



MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ARVIN COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
September 3, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Arvin Community Services District duly met at a Regular Board Meeting held on Tuesday, September 3, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at 309 Campus Dr., Arvin, CA 93203.

The meeting was called to order by President Reyna at 6:06 PM

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

Others Present: General Manager/Board Secretary – Raul Barraza, Jr.; Legal Counsel – Alan J. Peake

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 of August 19, 2024

b. Accounts Payable for August 19, 2024 – August 30, 2024

A motion was made to approve Consent Calendar 2.a and b. by Vice President Alvarez and seconded by Director Pantoja.

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

Agenda Item #3: Board to Discuss and take action re: SGMA Press Release and District Participation on Workshops

General Manager presented the board of directors with a letter from the Kern Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) have responding to a draft report from the California State Water Resources Control Board (SWRCB). The draft report finds the Kern subbasin's Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) to be inadequate and recommends that the subbasin be placed on probation. The GSAs' response was submitted during public workshops held on August 26, 2024, and August 29, 2024, and highlighted the significant improvements made in the 2024 GSP, which addresses previous deficiencies and outlines a strategy to achieve groundwater sustainability by 2040. The General Manager also took part in a tour set to take two SWRCB Members around the Kern Subbasin to show a ground level view of the diversity within the Kern Subbasin. General Manager was able to speak to Board Member Nicole Morgan and Board Chair Joaquin Esquivel about SGMA.

AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Alvarez, Reyna.

Agenda Item #4: Board to discuss and take action re: Arvin CSD Maintenance Facility Equipment Carport Expansion

General Manager requested to table item for another meeting.

Agenda Item #5: Comments regarding lease of property to the State of California at the northwest corner of Sycamore Rd. and Walnut Drive APN: 192-070-06

No public comment on item.



Agenda Item #6: Staff Comments

General Manger: Advised about door tags and shut-offs

Legal Counsel: No comments.

District Engineer – Not present.

Agenda Item #7: Board Member Comments:

- a. **Director Gallardo:** No comment.
- b. **Director Ojeda:** No comment.
- c. **Director Pantoja:** Absent.
- d. **Vice President Alvarez:** No comment.
- e. **President Reyna:** No comment.

Agenda Item #8: Closed Session

- a. **Meeting with Real Property Negotiators General Manager Raul Barraza and Legal Counsel Alan J. Peake regarding possible lease of property to the State of California at the northwest corner of Sycamore Road and Walnut Drive APN: 192-070-06**

- b. **Performance Evaluation General Manager – Government Code 54957**

A motion was made to go into closed session at 6:16 PM by Director Ojeda and seconded by Director Gallardo.
Ayes: Gallardo, Ojeda, Pantoja, Alvarez, Reyna.

A motion was made to go back into open session at 6:56 PM by Director Ojeda and seconded by Director Gallardo.

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

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

Agenda Item #9: Adjournment

A motion was made by Vice President Alvarez and seconded by Director Gallardo to adjourn the meeting at 6:57 P.M.

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

Submitted by:

Raul Barraza, Jr.

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Board Secretary/General Manager

Attest:

Aurelio Reyna

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Board President