AMADOR WATER AGENCY
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
12800 Ridge Road, Sutter Creek, CA 95685
August 10, 2017
9:00 a.m.
Website Address: www.amadorwater.org

Please Note:
Members of the public will have the opportunity to directly address the Agency Board of Directors concerning any item listed on the Agenda below before or during consideration of that item. There is a three minute time limit per person.
In order to better accommodate members of the public, some Agenda Items will be heard at a specified time or soon thereafter. Agenda Items without specific times may be rearranged to accommodate the Board’s schedule.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

2. ADDITIONS TO AGENDA
   Items added to the agenda must be approved by the Board pursuant to Government Code Section 54954.2

3. EMPLOYEE RECOGNITION
   A. Recognition and appreciation of the Administrative Team for their efforts to reduce accounts receivable

4. PUBLIC COMMENT FOR MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA
   A. Discussion items only, no action to be taken. Any person may address the Board at this time upon any subject within the jurisdiction of Amador Water Agency; however, any matter that requires action will be referred to Staff for a report and action at a subsequent Board meeting. Please note there is a three (3) minute time limit per person.

5. CONSENT AGENDA
   A. Items listed on the consent agenda (see attached) are considered routine and may be enacted by one motion. Any item may be removed for discussion and made a part of the regular agenda at the request of a Board member(s).

6. DEPARTMENT REPORTS
   Staff Reports will be provided by Managers to update the Board of Directors on current activities within their areas of responsibility
   A. Administration/Finance
   B. Operations
7. AGENCY GENERAL
   A. Amador County Assessor
      1. Update regarding Amador County property tax revenues from Jim Rooney, Amador
         County Assessor

   B. River Pines Public Utility District
      1. Discussion and possible direction to staff to prepare conditional merger documents for
         accepting River Pines Public Utilities District into the Amador Water Agency

   C. Fixed Asset Depreciation Schedule
      1. Discussion and possible action to approve the revised fixed asset depreciation schedule

8. WASTEWATER SYSTEM
   A. Martell Wastewater Customer Request
      1. Discussion and possible action to consider a wastewater fee waiver request from Victory
         Village, Inc.

9. LEGAL COUNSEL’S REPORT
   A. Legislative report
   B. Discussion and possible action regarding Agency positions on pending bills
      1. SB 623
   C. Other Legal Matters

10. COMMITTEE REPORTS AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS
    A. Jackson Outreach Committee
    B. AC/GMA
    C. River Pines Ad Hoc

11. FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS
    A. This item is to provide the Board Members an opportunity to request items to be placed on
       future agendas.

12. CLOSED SESSION
    A. Conference With Legal Counsel Pursuant To Government Code Section 54956.9(D)(1) – Existing
       Administrative Proceedings – State Water Resources Control Board Bay-Delta Water Quality Control
       Plan Update Proceeding.

    B. Conference with Labor Negotiators Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 (Gene
       Mancebo, Karen Gish, Gary Thomas, Rich Farrington) - AWA Employee Association Bargaining Unit.

    C. Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Public Employee Performance Evaluation- General
       Manager.

13. ADJOURNMENT
AMADOR WATER AGENCY
CONSENT AGENDA
August 10, 2017

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1. MINUTES
   A. Approval of minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of July 27, 2017

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AMADOR WATER AGENCY  
Board of Directors  
Regular Meeting  
July 27, 2017  

MINUTES  

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

Directors Absent: Robert Manassero  

Staff Present: Gene Mancebo, General Manager  
Cris Thompson, Clerk of the Board  
Damon Wyckoff, Operations Manager  

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – None  

PUBLIC COMMENT: None  

CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS (0:00-0:1:00)  

MOTION: It was moved by Director Farrington, seconded by Director Molinelli Jr. and carried to approve the consent agenda with suggested revisions.  

Ayes: Directors Molinelli Jr., Farrington and Toy  
Noes: None  
Absent: Director Manassero  
Abstain: Director Thomas  

PROJECT UPDATES (02:51- 38:34)
AGENCY GENERAL (38:37 - 45:04)
Public Hearing- Delinquent Water and Wastewater Standby Accounts
Discussion and possible adoption of Resolution No. 2017-11 Transferring Delinquencies to the County Tax Rolls
President Thomas declared the public hearing duly noticed and open at 9:41 a.m.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli Jr, seconded by Director Farrington and carried to close public hearing.

