AMADOR WATER AGENCY
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
September 13, 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
Cris Thompson, Assistant GM/ Clerk of the Board
Damon Wyckoff, Operations Manager
Darrel Evensen, Engineering 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 OF NEW EMPLOYEES AND PROMOTIONS: (00:01:00- 06:24)
Jose Cortez, Meter Reader
Steve Hess, Construction I

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA
None

CONSENT AGENDA: (06:36-08:20)

MOTION: It was moved by Director Farrington seconded by Director Thomas, and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda items
Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of 08-09-18, Accounts payable for July and August, 2018, letter of support for UMRWA Black Springs Project, Adoption of Resolutions 2018-17 and 2018-18.

WASTEWATER SYSTEM (08:20- 30:36)
Amador Regional Sanitation Agency (ARSA) and alternatives for its continued operation – Information Only-No action requested

WATER SYSTEM (30:38- 35:18)
Ione Distribution System Improvement Project
Discussion and possible action to approve of the North Arroyo Seco St. Project selection and authorize the expenditures associated.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli Jr., seconded by Director Farrington and unanimously carried to authorize staff to proceed with the North Arroyo Seco Water Main Replacement Project and fund costs exceeding the budget for distribution improvements and fire protection with participation fees which is estimated at $54,200 and authorize the General Manager to sign and file a Notice of Exemption for the project.

Ione Hydroelectric Project (35:20- 44:36)
Discussion and possible approval of Addendum #1 and to make a finding of no significant impacts or substantial increase in the severity of previously identified significant impacts under CEQA guidelines section 15162.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Farrington, seconded by Director Thomas, and unanimously carried to make a finding that the changes in the Ione CEQA project addendum and attachments will not result in any new significant impacts or substantially increase the severity of previously identified significant impacts as required under CEQA Guidelines section 15162 and that no further mitigation measures are required, and to authorize the General Manager to sign and file the Notice of Determination adopting and approving the proposed Addendum.

Public Comment:
Ms. Susan Peters

LEGAL COUNSEL’S REPORT (44:38- 1:15:07)
Legislative Report
Discussion and possible action regarding Agency positions on pending bills
Other Legal Matters

RECESS was called at 10:20 a.m. SESSION resumed at 10:26 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION was called at 10:26 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 Regular Board Meeting
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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 12:20 p.m. with direction to staff

DEPARTMENT REPORTS (1:16:02- 2:18:38)
Staff Reports will be provided by Managers to update the Board of Directors on current activities within their areas of responsibility.

Administration/Finance
Operations
Engineering

Director Manassero excused himself from the meeting at 1:03 p.m.

COMMITTEE REPORTS, SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS (2:19:28)
A. Fire Protection Committee (08-16-18)
B. Budget and Finance Committee (08-21-18)
C. ARSA (08-29-18)
D. Amador County Groundwater Management Authority (09-10-18)
E. Personnel Committee (09-12-18)

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS
None
ADJOURNMENT
President Toy adjourned the meeting at 1:40 p.m.

Cris Thompson
Clerk of the Board of Directors
Approved: 10-11-18