

**AMADOR WATER AGENCY
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting**

September 10, 2015

MINUTES

Directors Present: Rich Farrington, President
Robert Manassero, Vice President
Paul Molinelli
Gary Thomas
Art Toy

Directors Absent: None

Staff Present: Gene Mancebo, General Manager
Josh Horowitz, Agency Counsel
Cris Thompson, Assistant General Manager
Damon Wyckoff, Operations Manager

CALL TO ORDER- President Farrington called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – Director Thomas requested a report on the fire

MOTION: It was moved by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Manassero and unanimously carried to add reporting on the Butte Mountain Fire and how it is affecting AWA operations.

General Manager Mancebo gave recognition to the employees for their efforts immediately following the start of the fire.

PUBLIC COMMENT: (16:16)
There was no public comment

CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli, seconded by Director Thomas and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda as presented (Regular Meeting minutes of August 27, 2015 and Special Meeting Minutes of August 27, 2015)

DEPARTMENT REPORTS (16:48- 33:35)

Administration/Finance
Operations

WASTEWATER SYSTEM (33:35- 55:15)

Camanche Wastewater Planning Grant

Discussion and possible action to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with State Water Resources Control Board for a Wastewater Planning Grant in the amount of \$500,000 for Lake Camanche Village

Public Comment:

Mr. Robin Peters, Cal State Engineering

MOTION:

It was moved by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Molinelli and unanimously carried to authorize the General Manager to execute an agreement with State Water Resources Control Board for a Wastewater Planning Grant in the amount of \$500,000 for Lake Camanche Village

WATER SYSTEMS (55:17- 55:35)

Kobrin Foothill Development, Inc.

Discussion and possible action to authorize Kobrin Foothill Development, Inc. to transfer metered service from 2946 Grapevine Gulch, Unit 1 to lot 1-433 located at 2620 Village Drive Unit 1.

MOTION:

It was moved by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Manassero to authorize Kobrin Foothill Development, Inc. to transfer metered service from 2946 Grapevine Gulch, Unit 1 to lot 1-433 located at 2620 Village Drive Unit 1 at the owners expense.

Water Conservation Variance (55:37- 1:02:18)

Discussion and possible action to authorize a variance to the conservation policy for raw water landscape irrigation at the Safeway shopping center

Public Comment: Mr. Tony Swiderski

MOTION: It was moved by Director Manassero, seconded by Director Thomas and unanimously carried to grant a variance to the conservation policy for raw water landscape irrigation at the Safeway shopping center in order to save the trees, with the request that they do everything they can to minimize runoff and water waste

AGENCY GENERAL (1:03:29- 1:05:40)

ACWA Region 3 Board Ballot

Discussion and possible action to authorize staff to submit the voting ballot on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Agency, in concurrence with the Region 3 Nominating

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Committee recommendation

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli, seconded by Director Thomas and unanimously carried to authorize staff to submit the voting ballot on behalf of the Board of Directors of the Agency, in concurrence with the Region 3 Nominating Committee recommendation

AGENCY PROJECT UPDATES (1:05:42- 1:36:05)

RECESS was called at 10:39 a.m. **SESSION** resumed at 10:49 a.m.

LEGISLATIVE REPORT (1:36:07- 2:00:10)

Legal Counsel's legislative report

Discussion and possible action regarding Agency positions on pending bills

Report and discussion and possible action or direction regarding Agency positions on SB 555 (Wolk) and SB 20, possible public goods charge.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Toy, seconded by Director Molinelli and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 2015-21 opposing the State Legislature's proposal to impose a public goods charge on water and direct the General Manager to send a letter of opposition.

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS (2:00:50- 2:12)

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS (2:12:00- 2:33:01)

Briefing on Lodi Decrees

Agency Authority to sell water outside the County

CLOSED SESSION was called at 11:46 a.m.

Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) and (d)(2) – Threatened Litigation – August 31, 2015 Complaint by Ken Berry to the Fair Political Practices Commission Regarding August 12, 2015 Board Letter Concerning Drought-Related Financial Crisis

Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) and (d)(4) – Anticipated Litigation – Initiation of Litigation – One Case

Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) and (d)(2) – Threatened Litigation – August 27, 2015 Letter from Bill Condrashoff Alleging Brown Act Violation

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Public Employee Performance

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Evaluation- General Manager

OPEN SESSION resumed at 1:01 p.m.

President Farrington reported from Closed Session authorization to staff and legal counsel to formulate a response to the Fair Political Practices Commission complaint

ADJOURNMENT

President Farrington adjourned the meeting at 1:02 p.m.



Cris Thompson
Clerk of the Board of Directors

Approved: 9-24-15