Ayes: Directors Molinelli Jr., Farrington, Toy and Thomas
Noes: None
Absent: Director Manassero
Abstain: None

MOTION: It was moved by Director Farrington, seconded by Director Molinelli Jr. and carried to adopt Resolution 2017-11, adopting the written report of the Clerk of the Board on delinquent standby charges / assessments and authorizing their collection on the County Tax Rolls

Ayes: Directors Molinelli Jr., Farrington, Toy and Thomas
Noes: None
Absent: Director Manassero
Abstain: None

Financial System Recommendations Update 45:05 - 1:27:25)
Update regarding financial systems analysis recommendations

Suggested financial policy recommendations were sent to Budget and Finance Committee for review

RECESS was called at 10:27 a.m. SESSION resumed at 10:43 a.m.

Westover Field Airport (1:27:30 - 1:56:10)
Discussion regarding the draft land use compatibility plan and the potential effects on the use of Agency property in the future.

No action taken

WATER SYSTEM (1:56:30 - 2:00:14)
Temporary Internal Construction Loan
Discussion and possible adoption of Resolution No 2017-10 creating a revolving loan for the purpose of short-term construction financing from the Amador Water System Wastewater Capital Cash Participation Fee reserve account to the Amador Water Agency Water Construction fund cash account.
MOTION: It was moved by Director Farrington, seconded by Director Toy and carried to adopt Resolution No 2017-10 creating a revolving loan for the purpose of short-term construction financing from the Amador Water System Wastewater Capital Cash Participation Fee reserve account to the Amador Water Agency Water Construction fund cash account for an amount not to exceed $350,000.

Ayes: Directors Molinelli Jr., Farrington, Toy and Thomas
Noes: None
Absent: Director Manassero
Abstain: None

COMMITTEE REPORTS (2:00:16- 2:11:59)
Budget and Finance (07-21-17)
Engineering and Planning (07-25-17)

GENERAL MANAGER’S REPORT (2:12:00- 3:13:09)
President Thomas appointed an ad hoc committee to work through the acquisition request made by River Pines PUD


FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS – (3:39:45- 3:43:41)

CLOSED SESSION was called at 1:00 p.m.
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).

Conference with Labor Negotiators Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6 (Gene Mancebo, Karen Gish, Gary Thomas, Rich Farrington) - AWA Employee Association Bargaining Unit.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957 Public Employee Performance Evaluation- General Manager.
OPEN SESSION resumed at 1:10 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT
President Thomas adjourned the meeting at 1:11 p.m. with nothing to report.

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Cris Thompson
Clerk of the Board of Directors
Approved: _______________________

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ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT REPORT

Customer Service/Human Resources:

- The 2017/2018 (7/1/17 – 6/30/18) Safety Statistics for Agency staff are:
  - Lost time worker’s comp incident: 0 (date of last incident: 12/12/16)
  - Other Worker Comp incident: 0 (date of last incident: 5/10/17)
  - First Aid incident: 0
  - Avoidable vehicle accident: 0
  - Unavoidable vehicle accident: 0
- Training: Randall-ArcFlash software training
- Certifications/Renewals: None
- Staffing: Advertising for Distribution Lead; Chris Wilson, Utility II-Canal started 7/5/17
- Liens filed: 2 - $241.26
- Liens Released: 0
- Total Liens filed for the Agency 307- total dollar amount $285,303
- Annual Assessments billed in July

Finance/Accounting:

Water Sales Revenues through the month of July are $737,843

Wastewater Sales Revenues through the month of July are $146,802

Reimbursements received: $276,563.09

Outstanding Reimbursements as of 07/31/17 are approximately $629,370.17

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Prepared by: Karen Gish – HR / Office Manager
Tracey Hays - Finance Manager
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Operations Report

Covering July 1 – July 31, 2017

Operations Manager:
1. Continued work with FEMA to develop damage description and dimensions for infrastructure affected by February storms
2. Met with First Mace Meadows Water Association to discuss providing SCADA access to their operations staff.
3. Assisted in the selection of a Technical Advisor for the Cosumnes Sub-Basin Working Group in accordance with the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)
4. Met with City of Lone to discuss existing water system pressures and flow within the City limits as affected by the loss of the Preston Pump Station and AWA solutions.
5. Met with Amador County Planning director, to discuss the Proposed Draft Airport Land Use Commission Plan and its effect on AWA property.
6. Attended the Sloughhouse Resource Conservation District Board meeting on behalf of Amador County Groundwater Management Authority to attend a presentation on SGMA by the Water Forum and participated in the following discussion.
7. Worked with Agency staff (Water Treatment, Distribution, Regulatory Compliance, and Construction) to remediate the taste and odor issues in the City of Lone. Gave tours of Lone Reservoir and Lone plant to area residents.

