

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

September 24, 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 – ROLL CALL- PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board of Directors:

Director Peters
Director Thomas
Director Molinelli Jr.
Director Livingston
Director Farrington

Staff in Attendance:

Larry McKenney, General Manager
Cris Thompson, Acting Financial Services Manager/Clerk of the Board
Rick Ferriera, Operations and Engineering Manager
Karen Gish, HR/ Risk Management Manager
Lucy Hackett, PR consultant

ADDITIONS TO AGENDA - None

PUBLIC COMMENT FOR MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA- None

CONSENT AGENDA (02:14- 03:05)

MOTION: It was moved by Director Molinelli Jr, seconded by Director Peters and carried to approved the consent agenda as presented: Approval of Regular Board Meeting minutes of September 10, 2020, Special Board Meeting minutes of September
Regular Board Meeting
September 24, 2020

16, 2020 and Declaration of Surplus Property

ROLL CALL VOTE:

Ayes: Directors Peters, Molinelli Jr., Livingston, Farrington and Thomas

WATER SYSTEM

Forfeiture of Service (03:05- 21:27)

Discussion and possible direction regarding maintaining service to a property in bankruptcy proceedings, Cedar Mill Farms LLC (015616-000). The General Manager will present.

Public Comment: Mr. Bob Fine

Direction was given to authorize the General Manager to offer a stay of forfeiture through the end of October and to explore the bankruptcy filing to see if the Agency can file a claim.

AGENCY GENERAL

Raftelis Financial Consultants- Workshop (21:28- 2:31:52)

Discussion and possible action to prioritize pricing and policy objectives to be considered in the rate structure design.

Raftelis Financial Consultants presented information about the rate study and guided the board through a process for directors to provide input to the rate study on the relative priority of the Agency's goals with regard to pricing.

RECESS was called at 10:52 **SESSION** resumed at 11:00 a.m.

Direction was given to staff to clarify the pricing and policy objectives and re-distribute the ranking sheet to the Board.

COVID 19 Update; Staff Safety Measures; Leadership (2:31:55- 2:54:19)

The General Manager reported on the County's status with regard to COVID 19 and ongoing measures being taken by the Agency to protect staff. Director Livingston commented, with regard to COVID 19 and more broadly related to safety, that the Agency should not limit itself to a goal of complying with health and safety rules. The Agency should strive to create a safety-minded culture within staff, and the Agency's leadership should act accordingly. The Board generally concurred in this direction.

GENERAL MANAGER REPORT (2:54:21- 3:08:02)

The General Manager reported on upcoming projects and activities of the Agency, and upcoming events at ACWA. The Safety and Risk Management Committee will meet on October 15 jointly with the entire Board for a workshop on risk management programs.

**BOARD OF DIRECTOR DISTRICT REPORTS, COMMITTEE REPORTS AND
DIRECTOR COMMENTS (3:08:04- 3:21:00)**

Budget and Finance 09-15-20

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

Risk Management Workshop

President Farrington adjourned the meeting at 12:29 p.m.



Cris Thompson
Clerk of the Board of Directors

Approved: 10/8/20