

**AMADOR WATER AGENCY
Board of Directors
Regular Meeting
January 11, 2007**

MINUTES

Directors Present: Terence W. Moore, President
John P. Swift, Vice President
Dan Brown
Heinz H. Hamann
David S. Thomas

Directors Absent: None

Staff Present: Jim Abercrombie, General Manager
Gene Mancebo, Manager of Engineering & Planning
Michael Lee, Financial Services Manager
Barry Birge, Construction Superintendent
Chris McKeage, Operations Manager
Stephen A. Kronick, Agency Counsel
Kimberly A. Toma, Clerk of the Board

CALL TO ORDER – President Moore called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m. He introduced Mr. David Thomas to the Board. He stated that Dave was appointed and sworn-in this morning to fill the unexpired term of Ted Novelli. The Board and Staff welcomed Dave aboard.

ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA – There were no additions to the agenda.

STAFF REPORTS - E&P Manager Mancebo, Financial Services Manager Lee, Construction Superintendent Birge and Operations Manager McKeage updated the Board on the various activities they have been involved in within their respective areas of responsibility and answered any questions from the Board. E&P Manager Mancebo introduced Julie Miller, Administrative Assistant I who was recently hired in the Engineering Department. The Board welcomed Julie aboard.

PUBLIC COMMENT – Lovette Wettig asked questions of the well construction in Lake Camanche and the capacity that the well will provide and who will benefit. Staff addressed her comments in that once the well is constructed and operational, that the water will be available as always, on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Mr. Bob Cosmero also provided the Board with some information regarding water conservation measures to alleviate wastewater capacity issues.

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CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION: It was moved by Director Hamann, seconded by Director Swift, and unanimously carried to approve the Consent Agenda. Director Thomas abstained.

AGENCY GENERAL

Administrative Citation Code Enforcement Program – Introduction of Ordinance No. 2007-01 Establishing a Code Enforcement Program and approving and adopting the Amador Water Agency Water Code with the addition of Article 5

MOTION: It was moved by Director Hamann, seconded by Director Brown, and unanimously carried to waive the reading of the Ordinance.

The Board members asked questions and made comments to the Ordinance for clarification. President Moore stated that this Ordinance will be before the Board for adoption at the regular Board meeting on January 25, 2007.

IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS

Wastewater Improvement District No. 11 (Lake Camanche Area) – Status of the Treatment and Disposal Capacity – Manager Abercrombie stated that Staff has been working on some creative methods to alleviate the wastewater problems in the District. E&P Manager Mancebo then described the area and the some of the plans he has been reviewing to provide solutions to wastewater disposal which involves the placement of the reclaimed wastewater on adjacent permanent pasture land. He also explained the analyses that must be investigated, including the alignment of a force main from the existing treatment plant site to a new treatment plant site; the environmental review for compliance with NEPA and CEQA; a fatal flaw review by the Regional Water Quality Control Board staff; and a cost analysis of this concept.

The purpose of this discussion was to get the Board's direction on whether to proceed in this direction. The Board asked several questions and made comments. Discussion centered around the level of treatment, EBMUD's participation, JVID's participation, alignments of piping structures, newly proposed developments and their impacts, and interim improvements to allow some connections in the meantime.

The Board concurred with this concept and directed Staff to proceed.

Mr. Bob Cosmero spoke relative to the conservation information that he provided.

Financial Services Manager briefly spoke relative to the conservation measures that he is currently investigating to provide relief to the wastewater system.

RECESS was called at 10:25 a.m.; **SESSION RESUMED** at 11:12 a.m.

COMMITTEE MEETING REPORTS

ACWA Conference Reports – Director Moore reported on his attendance at the

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conference and in particular, his attendance at the ACWA/JPIA meetings. He suggested that due to the subject matter being discussed at the JPIA meetings, that Karen Gish, Human Resources Coordinator, attend these meetings in the future.

Mountain Counties Water Resources Association Meeting Report – Director Brown reported on the recent meeting. He stated that the program was concerning water storage options in the State.

Joint Water Committee Meeting Report – Director Moore reported on the recent meeting. He stated that the discussions were centered around the Plymouth Pipeline Project and the soils issues with that Project. Also discussed was the conceptual discussion associated with ARSA and the disposal of the reclaimed wastewater.

Mokelumne River Water Association Meeting Report – Directors Brown and Hamann reported on the recent meeting. They stated that the program was a discussion of the watershed by Terry Strange and some other education programs being considered.

FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS – AB 303 potential discussion and direction.

RECESS - was called at 11:35 a.m. **SESSION RESUMED** at 11:40 a.m.

CLOSED SESSION was called at 11:40 a.m. for the following matters.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(a) – Existing Litigation –
Conference with Agency Counsel -

Amador Water Agency vs. Mavis Marie Fregulia and Carolyn Denise Campbell, as Co-Trustees of the Mavis Fregulia 1992 Revocable Living Trust et al. Case No. 06-CV4206

Amador Water Agency vs. Denise Freguila, as Trustee of the Carolyn Denise Freguila Trust – 2002. Case No. 06-CV4205

Amador Water Agency vs. Kenneth Perano, as Trustee of the Ernest W. Perano Exemption Trust, et al. Case No. 06-CV4189

Amador Water Agency vs. Zelda Mondani, Case No. 06-CV4173

Amador Water Agency vs. Gary L. Timmons and Carol L. Timmons, Trustees of the Gary L. and Carol L. Timmons Family Trust 2005, Case No. 06-CV4163.

Protect the Historic Amador Waterways vs. Amador Water Agency, Amador County Superior Court Case No. 01-CV-1191

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Protect the Historic Amador Waterways; Russell Evitt; and Susan Bragstad vs.
Amador Water Agency

Russell Evitt, et al vs. Amador Water Agency, Amador County Superior Court
Case No. 05-CV-3903

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9 – Initiation of Litigation -
Conference with Agency Counsel – one potential case.

OPEN SESSION resumed at 1:10 p.m. with no action taken in Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT – Vice President Swift adjourned the meeting at 1:10 p.m.

Kimberly A. Toma
Clerk of the Board of Directors

Approved: _____