Admin Assist III:
2. Working on CMMS/Springbrook software integration
3. Accompanied Operations Manager on tours of Lone Reservoir and water treatment plant.
4. Provided written Taste and Odor responses to Mule Creek State Prison
5. Boil Advisory lift calls made for Sutter Creek line break.
6. Facebook- Created posts of on-going work/ projects by AWA crews. Posted leaks/breaks updates and responded to customers on numerous sites regarding taste and odor issues in lone.
7. Met with a representative from ATS Smart Solutions on a product called Earthtec. Working with regulator to approve using it for possible future taste and odor issues caused by Geosmin algae.
8. Took samples of water to be ran for Cyantoxins to a lab in Sacramento. Results were non-detect.
9. Provided data to Agency consultant for water balance development of Lk Camanche, Gayla Manor and Eagles Nest wastewater systems.

Water Treatment Plants:
1. Worked to address taste and odor issues in Lone by making chemical adjustments, flushing, customer contact, reservoir management, tank maintenance and filter cleaning. Coordinated with Distribution on flushing and demand.
2. Buckhorn plant – Clean in Place completed 7/11-7/12.
3. Operators assisted with SCADA operation for Mace Meadows flow test at MM2 tank.
4. Operators continue to address issues associated with inadequate infiltration system at PG&E @ Tiger Creek plant that was damaged by winter storms.
Wastewater:
1. Continued to mow, spray and weed-eat at all systems and removed debris from Gayla sprayfields
2. Continue to monitor and operate Pine Grove Camp wastewater system
3. Continue to drop all storage ponds before Oct. 1st.
4. Continue to monitor Pond #7 at Mace Meadows Golf Course receiving Buckhorn WTP's backwash water.
5. Began annual septic tank inspections

Engineering
1. Agency Projects:
   a. CDBG Buckhorn Ridge/Carson: 95% complete, Paving scheduled for next week. Scheduled completion date: Aug. 25, 2017
   b. Ione WTP Expansion: Bid documents under final review.
   c. New York Ranch Rd Intersection: Signal is operational
   d. Buckhorn WTP DBP & Recycling: Backfill around concrete structures. 36% complete.
   e. Lake Camanche Tank 9 & Intertie: 50% 12” pipe installed, 30% electrical installed and 40% of tank completed.
   f. Highway 88 overlay: No activity related to AWA
   g. Sutter Creek Bridge: Concurrence from City that AWA has prior right. Plan review pending
   h. Badger Street Bridge: No activity related to AWA
   i. Ione Hydroelectric: Met with California Energy Commission regarding grant implementation.
   j. CDAA Storm Repairs- Meetings and site visits with FEMA personnel at:
      i. Preston Pump Station Improvements
      ii. Amador Canal
      iii. Eggiman Lane
   k. Tanner Backwash Recycling: Requests for engineering proposals issued. Due back 8/16/17
   l. Replacement of 6 tanks (Fire Hazard Mitigation): No activity

2. Developer Projects:
   a. Wildflower (Ione) Developer bonded for remaining work, homes under construction
   b. Castle Oaks 4 & 7 (Ione): Punch list work pending. Homes under construction
   c. ARCO (Martell): No activity related to AWA
   d. Ventosa Collina (Sutter Creek): Post-construction items under review
   e. Washington Place (Ione): Design underway
   f. East Ridge Business Park (Sutter Creek): Construction on hold pending PG&E pole relocation.
   g. Well Space (Martell) Inspection underway

Electrical:
1. Failures:
   c. AWA Wide Area Network (WAN) failed. Radio equipment failed due to high heat. Camanche system back up.
   e. Doosan Generator failed. Wired around interlock switch until further repairs can be made.
   g. Buckhorn Wide Area Network (WAN) failed twice. Bad Volcano internet modem. Modem was replaced.
   h. Administrative building electrical circuit cut through by D&M Heating and Air. Repaired.
i. Buckhorn Integrators meeting with TCI and contractors. Provided SCADA system files, drawings and HMI specifications to implement Buckhorn Disinfection By-Product equipment.

Construction:
1. Replaced broken fire hydrant on N. Camanche Parkway
2. Picked up and hauled granular activated carbon (GAC) to lone plant. Cleaned filters and added GAC to help eliminate taste and odor issues.
3. Repaired (welded) a leak on the Ridgeway pneumatic tank
4. Installed 2 valves at lone Elementary school for fire loop.

