

**CITY OF TULARE
BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSIONERS
MEETING MINUTES**

Council Chamber
491 North M Street, Tulare

Thursday, July 20, 2023
4:00 p.m. - Regular Meeting

COMMISSIONERS PRESENT: President Ray Fonseca
Vice President Thomas Griesbach
Commissioner Renee Soto
Commissioner Blake Wilbur

COMMISSIONERS ABSENT: Commissioner Tony Sozinho

STAFF PRESENT: City Manager Marc Mondell; Assistant City Attorney Megan Dodd; Deputy City Clerk Maegan Peton; Public Works Director Trisha Whitfield; City Engineer Michael Miller; Senior Management Analyst Andrew Bettencourt; Project Manager Michael Powers

1. CALL TO ORDER

President Fonseca called the regular meeting of the Board of Public Utilities Commissioners to order at 4:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber located at 491 North M Street.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND INVOCATION

Commissioner Wilbur led the Pledge of Allegiance and an invocation was given by Vice President Griesbach.

3. PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were no public comments.

4. COMMUNICATIONS

There were no communications.

5. CONSENT CALENDAR

Item 5.3 was removed from the Consent Calendar by Commissioner Wilbur.

It was moved by Vice President Griesbach, seconded by Commissioner Soto, and carried 4 to 0 that (Commissioner Sozinho absent) that the items on the Consent Calendar be approved as presented except for item 5.3.

5.1 Special and/or Regular Meeting Minutes of June 15, 2023.

Recommended Action: Approve as submitted. [M. Peton]

5.2 June 2023 Investments Report.

Recommended Action: Accept the monthly investments report for June 2023. [D. Ibanez]

5.4 Award Contract for Labor Compliance Services for Well 4-3.

Recommended Action: Award and authorize the City Manager to sign a contract related to City Project WT0040 – water line construction and equipping of Well 4-3 (Bardsley and J Street) for Labor Compliance Services with QK, Inc. Visalia in the amount of \$44,620.00; authorize the City Manager or designee to approve contract change orders in the amount not to exceed 10% of the contract amount and approve the revised budget. [M. Powers]

PULLED CONSENT CALENDAR ITEMS**5.3 Public Works Performance Reports for 2023.**

Recommended Action: Receive the Public Works performance reports for June 2023. [A. Bettencourt]

Board Action: This item was pulled by Commissioner Wilbur for clarification. It was moved by Commissioner Wilbur, seconded by President Fonseca, and carried 4 to 0 (Commissioner Sozinho absent) to approve the item as presented.

6. GENERAL BUSINESS**6.1 Purchase of Automated Refuse Cans.**

Recommended Action: Award the purchase of 1,590 automated refuse cans to Cascade Cart Solutions, using Sourcewell Contract No. 041521CEI in the amount of \$110,817.28, which includes tax and shipping. [A. Avila].

Presented By: Senior Management Analyst Andrew Bettencourt

Public Comment: None

Board Action: It was moved by Vice President Griesbach, seconded by Commissioner Wilbur, and carried 4 to 0 (Commissioner Sozinho) to approve the item as presented.

7. ITEMS OF INTEREST

Items of interest were discussed amongst the Board and staff.

8. ADJOURNMENT

President Fonseca adjourned the regular meeting at 4:22 p.m.

Approved by the Board on August 3, 2023.

RAY FONSECA, PRESIDENT

ATTEST:

MARC MONDELL, CITY CLERK

By Maegan Peton, Deputy City Clerk