

**SANTA ROSA BOARD OF PUBLIC UTILITIES MEETING MINUTES
THURSDAY, MARCH 6, 2014
CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBER, 100 SANTA ROSA AVENUE
REGULAR MEETING**

1:30 p.m. Mayor's Conference Room – Room 10

ROLL CALL

Present (6) Vice Chair Galvin, Board Members Arnone, Dowd, Holt, Kaun and Steffensen

Absent (1) Chairman Gale

STATEMENTS OF ABSTENTION BY BOARD MEMBERS

No statements of abstention were made.

STUDY SESSION

3.1 WATER AND SEWER RATE LOW INCOME ASSISTANCE

BACKGROUND: The Board of Public Utilities and the City Council asked staff to research options to provide rate assistance to low income customers. Staff will update the Board on the status of this request. The Board may discuss this item and give direction to staff.

Presenter: Linda Reed, Administrative Services Officer – Budget

No action was taken by the Board.

MINUTES APPROVAL

Board Member Dowd moved the approval of the minutes for February 6, 2014 and February 20, 2014. The motion was seconded by Board Member Holt. AYES (6) NO (0) ABSENT (1) Gale ABSTAIN (0)

STAFF BRIEFINGS – NONE

REPORT ITEMS

6.1 REPORT – WATER SUPPLY UPDATE

BACKGROUND: Staff will update the Board on water supply issues. The Board may discuss this item and give direction to staff.

Presenter: David Guhin, Director of Utilities

7. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON NON-AGENDA MATTERS – NONE

8. REFERRALS - NONE

9. WRITTEN COMMUNICATION (And Possible Board Action) - NONE

10. SUBCOMMITTEE REPORTS

Board Member Dowd reported that the Budget Review Subcommittee continues to meet 2 to 3 times per month.

11. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS - NONE

12. DIRECTORS REPORT

David Guhin, Director of Utilities provided an update on the efforts to secure additional bonds and will be meeting with Standard and Poor's on March 17. Staff will return to the Board in early April with the bond sale scheduled for May.

13. ADJOURNMENT OF MEETING

At 2:07 p.m. the meeting was adjourned. The next regular meeting of the Board of Public Utilities will be held on Thursday, March 20, 2014 at approximately 1:30 p.m. in the City Council Chamber, City Hall, 100 Santa Rosa Avenue, Santa Rosa.

Stephen Gale

Gina Perez