



**Grizzly Ranch Community Services District**  
**Minutes**  
**Special Meeting**  
**August 14, 2023 09:00 AM**  
**The Outpost, 300 Club House Dr Portola, 96122**  
<http://www.grizzlyranchcsd.com/>

**1. Call to Order**

The meeting was called to order at 9:00 am by President John Reynolds.

**A. Roll Call**

Present: President John Reynolds, Vice-President Kathryn Roberts, Director Betsy Oltmann, Director Stephen Tange  
Absent: Director Lori Tange  
Staff Present: General Manager Larry Smith, Business Manager Carol Logan, Treasurer Bill Desjardin

**2. Public Comments**

There was no public comment

**3. Discussion of DOWL Rate study** President John Reynolds motioned to approve. A second was made by Director Stephen Tange.

The motion passed with the following vote:

4 In Favor       Opposed  
   Abstained    1 Absent

A motion was made to set a follow up Special Meeting. The Board of Directors requested a simplified report demonstrating actual effects of this proposed rate increase. The report should provide clarity on possible outcomes to customers, and to CSD operations and revenue. The date for the Special Meeting was not yet determined, but it was suggested that two weeks should be sufficient time to create the report they would like to see.

**4. Central States Water Resources**

Discussion was held regarding Central States Water Resources, which reached out to President Reynolds directly to inquire about the District's interest in selling to the company. Several pros and cons were discussed.

Pro: they may have better access to materials, and technology for operations, possibly enabling more efficient operations.

Cons: Concerns with new rates and the removal of such decisions from those with a vested interest, lack of local representation.

It was ultimately agreed that the cons of this acquisition far outweighed the pros. No motion was made.

**5. Step Tank Retrofit**

General Manager Larry Smith provided an update on the progress of step-tank installations and particularly a new property that would benefit from a step-tank retrofit.

The Board agreed that it would make more sense to retrofit now while the property is still under construction, rather than using a grinder pump.

**6. Next Board Meeting**

The next regular Board of Directors Meeting to be held September 19, 2023 at 9:00 am.

**7. Adjournment**