AMADOR WATER AGENCY
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting

September 10, 2020

MINUTES

In order to accommodate the social distancing practices required to reduce the risk of spreading COVID-19 and provide for the safety of the public, our employees and Board of Directors, the Agency will conduct its public meetings via teleconference until further notice.

OPEN SESSION

CALL TO ORDER at 9:00 a.m.

Pledge of Allegiance

ROLL CALL

Board of Directors:
Director Thomas
Director Molinelli Jr.
Director Peters
Director Livingston
Director Farrington

Staff in Attendance:
Larry McKenney, General Manager
Cris Thompson, Acting Financial Services Manager/ Clerk of the Board
Rick Ferriera, Operations & Engineering Manager
Karen Gish, HR Risk Management Manager
Joshua Horowitz, Agency Legal Counsel
Lucy Hackett, Public Relations

Public Comment: None

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA - None
CONSENT AGENDA (1:46- 3:34)

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli Jr, seconded by Director Livingston and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda, Accounts payable for August, 2020, Adoption of Resolution 2020-21 Authorizing investment of Amador Water Agency funds in the Local Agency Investment Fund, and Adoption of Resolution 2020-22- Rescinding and replacing designated portions of the Agency’s Administrative Policy Manual, approving new and replacement policies, and reconfiguring the manual.

Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: Directors Molinelli Jr., Thomas, Peters, Livingston, and Farrington
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

AGENCY GENERAL
Quarterly Investment Report (3:34- 4:46)

Line of Credit (05:05- 14:28)
Discussion and possible action to adopt Resolution 2020-23 approving the Line of Credit from American River Bank in the amount of $2,000,000 and designating the General Manager and the Acting Financial Services Manager as authorized signers on behalf of the Amador Water Agency.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Peters, seconded by Director Molinelli Jr. and unanimously carried to adopt Resolution 2020-23 approving the Line of Credit from American River Bank in the amount of $2,000,000 and designating the General Manager and the Acting Financial Services Manager as authorized signers on behalf of the Amador Water Agency.

Public Comment: None

Roll Call Vote:
Ayes: Directors Molinelli Jr., Thomas, Peters, Livingston, and Farrington
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

Committees of the Board of Directors (14:37- 40:00)
Discussion and possible action regarding current standing and adhoc committees of the Board of Directors.

MOTION: It was moved by Director Peters, seconded by Director Thomas and
unanimously carried to add Operations to the Planning and Engineering Committee title and unanimously carried to direct staff to bring back a revised/ paired down committee list to consider in the near future and to merge the OPEB and Long Range Financial Planning adhoc committees to Budget and Finance Committee.

Ayes: Directors Molinelli Jr., Thomas, Peters, Livingston, and Farrington
Noes: None
Absent: None
Abstain: None

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT and COVID 19 Update (40:08- 1:01:10)

DEPARTMENT REPORTS (1:01:15- 1:38:50)
Administration/Finance
Operations & Engineering

COMMITTEE REPORTS, SPECIAL ASSIGNMENTS AND DIRECTOR COMMENTS (1:38:54- 1:44:34)

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS (1:44:38- 1:47:35)
Internal Loans review
CFD Overview

LEGAL COUNSEL’S REPORT (1:47:41- 1:56:15)
A. Legislative report
B. Discussion and possible action regarding Agency positions on pending bills
C. Other Legal Matters

RECESS was called at 10:59 SESSION resumed at 11:05 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION was called at 11:05 a.m.
Conference with Legal Counsel -- Existing Litigation; Government Code sections 54954.5(c) and 54956.9(a) and (d)(1); State Water Resources Control Board hearing on Agency’s Petition and Application for new water right to serve the CAWP System

OPEN SESSION resumed at 11:55 a.m.

REPORT OUT FROM CLOSED SESSION:
President Farrington reported that the Board of Directors directed staff to send letters to our elected representatives regarding the State Water Resources Control Board hearing on Agency’s Petition and Application for new water right to serve the CAWP System.
The Board authorized the President to sign letters to Resources Secretary Crowfoot, and the Director of Department of Water Resources (DWR) regarding the Agency’s request for DWR to drop their protest. In addition, direction was given to send letters to Assemblyman Bigelow and Senator Borgeas with supporting documentation of the challenge, including the Amador County Board of Supervisors Resolution opposing the Department of Resources actions which are costing the rate payers money.

ADJOURNMENT
President Farrington adjourned the meeting at 11:57 a.m.

[Signature]
Cris Thompson
Clerk of the Board of Directors

Approved: 9/24/20