

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of
The Board of Directors of the
Aromas Water District
July 28, 2015**

I. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Aromas Water District was called to order by President Norton on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 7:02 p.m. at the District office located at 388 Blohm Ave, Aromas, California.

II. ROLL CALL:

President Norton, Vice President Leap, Directors Dutra, Holman and Smith were all present. General Manager Vicki Morris, Counsel Bob Bosso, Engineer Mike Fietas and Staff Maureen Cain were also in attendance.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: President Norton 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 23, 2015 Regular Meeting were presented for acceptance and approval.

Vice President Leap moved to approve the meeting minutes. The motion was seconded by Director Smith. The minutes were unanimously approved.

VII. ORAL COMMUNICATION: There was no oral communication.

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

A. Director's Report

- President Norton went with GM Morris to the CalTrans San Juan Interchange Ribbon cutting along with local politicians and many others. He and GM Morris also attended the Monterey County Chapter of Special Districts Association Quarterly Dinner. There was an interesting presentation by the Monterey Bay Broadband Consortium to bring broadband to more people at a lower cost in our area. They are encouraging Districts such as ours to add conduit for future broadband to trenches where we are already installing pipelines.

B. Attorney's Report:

- Counsel Bosso shared that the 4th District Court of Appeal decision in *Capistrano Taxpayers Association v. City of San Juan Capistrano* regarding the ability of public agencies to impose tiered water rates became final on July 22nd (not June). The Supreme Court denied the requests by various agencies to de-publish the decision. Discussion followed that cost-justification could be necessary in the future and ways that the impact could be lessened.
- Pres. Norton expressed concerns about personal email addresses being used for District correspondence and privacy. Counsel Bosso assured the Board that they

would never be required to disclose private correspondence.

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

Operations:

- June production continues to reflect our customers conservation efforts with a decrease of about 38% overall.
- Well levels are dropping, but operators are watching closely and switching wells to let them recover between pumping.
- Solar panels are producing power at the Carpenteria Well site. No bills have been generated yet that reflect the offsets. Staff got bids for six foot black vinyl chain link fencing ranging from \$7,800- \$23,000.

Oak Ridge/Via Del Sol Water Supply Project

- About 11 service lines have been installed in Oakridge/Via del Sol and are actually receiving water. There will be more each day. Lab work has cleared the storage tank for use so that each new connection can now be served. Pump Station and SCADA is in operation. One new customer on Via del Sol told the District they got a \$2,500 (over 50%) reduction in their fire insurance rate because of the new hydrants.
- A \$30,000 quote was received from the same installer as the service lines to install the four inch, 500 foot line from Dunbarton Rd. and the USDA approved it to be part of the existing loan.

D. Correspondence:

Director Holman inquired: Graham Contractors damaged the Bulk Water Station with their truck and has been billed and paid for damages.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

A. Resolution 2015-08 Certificate to Adopt Addendum 2 to the Mitigated Negative Declaration for Two Additional Parcels in the Oakridge/VDS Annexation. Staff Goodman prepared an Addendum to add 2598 San Juan Rd. and 176 Dunbarton Rd to the CEQA documentation for the OR/VDS Annexation. An addendum with minor revisions to that in the packet was distributed to the Board. The findings were less than significant.

Director Holman moved to adopt the resolution. It was seconded by V.Pres. Leap and passed with the following vote:

Ayes: Norton, Leap, Smith, Dutra, Holman

Noes: None

Absent: None

Abstain: None

B. Review Proposal & Accept Contract to Refinish Exterior of Ranch Larios Tank for \$19,898. Staff received a quote in the amount of \$20,000 to refinish the exterior of

the 200,000 gallon RL tank from Speed Boy Painting Inc. They are local and work is guaranteed. Tank interior is in good condition.

Director Dutra made motion to accept the bid and V. Pres. Leap seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

C. Financials: Revenue for June is shown as \$110,622.74, but will be revised to reflect the actual taxes received. Revenue will be closer to \$103,000. The report reflects the unaudited financials for the end of the fiscal year. Expenditures between June 16 and July 21, 2015 are \$66,037.80 and were reviewed by President Norton. Total assets are \$6.8 million. The financials were presented for discussion and approval. President Norton reviewed the expenses.


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

X. FUTURE MEETINGS & AGENDA ITEMS: Next meeting will be August 25, 2015

XII. ADJOURNMENT - Pres. Norton adjourned the meeting at 8:05 pm.

Date: August 25, 2015

Read and approved by:



Board President, Wayne Norton

Attest: 
District Secretary