Distribution:
1. Service line leak repairs:
   a. Sunrise Court (CAWP 20 gpm)
   b. Marilyn Lane (CAWP, 50 gpm)
   c. Quail Hill Court (Camanche, 5 gpm)
2. Main breaks:
   a. Lake Court (CAWP, 100 gpm)
   b. S. Buena Vista (lone, 50 gpm)
3. Fire hydrant replacement N. Camanche Parkway
4. Fire flow test Oak Ridge Drive (lone)
5. Rebuilt tank valve at Tank (CAWP)
6. lone taste and odor response
   a. lone Reservoir tour
   b. Flushing
   c. Meeting with customers
   d. Sampling

Canal:
1. Leak Repairs:
   a. Waste gate #22 (Hamrick’s Grade, 5 gpm)
   b. Waste gate #9 (W. Clinton Rd, 10 gpm)
2. Berm Leak Repairs:
   a. Mile marker 4.50 (Clinton Rd, 15 gpm)
   b. Canal By-Pass pump Station (Ridge Rd, 10 gpm)
3. 6 meter repairs, upper canal

Prepared by: Damon Wyckoff, Operations Manager
## River Pines Dept Report

### July Water Production/Sold

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### Damon-

- Continued to work with RP General Manager and AWA's Electrical Supervisor on developing AWA SCADA access to facilities.
- Worked with RPPUD Engineering consultant on water balance for the wastewater treatment facility.

### Andrea-

- Completed 2nd quarter and June monthly reporting for water and wastewater.
- On-going work with regulator on scheduling his annual inspection.
- Citation response for failed backflow testing.

### Construction-

- 7/5/17 finished tractor clearing and ditching in WW sprayfield and around ponds to capture run off.
- 7/27/17 Service line leak repair.

### Wastewater-

- Sprayfield irrigation controller is malfunctioning and needed to be reprogrammed and reset.
- Installed new irrigation pump.
- Clearing sprayfields to gain access to solenoid valves.
- Monitoring all liftstations.
- Replaced O-rings at irrigation meter.
- Cleaning around plant area.
- Influent flow: 684,500 gallons
- Effluent Discharged: 630,000 gallons.

### Water-

- Provided system coverage and coordinated with fire personnel during the Mt Aukum fire on 7/26. Investigated a leak at this time and operated Well 6R in emergency situation to provide additional water to replenish tanks for filling fire tankers.
- Investigated leak on Emigrant Trail and met with customer.
- Responded to customers on taste and odor calls on Pine Ave and Pigeon Trail caused by heavy draws from fire Dept. during the fire.
- Attended meeting with Kasl Engineering and D&N regarding circle tank replacement and relocation.
- Completed all routine well and distribution system sampling for July.

**Electrical/Instrumentation**-

- Wastewater plant:
  - Direct cable wires exposed. Repairs made to wires and cable.
  - Submersible motor installed
  - Sprayfield flow meter failed. Realigned meter head on top of gear assembly. Tested. All good.
- Wide Area Network (WAN) security issues- Currently in progress. Preliminary redesign and installation of new WAN with system connectivity to AWA systems behind SonicWALL firewall.
City of Plymouth Dept Report

Damon-

- Met with City of Plymouth to evaluate the water treatment plant including maintenance and sampling.

Andrea-

- Completed monthly and 2nd quarter water reporting
- Completed Operational Evaluation report on Disinfection By-Products for TTHM exceedance.
- Completed citation response for missed Bacteriological sample in June.
- Prepared Notification letter to Plymouth’s customers regarding the missed sample and what is being done about it. Received Proof of Notification back and will forward all compliance related items to the Division.
- Completed a Stage 2 Disinfection By-Products plan and submitted to the Division. It was approved.
- Submitted new Bacteriological Sample Siting Plan to the Division for routine sampling. It was approved.

Water-

- Met with City of Plymouth to evaluate the water treatment plant including maintenance and sampling.
- Operator took Total Organic Compound (TOC) samples at Tanner and Plymouth to compare results. Plymouth exceeded the MCL for Disinfection By-Products (TTHMs) at Village Dr. Using sample results and other data such as chlorine residual and water age to determine what is causing the exceedance. The DBPs for Tanner are in compliance.
- Operator sampled for missed bacteriological samples according to citation from the Division
- Operator took routine monthly samples for July

Construction-

- Leak repair on Main Street
STAFF REPORT

Asset Life Schedule

**Requested Action:**
Approve the attached Asset Life Schedule and direct staff to create a policy utilizing the schedule for depreciation.

