

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

April 9, 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
Cris Thompson, Assistant General Manager
Josh Horowitz, Agency Counsel
Damon Wyckoff, Operations Manager
Karin Helvey, Finance Director
Connie Gagnebin, Administrative Asst

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA- None

PUBLIC COMMENT: None

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS 1.A. 2.A. and 2.B. (01:29 – 02:49)

Resolution No. 2015-06, Approving Revisions to the Administrative Policy Attachment "A" and Resolution No. 2015-08 Authorizing the General Manager to execute and the Secretary of the Board to record a Certificate of Acceptance of a Construction Easement Agreement from John and Verene Teresi and Regular Board meeting minutes of March 26, 2015

MOTION: It was moved by Director Toy, seconded by Director Thomas, and unanimously carried to approve consent agenda with a suggested revision.

DEPARTMENT REPORTS (03:53- 12:54)

Administration/Finance

Operations

Sierra Highlands Homeowners Association (12:56- 18:39)

Update regarding Sierra Highlands HOA Water Conservation Effort

Public Comment:

Sherry Curtis, Pioneer

Eileen Johnson, President of Sierra Highland HOA

WATER CONSERVATION (18:40 – 2:17:05)

Water Shortage Analysis and Strategy

Presentation by Bob Reed, by the Reed Group, Inc. regarding Water Shortage Analysis
Discussion and possible action regarding the draft Water Shortage Strategy

Public Comment:

Sherry Curtis, Pioneer

Mike Miller, RABB Park CSD

Mike Daly, City Manager, City of Jackson

Dutch Green, RABB Park CSD

Terry Strange, CCWD Director

Jeff Gardner, City Manager, City of Plymouth

(3:23:27- 3:38:54)

MOTION #1: It was moved by President Farrington, to adopt the proposed water shortage strategy by Bob Reed and include the 5% increase to service charge rate and direct staff to prepare the Prop 218 notice to send to the public and to include the transition of flat rate to metered water rates.

MOTION #1 FAILED for lack of a second

MOTION #2 – It was moved by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Toy to adopt Bob Reed's water shortage strategy as presented, and to direct staff to convert all flat rate water accounts to metered accounts such that water used will be billed on a volumetric basis and to further direct staff to initiate required Proposition 218 notices to include the water shortage rate surcharges for water service and the transition of flat rate customers to metered water rates.

Ayes: Directors Thomas, Toy, Manassero and Farrington

Noes: Director Molinelli

Absent: None

Abstain: None

RECESS was called at 11:17 a.m. **SESSION** resumed at 11:37 a.m.

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Drought Conditions Executive Order (2:18:08 - 2:39:30)

Discussion regarding Governor Brown's April 1, 2015 executive order

Public Comment:

Paul Johnston, Pine Grove CSD

Drought Committee (2:39:35 – 2:48:47)

Discussion and possible action regarding Drought Committee recommendation to eliminate flat rate pricing

AWA Water Code Section 2.19 Water Conservation (2:48:48 - 3:06:35)

Discussion and possible adoption of Resolution No. 2015-07; Revisions to the Water Code Section 2.19- Water Conservation Policy

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli, seconded by Director Thomas and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution No. 2015-07: Revisions to the Water Code 2.19, motion amended to accept suggested revisions to the Resolution

(3:06:42 – 3:39:00)

Discussion and possible action to declare a Stage 2 or higher Water Alert in accordance with the Governors Statewide Mandatory Water Reductions

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli, seconded by Director Thomas and unanimously carried to Declare a Stage 2 Water Warning with a water reduction of 25% or higher Water Alert in accordance with the Governors Statewide Mandatory Water Reductions

Ayes: Directors Molinelli, Thomas and Farrington

Noes: Directors Toy and Manassero

Absent: None

Abstain: None

AGENCY WATER (3:39:06 - 3:58:59)

Pine Grove CSD Presentation

Presentation by Director Jay Ollig, Pine Grove CSD regarding their water line project
Discussion and possible action regarding cost sharing in the water line project

MOTION: It was moved by Director Toy, seconded by Director Manassero and unanimously carried to approve the cost share for the Pine Grove Water line project at 17% of documented total project cost up to \$85,000.

RECESS was called at 1:18 p.m. **SESSION** resumed at 2:31 p.m.

Wild and Scenic River Designation (no staff report) (4:01:46- 4:35:46)

Discussion regarding participation in a Collaborative Effort for and Wild and Scenic Direction was given to the General Manager and the Ad-hoc committee to participate in a Collaborative Effort regarding Wild and Scenic

Public Comment:

Sherry Curtis, Pioneer

CAWP Wholesale (4:35:56 - 4:49:33)

Discussion to consider the Agency System Wide Water Rate Structure for CAWP Wholesale Customers

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli, seconded by Director Thomas and unanimously carried to direct staff to proceed and prepare the necessary contracts to move the CAWP contract customers to Wholesale Customers within the Agency System Wide Water Rate Structure.

AGENCY PROJECT UPDATES (4:49:45 – 5:01:08)

AGENCY COUNSEL REPORT (5:01:10 - 5:06:40)

Legislative Report
Other Matters

COMMITTEE REPORTS (5:06:59 – 5:32:05)

- A. Budget and Finance Committee 4-08-15
- B. Engineering Committee 4-08-15
- C. Fire Protection Committee 04-07-15
- D. CAWP District Meeting 04-07-15
- E. Personnel Committee 03-26-15

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

FERC 137 Recreational flows
Fire Cooperation Policy 3190 review and report
Proposed Hiring and Spending Freeze on any new projects
Boy Scout Resolution
Inflationary increase
Surplus Property

CLOSED SESSION was called at 4:12 p.m.

Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a)- Pending Litigation- Kenneth Perano and Ken Berry vs Amador Water Agency (Amador Superior Court Case No. 12-CV-7718)

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Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) - Anticipated Litigation - Initiation of litigation – One Case.

OPEN SESSION resumed at 4:16 p.m. with nothing to report

ADJOURNMENT

President Farrington adjourned the meeting at 4:17 p.m.



Cris Thompson
Clerk of the Board of Directors

Approved: 4/23/15