel.

**Motion by Director Hanschild to adopt Resolution 2017-21. Second by Director Wadle.**

**Public Comment: None**

**Vote:**

**Ayes: Hanschild, Uso, Wadle**

**Noes:**

**Absent: Halpin, Hoelscher**

**The motion passed.**

- 5. BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS, REQUESTS FOR ADDITIONS TO FUTURE MEETING AGENDAS AND REQUESTS FOR INFORMATION OR RESEARCH TO BE COMPLETED BY STAFF** – Opportunity for Board members to discuss matters of interest to them and provide input for future meetings as well as report on their District-related meeting attendance.

*The Board adjourned to closed session at 3:15 PM*

**6. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION**

**A. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE PERFORMANCE EVALUATION**

(Pursuant to Government Code section 54957(b)(1))

Title: General Manager

**B. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—EXISTING LITIGATION**

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(1))

1. Name of case: Mecklenberg v. Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (United States District Court, Eastern District of California Case No.: 2:14-CV-00750-TLN-DB)
2. Name of case: Leow v. Georgetown Divide Public Utility District (El Dorado Superior Court Case No.: PC 20100019; Third District Court of Appeal No. C077559)

**C. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL--LABOR NEGOTIATION**

(Pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.5(f) and Government Code 54957.6)

District Representatives: General Manager Steven Palmer; District General Counsel


Employee Organization: International Union of Operating Engineers Stationary Engineers, Local No. 39

*The Board returned to open session at 4:22 PM. Director Uso reported that the General Manager Performance Evaluation was tabled to a future meeting, and Staff received direction on the labor negotiation.*

- 7. NEXT MEETING DATE AND ADJOURNMENT** – Next regular meeting October 10, 2017, at 2:00 PM at the Georgetown Divide Public Utility District Office.

*The meeting was adjourned at 4:24 PM.*

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Steven Palmer, PE, General Manager

*10/10/17*  
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Date