**Background:**
During the review of the recent participation fee study, Board members recognized that certain assets were not included in the “Buy-in Methodology” for calculating the participation fees even though there was remaining life in the assets. Staff was requested to review the asset life schedule for Agency facilities. Staff reviewed the current Agency schedules and those available from the State Controller and then developed a new asset life schedule based on knowledge and actual useful life of Agency facilities. The most significant change is proposed for pipelines. Materials, manufacturing, and installation process/procedures have improved over the last 100 years and the useful life of pipelines has increased as well, especially with the use of ductile iron and Polyvinyl Chloride (PVC) pipeline variations. The Agency staff has taken a coupon sample of a pipe installed in the late 1920s and found the pipe to be in excellent condition. This provides an excellent example and support for using a life of 85 years for pipelines.

The schedule was reviewed by the Engineering and Planning Committee who recommended approval by the Board.

**Alternatives:**
Not approve the recommended schedule or the Board could revise the schedule and/or request additional information.

**Fiscal Impact:**
The resulting increased asset life will reduce the depreciation rate and during the next participation fee review would increase usable asset life and result in a higher than otherwise participation fee schedule under the buy-in methodology. There is no specific speculation as to how much participation fees might increase as a result of this change and associated participation fee revenue.
Reviewed by Committee:

Yes, this asset life schedule was reviewed and recommended for approval by the Engineering and Planning Committee

Staff Recommendation:

Approve the attached Asset Life Schedule and direct staff to create a policy utilizing the schedule for depreciation.

Prepared by: Gene Mancebo, General Manager
Amador Water Agency
Asset Life Schedule

Facilities
1. Water Treatment Plant  40 Years
2. Wastewater Treatment Plant  40 Years
3. General Building/Structures  40 Years
4. Water and Wastewater Pipelines  85 Years
5. Pump/Lift Station  50 Years
6. Pressure Reducing Station  50 Years
7. Groundwater Wells  50 Years
8. Water Storage Tanks  60 Years

Individual Items
1. Sewer Manhole  50 Years
2. Shop/Field Tools  15 Years
3. Water Meters  20 Years
4. Fire Hydrants  50 Years
5. Lab Equipment  10 Years
6. Office Furniture/Equipment  15 Years
7. Emergency Generators  25 Years
8. Backhoe, Excavator, Heavy Equipment  17 Years
9. Service Trucks  07 Years
10. Vacuum soil/sludge removal Equipment  15 Years
Amador Water Agency  
12800 Ridge Road  
Sutter Creek, CA 95685

To Whom it may Concern,

Amador County issued a Use Permit to Victory Village, Inc., at 12408 Kennedy Flat Road, Jackson, CA, on July 14th, 2016. This Use Permit changed the use of the property to a 20-bed Transitional Housing Facility as defined in California Health & Safety Code 50801(j). Due to our location, we receive our sewer service through Amador Water Agency and our water through City of Jackson. Our current sewer bill from AWA includes an additional commercial rate. We are requesting a waiver of the fee as we have officially changed the use of the building to a residential capacity.

Victory Village’s Transitional Housing Facility is not supported by any grant; all staff members for this program are volunteer. The facility is solely supported by community donations, fundraisers, and program fees; but most veterans receive charity beds. Victory Village has received a federal grant from the Department of Veterans Affairs for the past three fiscal years but this grant is administrative and can only be utilized to rehouse and stabilize veterans into permanent housing. The federal grant does not allow for transitional housing costs which includes all utility and water/sewer bills or anything the veterans may need while they stay at the transitional housing facility.

Sincerely,

Nichole Mulford  
Executive Director

November 17, 2016
AMADOR COUNTY

USE PERMIT CERTIFICATE

Use Permits, revocable, conditional, or valid for a specified period may be issued for any of the uses or purposes for which such permits are required or permitted by the terms of Title 19 (Zoning), Chapter 19.56 (Use Permits) of the Amador County Code.

The Amador County Planning Commission does hereby grant a Use Permit to Victory Village, Incorporated (Jason Mulford, Operator).

Project Description: Use Permit to allow a 20-bed Transitional Housing facility as defined by California Health & Safety Code 50801(i).

Use Permit Number: UP-14-4-4
Date Use Permit Issued: July 14, 2016
Expiration Date (if applicable): Not Applicable

Project Proponent Information
a) Property Owner Name: Victory Village, Inc.
b) Address: 12408 Kennedy Flat Road, Jackson, CA 95642

Property Information
a) Assessor’s Parcel Number: 044-040-028-000
b) Location: 12408 Kennedy Flat Road, Jackson, CA 95642

Terms of Use Permit: Refer to conditions of approval (as attached, or on file with the Planning Department).

The Amador County Planning Commission has authorized the Planning Department staff to issue this Use Permit with the conditions and terms as described above.

Chuck Beatty, Planner III
Amador County Planning Department

Planning Department Representative