

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

December 8, 2016

MINUTES

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

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

CALL TO ORDER- President Manassero called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – None

PUBLIC COMMENT: Mr. Bill Condrashoff requested to move Board of Directors appointment discussion up to accommodate members of the public- it was moved to discuss after department reports.

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (0:2:59- 3:15)

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli, seconded by Director Thomas and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda items 1.A Regular Board Meeting Minutes of November 10, 2016 and Accounts Payable for October, 2016 and November, 2016

DEPARTMENT REPORTS (00:3:17- 12:08)

Administration/Finance
Operations

Public Comment:
Mr. Bill Condrashoff

Board of Directors (13:06- 1:02:57)

Discussion and possible action regarding the resignation of District 1 Director Paul Molinelli effective December 31, 2016, and process for replacing Director Molinelli by appointment, special election, or selection by Board of Supervisors

MOTION: It was moved by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Molinelli, and unanimously carried to advertise for the District 1 vacancy, receive applications, appoint an Adhoc Committee of two directors to interview applicants and report to the whole Board to make a selection.

Public Comment:

Ms. Carole Marz
Mr. Casey Emerson
Ms. Debbie Dunn
Mr. Sean Kriletich
Mr. Marcus Boggs
Mr. Bill Condrashoff
Mr. David Evitt
Ms. Laura Boggs
Mr. Neil Williamson

President Manassero appointed Directors Farrington and Toy to the Ad hoc committee.

AGENCY GENERAL

Board Recognition (1:03:10- 1:04:12)

Adoption of Resolution No. 2016-24 Honoring Bob Valdez for his service as Inspector of the Amador Water Agency

MOTION: It was moved by Director Thomas, seconded by Director Toy and unanimously carried to table the adoption of the Resolution No. 2016-24 Honoring Bob Valdez for his years of service upon his retirement so that Bob may be present

AWA Board of Directors (1:04:13- 1:07:15)

Oath of Office – Swearing in of Directors Thomas and Farrington

Election of Officers for 2017 (1:07:24- 1:11:02)

President, Vice President, Secretary, and Clerk of the Board

President Manassero declared the nominations open:

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli, seconded by Director Farrington to nominate Gary Thomas as President of the Board, Art Toy as Vice President of the Board, Gene Mancebo as Secretary of the Board and Cris Thompson as Clerk of the Board

MOTION: It was moved by Director Farrington, seconded by Director Thomas, and unanimously carried to close the Board nominations

Call for vote on the nominations:

Ayes: Directors Molinelli, Manassero, Farrington, Toy and Thomas

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

Motion was unanimously carried.

RECESS was called at 10:13 a.m. **SESSION** resumed at 10:28 a.m.

President Thomas proceeded to chair the meeting

Board Calendar (1:11:14- 1:13:05)

Approval of the 2017 Board Calendar

MOTION: It was moved by Director Manassero, seconded by Director Molinelli and unanimously carried to approve the 2017 Board Calendar as presented

2017 Committee Assignments (1:13:06- 1:17:20)

Discussion and approval of the draft Committee Assignments for 2017

MOTION: It was moved by Director Toy, seconded by Director Manassero and unanimously carried to approve the 2017 Committee Assignments

Personnel Matters (1:17:32- 1:45:16)

Discussion and possible action to approve the job description and salary range for Resident Engineer Position

Public Comment:

Mr. Casey Emerson

MOTION: It was moved by Director Toy, seconded by Director Manassero and unanimously carried to approve the job description and salary range for Resident Engineer Position

Discussion and possible authorization to the General Manager to begin the process to fill the Resident Engineer position

MOTION: It was moved by Director Manassero, seconded by Director Molinelli and

carried to authorize the General Manager to begin the process to fill the Resident Engineer position

Ayes: Directors Manassero, Molinelli, Toy and Thomas

Noes: Director Farrington

Absent: None

Abstain: None

AGENCY PROJECT UPDATES (1:45:17- 2:09:40)

Public Comment

Mr. Casey Emerson

WATER SYSTEMS (2:10:12- 2:13:44)

Water Sales and Production

Update regarding current water sales and water production

Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) (2:13:56- 2:33:54)

Discussion and possible direction to the General Manager and staff regarding the proposed Joint Powers Agreement for Formation and Operation of a SGMA Groundwater Sustainability Agency in Amador County among the Agency, Amador County, and JVID, and to: (a) bring the proposed agreement back to the Board for final approval at its January 12, 2017 meeting; (b) set a public hearing at the January 12, 2017 Board meeting for approving the Agency's participation in the Authority and to file a notice with the Department of Water Resources of the Authority's election to become the County GSA as soon as the County and JVID approve the agreement; and (c) publish the notice of public hearing before the January 12, 2017 Board meeting as required by SGMA.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Toy, seconded by Director Molinelli and unanimously carried to accept the recommendation regarding SGMA as written in the agenda packet.

Governor's Executive Order B-37-16 (2:33:55- 3:11:37)

Update from Executive Order B-37-16 Ad Hoc Committee and possible direction regarding the Agency's response to and engagement with the SWRCB's urban water conservation framework Implementation Plan

RECESS was called at 12:30 p.m. **SESSION** resumed 12:34 p.m.

ACWA CONFERENCE (3:11:57- 3:38:41)

Report on attendance by Managers Mancebo, Wyckoff and Gish

**MANAGER'S REPORT and ASSISTANT MANAGER'S REPORT
(3:38:50- 3:50:18)**

LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT (3:50:21- 3:59:01)

- A. Legislative report
- B. Discussion and possible action regarding Agency positions on pending bills
- C. Other Legal Matters

COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS (4:17:16- 4:21:15)

Budget and Finance Committee (12-7-16)

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS (4:21:35)

None

CLOSED SESSION was called at 1:45 p.m.

Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Sections 54956.9(a) and (d)(1) -
- Existing Litigation – Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, et al. v. Amador Water Agency, et al. (Amador Superior Court Case No. 16-CVC-09564/Third District Court of Appeal Case No. C081757).

Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) –
Pending Litigation - Amador Water Agency v. Lazy Creek Family Trust, et al. (Amador Superior Court Case No. 15-CV-9203).

OPEN SESSION RESUMED at 1:52 p.m with nothing to report

ADJOURNMENT

President Manassero adjourned the meeting at 1:53 p.m.



Cris Thompson

Clerk of the Board of Directors

Approved: _____
