

Amador Regional Sanitation Authority

"Servicing Amador City, Martell, & Sutter Creek"

MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS June 30, 2021

Present:
Robin Peters, Chairman
Richard Forster, Vice Chairman
Susan Bragstad, Board Member
Jim Swift, Board Member
Absent:
Frank Axe, Board Member

Staff Present:
Amy Gedney, General Manager
Karen Darrow, City Clerk
Corey Stone, ARSA Operator
Gary Ghio, Consultant

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Meeting called to order by Chairman Peters at 10:00 A.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Chairman Peters led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC FORUM- None.

4. CONSENT AGENDA

A. Minutes of May 27, 2021

Recommendation: Approve Minutes of May 27, 2021

B. Approval of Warrants

Recommendation: Approve warrants.

C. Cash Balance Report

Recommendation: For information only.

D. System Status Report

Recommendation: For information only

M/S Forster/Swift to Approve the Consent Agenda, as presented.

AYES: Bragstad, Swift, Forster and Peters

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Axe

MOTION CARRIED

5. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

A. Henderson underdrain repair

Recommendation: For staff direction.

Gary Ghio provided an overview and that he anticipates about a two-and-a-half-month project if it stays dry. He noted the need for a short-, medium- and long-term plan.

General Manager Gedney noted that there is cash on hand for this project.

M/S Swift/Bragstad to Authorize completion of plans/specifications and CEQA document to obtain DSOD approval to proceed and allocation of funds for construction, weather permitting, with direction to staff to move as quickly as possible with intent to complete in 2021.

AYES: Bragstad, Swift, Forster and Peters

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Axe

MOTION CARRIED

A. 2021-2022 Operating Budget

Recommendation: Adopt Resolution 20-21- Adopting the annual operating budget.*

General Manager Gedney presented the proposed Draft Budget.

M/S /Forster/Swift to Adopt Resolution 20-21-02 Adopting the annual operating budget.

AYES: Bragstad, Swift, Forster and Peters

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Axe

MOTION CARRIED

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

ARSA Operator Corey Stone reported that there is 50-acre feet in the system. Henderson has receiving 33-acre feet and Preston has been receiving 18-acre feet. He also noted that there is not enough flow to irrigate Hoskins and the he is trying to limit the flow to Preston. There is currently no water leaving Preston.

General Manager Gedney reported that Sutter Creek is getting ready to do smoke testing and that to date Ione has taken 180-acre feet.

Board member Forster noted that there has been lots of talk that ARSA should be diverting water from Sutter Creek.

ARSA Operator Stone noted that it is unrealistic to anticipate rainfall. He also reported that CDCR resumed water delivery to Ione and the golf course.

Chairman Peters commented that it seems everyone is receiving water and asked if there was any help available for Hoskins.

Board member Forster suggested that it would be useful to create a policy/position on ARSA diverting water from Sutter Creek.

General Manager Gedney noted that would be a part of the discussion regarding the future of ARSA.

7. **CLOSED SESSION**

A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

Initiation of litigation pursuant to paragraph (4) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9: One potential case

Direction was given to staff.

8. **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS-** None.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 a.m.

Karen Darrow

Karen Darrow, Secretary



Robin Peters, Chairman

Date Approved: November 17, 2021