



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ARVIN COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
January 9, 2023

The Board of Directors of the Arvin Community Services District duly met at a Regular Board Meeting held on Monday, December 5, 2022, at 6:00 p.m. at 309 Campus Dr., Arvin, CA 93203.

The meeting was called to order by President Reyna at 6:04 PM

Directors Present: Gallardo, Ojeda, Pantoja, Alvarez, Reyna

Others Present: General Manager/Board Secretary – Raul Barraza, Jr.; Legal Counsel – Alan J. Peake and District Engineer – Dee Jaspar (Not present). District Engineer – Dee Jaspar.

Pledge of allegiance: The Pledge was led by President Reyna.

Agenda Item #1 Public Comment

No public comment.

Agenda Item #2.: Consent Calendar

a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for December 19, 2022

b. Accounts Payable for December 19, 2022 – January 6, 2022

A motion was made to approve items a and b by Director Ojeda. It was seconded by Director Pantoja.

AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Pantoja, Alvarez, Reyna.

Agenda Item #3: Board to discuss and take possible action re: Reapproval of Resolution 05-2021 to continue to have board meetings held by teleconference due to ongoing State of Emergency related to COVID-19

General Manager presented the reapproval of Resolution 05-2021 so that the District can continue to have the board meetings by teleconferencing with Zoom due to the ongoing State of Emergency due to COVID-19. Legal Counsel stated the Governor's Office posted February 28, 2023 to be the last day for teleconference meetings. A motion was made by Director Gallardo and seconded by Director Pantoja.

AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Pantoja, Reyna.

Agenda Item #4: Board to discuss and take possible action re: Approval of South of Kern River Districts Special Agreement No. 1

General Manager and Legal Counsel went over the Special Agreement No. 1 in which districts agree to terms regarding cost of staff associated with implementing Groundwater Sustainability Plan for South of Kern River. A motion was made by Director Ojeda and seconded by Director Gallardo.

AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Pantoja, Alvarez, Reyna.

Agenda Item #6: Staff Comments

General Manger: 1. Discussed that the District has been working with the Low-Income Housing Water Assistance Program who pay bills for customers with past bills. The LIHWAP is now working directly with Community Action Partnership of Kern (CAPK) who will be able to pay current bills in February. The District will be working on getting this information out to our customers on the next billing cycle.

Legal Counsel: No Comment.

District Engineer: Not present.



Agenda Item #7: Board Member Comments:

- a. **Director Gallardo:** No comment.
- b. **Director Ojeda:** asked if there were any related issues from the current weather. General Manager stated the operation of the wells had not been affected by the current weather. Director Ojeda was glad to hear the water system was working well through these extreme weather events.
- c. **Director Pantoja:** No comment.
- d. **Vice President Alvarez:** no comment.
- e. **President Reyna:** No comment.

Agenda Item #8: Closed Session

A motion was made by Director Ojeda to go into closed session at 6:15 pm and seconded by Director Pantoja.
AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Pantoja, Alvarez, Reyna.

- a. **Conference with Labor Negotiators: General Manager and District Legal Counsel: Laborers International Union of North America 777 Gov't Code 54957.6**

A motion was made by Director Pantoja to go back into open session at 7:32 pm and seconded by Director Ojeda.
AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Pantoja, Alvarez, Reyna.

Closed Session Report: Information was provided and by unanimous consent, direction was given.

Agenda Item #9: Adjournment

Motion was made by Director Ojeda and seconded by Director Pantoja to adjourn meeting at 7:33 p.m.
AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Pantoja, Reyna, Alvarez.

Submitted by:

Attest:

Raul Barraza, Jr.

Aurelio Reyna

**Raul Barraza, Jr.
Board Secretary/General Manager**

**Aurelio Reyna
Board President**