

**CITY OF UKIAH
CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
Special Joint Meeting with the Inland Power and Water Commission (IWPC)
UKIAH VALLEY CONFERENCE CENTER
200 South School Street, Ukiah, CA 95482**

Virtual Meeting Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88249943594>

**May 29, 2025
5:30 p.m.**

1. ROLL CALL

Ukiah City Council met with the Inland Power and Water Commission (IWPC) at a Special Meeting on May 29, 2025, having been legally noticed on May 23, 2025. The meeting was held in person and virtually at the following link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88249943594>. Chair Pauli called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m. Roll was taken with the following **Councilmembers Present:** Mari Rodin, Heather Criss, Susan Sher, and Douglas, F. Crane. **Councilmember Absent:** Juan V. Orozco. **IWPC Members Present:** Madeline Cline, Mari Rodin, Tom Schoeneman, John Reardan, and Janet Pauli; **City Staff Present:** Sage Sangiacomo, City Manager and Kristine Lawler, City Clerk. **IWPC Staff Present:** Candace Horsley.

Also Present: **County of Mendocino Board of Supervisors** – Madeline Cline, Maureen Mulheren, John Haschak, Bernie Norvell, and Ted Williams; **Staff Present:** Atlas Pearson, Senior Deputy Clerk of the Board; **Redwood Valley County Water District Members** – Derek Dahlen, Bree Klotter, Tom Schoeneman, Ken Todd, and Adam Gaska; **Russian River Flood Control District Members** – Dave Koball, John Reardan, Chris Watt; **Members Absent:** Tyler Rodrique and John Bailey; **Staff Present:** Elizabeth Salomone, General Manager; **Potter Valley Irrigation District Members** – Guinness McFadden, Dan Thornton, Janet Pauli, and Steve Guintini; **Member Absent:** Mac Magruder. **Staff Present:** Don Brown, Superintendent; Cliff Paulin, Legal Counsel; and Michelle Ricetti, Secretary/Treasurer.

IWPC CHAIR PAULI PRESIDING.

2. AUDIENCE COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA ITEMS

No public comments on non-agenda items were received.

3. IWPC ALL BOARDS WORKSHOP – INFORMATION BRIEFING – Issues Related to the Water Supply from PG&E's Potter Valley Project

a. Context: PG&E and the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC).

Presenter: Scott Shapiro, IWPC Legal Counsel.

No public comment was received.

Report was received.

b. Proposal for a New Diversion Structure: the New Eel-Russian Facility (NERF).

Presenters: Tom Johnson, IWPC Consulting Engineer and Scott Shapiro, IWPC Legal Counsel.

Public Comment: Ed Nickerman;

PowerPoint Presentation and report were received.

c. The Water Diversion Agreement – Framework for the Right to Divert Water.

Presenter: Scott Shapiro, IWPC Legal Counsel.

No public comment was received.

PowerPoint Presentation and report were received.

d. The Need for Additional Storage of Water in the Russian Watershed (U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Feasibility Study and Other Storage Options).

Presenter: Eric Nagy, Larsen Wurzel & Associates (LWA).

No public comment was received.

PowerPoint Presentation and report were received.

e. Next Steps: Likely Costs, Needed Actions, and Timing.

Presenters: Scott Shapiro, IWPC Legal Counsel; Eric Nagy, Larsen Wurzel & Associates (LWA); and Tom Johnson, IWPC Consulting Engineer.

PowerPoint Presentation and report were received.

Alison McLeod, KP Public Affairs, gave an online presentation and handouts were provided.

Public Comment: Sarah Schuyler and Ed Nickerman.

David Manning, Sonoma Water Environmental Resources Manager presented comments at the request of Mr. Shapiro.

BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ADJOURNED AT 8:27 P.M.

ALL BOARDS ADJOURNED TO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:27 P.M.

RECESS: 8:27 – 8:40 P.M.

4. CLOSED SESSION

a. Conference with Real Property Negotiators (Gov't Code §54956.8)

Property: PG&E Potter Valley Project

Agency Negotiators: Scott Shapiro, Janet Pauli, Tom Johnson

Negotiating Parties: IWPC and PG&E

Under Negotiation: Price and Terms

ALL BOARDS RETURNED TO OPEN SESSION AT 9:06 P.M.

b. Report out of Closed Session.

No action was reported; direction was provided to staff.

5. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 9:08 p.m.



Kristine Lawler, City Clerk