Minutes of the Regular Meeting of The Board of Directors of the Aromas Water District August 23, 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, August 23, 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 as well as General Manager Vicki Morris and Counsel Bob Bosso. Also in attendance was Paul Faurot, Director of PVWMA representing District "D".

- III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Director 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 July 26, 2016 Regular Meeting were presented for acceptance and approval.

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

VII. ORAL COMMUNICATION: Paul Faurot, PVWMA thanked the Board for welcoming him. He stated that he would like to improve communications between the two districts.

VIII. PRESENTATIONS

A. Director's Report

• There were no reports.

B. Attorney's Report:

- Counsel Bosso reported that he is still following numerous Proposition 218 cases involving water districts and it may be about six months before decisions are made. He also stated that a new study is convening on Special Districts by the Little Hoover Commission out of Stanford and he will keep us informed about the findings.
- **C. Manager's Report**: Detailed report in agenda packet. Highlights include:

Operations:

- August 2016 production was almost 11 million gallons. Our revenue for July reflected the most recent rate increase and we are in a stable financial position.
- VFD work at Pleasant Acres Well is complete and is showing about three times the
 efficiency compared to what it was prior to the improvements. Gallons per minute

- monitoring it for more exact data.
- Lead and Copper testing was done in August. Annual Nitrate testing reported no detection.
- Two sheep have been purchased to control weeds at the solar arrays and other District property.
- There was a line break on the 4" AC pipe along the Seely Crossing on August 15th.
 Repairs were made hiring a backhoe the following day and by clamping the separation caused by oak roots. Service was not interrupted.
- More succulents have been taken from the demonstration garden. A motion camera has been installed.
- Director Holman asked that we call Monterey County Public works to install "No Parking" signs on the Blohm side of the Community Park because of safety concerns.

Staff

- A search for a new Customer Service Representative has begun to replace Maureen Cain, retiring in November.
- New Assistant General Manager, Mark Dias will begin September 6th.

Marshall Well

 Staff is gathering well data from other local owners. Granite Rock has shared their information.

Marshall Shop Building

San Benito County is requiring a soils report for the proposed leach field. They are
also requiring a Plan Review before the project can be started. GM Morris is trying to
get accurate pricing estimates before moving forward with the project.

Basin Management Plan

- GM Morris has been meeting regularly with Brian Lockwood, PVWMA, and has also attended meetings of the Salinas Valley Basin GSA formation to grasp more knowledge of their process. She also met with the Rob Johnson, Deputy Manager of Monterey County Water Resources to discuss the management of the Monterey County PUMA, which we would likely manage.
- D. Correspondence: Director Norton asked about the pipeline easement and location dispute on the Ballantree line.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

A. Financials: Revenue for July was \$99,803.74. Total assets are \$6.7 million. Total liabilities are \$1.979 million. The expenditures between July 21 and August 15, 2016 total \$75,529.43 and included the purchase on new tools, radio-read meters and the sheep. President Leap reviewed the expenditures.

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

- X. <u>FUTURE MEETINGS & AGENDA ITEMS:</u> Next meeting will be September 27, 2016. Proposal for tank cleaning will be on the agenda.
- XI. ADJOURNMENT Pres. Leap adjourned the meeting at 8:05 PM.

Date: September 27, 2016

Read and approved by:

Board President, Jim Leap

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District Secretary