

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
The Board of Directors of the
Aromas Water District
July 26, 2016**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Aromas Water District was called to order by President Leap on Tuesday, July 26, 2016 at 7:00 p.m. at the District office located at 388 Blohm Ave, Aromas, California.

II. ROLL CALL:

President Leap, Vice-President Smith, Directors Dutra, Holman and Norton were present. General Manager Vicki Morris, Counsel Bob Bosso and staff Louise Coombes and David DeAlba were also in attendance. General Manager Vicki Morris introduced newly hired staff member, Mark Dias. Maureen Cain is acting District Secretary.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Leap led the pledge of allegiance.

IV. STATEMENTS OF DISQUALIFICATION: There were no disqualification statements.

V. ADDITIONS AND DELETIONS: There were no additions or deletions.

VI. MINUTES: The minutes of the June 28, 2016 Regular Meeting were presented for acceptance and approval. Director Norton noted an error in Director's report.

Director Norton moved to approve the meeting minutes as corrected. The motion was seconded by Director Holman and the minutes were approved unanimously.

VII. ORAL COMMUNICATION: There were no comments.

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

A. Director's Report

- Director Norton reported he and GM Morris attended the quarterly meeting of the Monterey County Special Districts Association. The topic of the 3/8 cent sales tax issue was discussed and how it relates to improving traffic in the county.
- Director Dutra reported an office consultation with the General Manager regarding the future building at Marshall site.

B. Attorney's Report:

- Counsel Bosso reported that he is continuing to follow numerous Proposition 218 cases involving water districts.

C. Manager's Report: Detailed report in agenda packet. Highlights include:

Operations:

- June 2016 production was up. Our revenue in June was the highest it has ever been, reflecting summer usage and higher rates. Customers have been doing well on conservation, keeping usage similar to last year. No major leaks.

- The VFD work for Pleasant Acres well is still coming up.
- Thanks to Director Smith on weed abatement advice. We are researching use of sheep as an option for several of our fenced well sites. The GM Morris noted sheep are fairly inexpensive for a trial.
- The solar company came out and made repairs on an inverter and a fuse, all under warranty.

Staff

- Operators DeAlba and Zelmar have completed all ten Safety Certification classes. Also they received CPR certification through a local training session.
- GM Morris, and Director Norton attended the meeting of the Special Districts Association of Monterey County.
- GM Morris, Director Norton and Pres. Leap assisted with interviewing final applicants for the New Assistant Manager position.

Marshall Well

- GM Morris noted the Directors now have the Technical Memorandum, prepared by Martin Feeney for the Marshall Well site. Feeney's recommendation is to test to 1000 feet but final well would likely be approximately 500 feet. On the report there is a summary of other wells in the area with final depth and quantity of discharge. information on water quality is not available. Operator DeAlba will request sampling on neighboring wells, as permitted. Cost is estimated to be \$1 to 1.2 million. Iron and manganese treatment will most likely be necessary. The Feeney work came in \$3,000 under budget.

Marshall Shop Building

- GM Morris and the Directors discussed the proposed pricing on new building, various bids and negotiations for the best price for the District.

Surveying of Property Line

- There is an easement/property line dispute involving one of our pipelines on San Juan Road. We are having a survey done. It involves three properties.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

A. Resolution 2016-06: in Appreciation of David DeAlba for Ten Years of Service: Director Holman made a motion to approve the resolution and Director Norton seconded. It passed with the following vote:

AYES: Leap, Smith, Dutra, Norton, and Holman

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

B. Financials: Revenue for June was \$109,563.93. Total assets are \$6.614 million. Total liabilities are \$1.989 million. The expenditures between June 21 and July 20, 2016 total \$65,381.44. President Leap reviewed the expenditures.

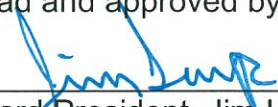
Director Dutra moved to accept the financials as presented and V. Pres. Smith seconded. The financials were accepted unanimously.

XII. FUTURE MEETINGS & AGENDA ITEMS: Next meeting will be August 23, 2016.

XIII. ADJOURNMENT - Pres. Leap adjourned the meeting at 7:55 PM.

Date: July 26, 2016

Read and approved by:



Board President, Jim Leap

Attest: 

Acting District Secretary