

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

August 9, 2018

MINUTES

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

Directors Absent: None

Staff Present: Gene Mancebo, General Manager
Karen Gish, HR / Office Manager, Acting Board Clerk
Damon Wyckoff, Operations Manager
Tracey Hays, Finance Manager
Joshua Horowitz, Agency Legal Counsel

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

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA- None

INTRODUCTION/RECOGNITION OF NEWLY PROMOTED STAFF (00:36:00)

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA (0:03:25) – None

CONSENT AGENDA: (0:03:50) Karen Gish reported that minor changes to the July 26, 2018 minutes were provided by Director Farrington and incorporated into the minutes.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli, Jr., seconded by Director Farrington, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda item, minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of July 26, 2018.

WATER SYSTEM

Bay Area Water Supply and Conservation Agency (BAWSCA) – Presentation by Nicole Sandkulla, CEO/General Manager and Tom Francis, Water Resource Manager (0:05:11-1:00:01)

Discussion and possible direction to initiate negotiations for a one-time pilot water transfer

Public Comment:

Katherine Evitt, Foothill Conservancy

MOTION: It was moved by Director Manassero, seconded by Director Thomas, and unanimously carried to direct the General Manager to initiate negotiations for a one-time pilot water transfer with BAWSCA.

RECESS was called at 10:00 a.m.; **SESSION RESUMED** at 10:20 a.m.

Tanner Water Treatment Plant- Chlorine Tank

Discussion and possible action to authorize the purchase of a new storage tank (1:00:02-1:12:24)

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli, Jr., seconded by Director Thomas, and unanimously carried to authorize staff to proceed with the purchase of a new chlorine storage tank

Pioneer Water System Rehabilitation Project-Phase 3

USDA Rural Service's Grant & Loan, Letter of Commitment – Discussion and possible direction for the General Manager to sign the Letter of Commitment and provide Amador Water Agency's intent to enter into a grant and loan agreement (1:12:25-1:52:16)

Public Comment:

Susan Peters

MOTION: It was moved by Director Farrington, seconded by Director Molinelli, Jr., and unanimously carried to authorize the General Manager to sign the Letter of Commitment and provide the Amador Water Agency's intent to enter into a grant and loan agreement.

RECESS was called at 11:10 a.m.; **SESSION RESUMED** at 11:19 a.m.

AGENCY GENERAL

Personnel Matters – Discussion and possible action to authorize the addition of one Construction position (1:52:17)

MOTION: It was moved by Director Manassero, seconded by Director Molinelli, Jr., and unanimously carried to authorize the addition of a Construction I position to Agency staff.

Human Resources Update on Retiree Health Savings Plan and proposed Benefit Trust – Information Only (2:08:07)

WASTEWATER SYSTEMS

Amador Regional Sanitation Agency (ARSA) and alternatives for its continued operation – Information Only-No action requested (2:30:25)

Deferred to next regular Board meeting

LEGAL COUNSEL'S REPORT

Discussion and possible action regarding Agency positions on pending bills (2:20:38)

Other Legal Matters (2:24:27)

CLOSED SESSION was called at 11:51 a.m.

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

Conference with legal counsel--anticipated litigation; Government Code sections 54954.5(c) and 54956.9(a) and (d)(4); consideration of initiation of litigation involving one case.

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

OPEN SESSION resumed at 12:22 p.m.

Department Reports (2:24:45)

Administration/Finance

Operations

Engineering

**COMMITTEE REPORTS, SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS-
(2:59:10)**

Engineering Committee (07-31-18)

Personnel (08-01-18)

Upper Mokelumne River Watershed Authority (07-2718)

Amador County Groundwater Management Authority (08-06-18)

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS (3:11:32-3:13:38)

Amador Regional Sanitation Agency (ARSA)

FEMA Grants (8/23/18 meeting)

ADJOURNMENT

President Toy adjourned the meeting at 1:12 p.m.



Cris Thompson

Clerk of the Board of Directors

Approved: 9-13-18