

**AMADOR WATER AGENCY
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
October 8, 2009**

MINUTES

Directors Present: Terence W. Moore, President
Bill Condrashoff, Vice President
Debbie Dunn
Don Cooper
Gary Thomas

Directors Absent: None

Staff Present: Gene Mancebo, Interim General Manager
Stephen A. Kronick, Agency Counsel
Erik Christeson, Interim Engineering Manager
Barry Birge, Construction Superintendent
Michael Lee, Financial Services Manager
Cris L. Thompson Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER – President Moore called the meeting to order at 9:02 a.m.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA - There were no additions to the agenda. (RM-A 03:36)

STAFF REPORTS- (RM-A 03:37- 32:26)
Construction Supervisor Barry Birge
Interim Engineering Manager Erik Christeson
Financial Services Manager Michael Lee

PUBLIC COMMENT – (RM-A 32:28-35:42)
Ms. Jackie Vaughn, LaMel Heights – delivered 218 Petition

CONSENT AGENDA- (RM-A 35:47-43:57)

MOTION: (RM-A 43:51-43:56) It was moved by Director Cooper, seconded by Director Thomas and unanimously carried to approve the consent agenda with suggested revisions

MOTION CARRIED

AGENCY GENERAL

Regular Board Meetings (RM-A 44:00-81:24)

Discussion and direction regarding regular meeting times and designating time slots for agenda items (RM-A 80:40)

Direction given to staff to work with Board President to set specific times on key agenda items of importance to the public . In addition to looking into audio and possibly video of meetings to be placed on the website.

Discussion and direction regarding standing Committee standardized meeting times and dates

Direction was given to staff to work with the Committees to schedule standing dates for each Committee. (Wednesdays or Thursdays opposite Board Meetings) (RM-A 58:44)

RECESS was called at 10:24 a.m. SESSION RESUMED at 10:37 a.m.

CSDA Board Vacancy

Discussion and direction regarding nomination to the CSDA Board of Directors for Region 2, Seat B. (RM-B 0:07-02:44)

MOTION: (RM-B 02:38-02:44) It was moved by Director Condrashoff, seconded by Director Cooper and unanimously carried to nominate Director Debbie Dunn to the CSDA Region 2, Seat B Board of Directors.

MOTION CARRIED

Item 7.A was moved up on the agenda until Ryan Bezerra arrived to present the Delta Legislation information.

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

Improvement District No. 3 (LaMel Heights Water System)

Discussion and direction regarding staff analysis of consolidating LaMel with the Amador Water System (RM-B 03:38- 38:46) will continue following item 6.D

Delta Legislation (RM-B 39:09-1:03:59)

Presentation by Ryan Bezerra of Bartkiewicz, Kronick & Shanahan regarding potential impacts to Amador Water Agency water rights.

Discussion and direction regarding endorsing the upstream coalition letter regarding Delta legislation.

MOTION: RM-B 1:02:03-1:02:14) It was moved by Director Dunn, seconded by Director Cooper and unanimously carried to participate in the upstream coalition regarding Delta Legislation.

MOTION CARRIED

RECESS was called at 12:22 p.m. **SESSION RESUMED** at 12:34 p.m.

Improvement District No. 3 (LaMel Heights Water System) continued (RM-C 0:05-33:41)

MOTION: (RM-C 25:54-33:41) It was moved by Director Cooper, seconded by Director Moore, and unanimously carried to go forward and continue evaluating the consolidation of the La Mel system into the AWS and financially evaluate it for methods or methodology to ease it into the AWA system to minimize impacts relative to AWS as well as clearly define what the impacts will be for La Mel and to evaluated carefully as to exactly how much money needs to be loaned from AWS into La Mel, so that the bottom line on the ending balance will still be in the black.

Direction given to staff to bring expenditures to October 14th meeting and review the expenses charged to the system.

MOTION CARRIED

RECESS was called at 1:07 p.m. **SESSION** resumed at 2:03 p.m.

AMADOR WATER SYSTEM

Director Condrashoff declared a conflict of interest and left the meeting, but continued to listen to the discussion from the conference room as a property owner.

Small Diameter Pipeline (RM-D 0:01- 1:54:41)

Discussion and direction to continue evaluating pipeline options in the canal.

Public Comment

Mr. Marcus Boggs

Mr. David Evitt

Mr. Ken Perano

Ms. Claire Oneto

Ms. Vicki Erhardt

Ms. Carole Marz

Mr. Bill Condrashoff

Direction was given to staff to come up with simple explanations of options for the public to be able to understand, a simplified list of cost estimates associated with each option, to survey the property owners asking if they want treated or untreated water, to create a list of frequently asked questions for the public and schedule a workshop.

Director Condrashoff re-joined the meeting.

Broad Street Project (RM-D 1:55:39- 192:00)

Discussion and direction regarding project over run and budget augmentation

MOTION: (RM-156:26-192:00) It was moved by Director Cooper, seconded by Director Dunn, and unanimously carried to approve the budget augmentation of \$169,430 for the Broad Street Project.

MOTION CARRIED

AGENCY GENERAL

General Manager Job Description (No recording for this item)

Discussion and possible approval of General Manager Job description as recommended by the Personnel Committee

MOTION: It was moved by Director Cooper, seconded by Director Dunn and unanimously carried to approve the General Manager Job description as amended.

MOTION CARRIED

AGENCY COUNSEL REPORT – Carried over to the first meeting of November

COMMITTEE REPORTS- Carried over to October 22, 2009 meeting

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS

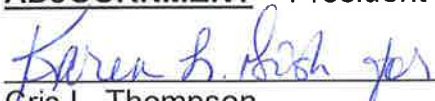
CLOSED SESSION- was called at 5:25 p.m. for the following matters:

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957.6- Conference with Labor Negotiators (Gene Mancebo and Karen Gish) – Department Heads, Management Group, AWA Employees Association and Confidential Group Negotiations

Closed Session item 12.B was not discussed

Conference with Legal Counsel Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) – Existing litigation – Ken Berry vs. Amador Water Agency (Amador County Superior Court Case No. 08-CV-5592)

ADJOURNMENT – President Moore adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.



Cris L. Thompson
Clerk of the Board of Directors

Approved: November 12, 2009