

Amador Regional Sanitation Authority

“Servicing Amador City, Martell, & Sutter Creek”

MINUTES MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS January 18, 2024

Present:

Richard Forster, Vice Chairman
Bruce Sherrill, Board Member
Claire Gunselman, Board Member

Absent:

Jim Swift, Chairman
Frank Axe, Board Member

Staff Present:

Tom DuBois, ARSA GM
Karen Darrow, ARSA Secretary
Dan Lafontaine, Public Works Director
Frank Splendorio, ARSA Attorney

1. REGULAR MEETING: CALL TO ORDER AND ESTABLISH A QUORUM

Meeting called to order by Vice-Chair Forster at 3:33 P.M.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Vice-Chair Forster led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. PUBLIC FORUM- None

4. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Minutes of December 5, 2023 – *for approval*
- B. Approval of Warrants – *for approval*
- C. Budget Update- *for information only*
- D. Reservoir report- *for information only*

M/S Gunselman/Sherrill to Approve the Consent Agenda.

AYES: Gunselman, Sherrill and Forster

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Axe and Swift

MOTION CARRIED

5. ADMINISTRATIVE AGENDA

A. Property available for Equalization Tank

General Manager Tom DuBois outlined an opportunity to acquire land near the wastewater treatment plant. Members of the public Robin Peters and Gary Tomas questioned the benefit for ARSA, noting that the benefit would be for Sutter Creek.

The Board directed staff to bring back more information that outlines the benefits for ARSA.

B. ARSA Dissolution Process and Open Issues- *information and discussion.*

General Manager Tom DuBois and ARSA Attorney Frank Splendorio outlined the process for dissolving the JPA, covering some of the legal, financial, and political considerations.

Vice-Chair Forster noted that he would need to talk to Supervisor Axe and take this back to the County.

Gary Thomas commented.

6. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT

General Manager Tom DuBois noted that he took a tour of ARSA and has offered to schedule a tour for those interested.

Adjourned into Closed Session at 4:24 p.m.

7. CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL- EXISTING LITIGATION

Pursuant to Gov. Code § 54956.9(d)(1):

Amador Regional Sanitation Authority v. City of Ione, et al.

(Case No. 22-CV-12824)

8. REPORT FROM CLOSED SESSION - No reportable action.

ADJOURNMENT

Karen Darrow

Karen Darrow, Secretary

James E. Swift

James Swift, Chairman

Date Approved: February 15, 2024

