

#### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

# FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT SUTTER COUNTY AND YUBA COUNTY June 5, 2023

The Feather River Air Quality Management District held a board meeting, commencing at approximately 4:00 p.m. on the above date at 541 Washington Ave, Joan Bechtel Conference Room, Yuba City, California. The following members were present: Directors Messick, Blaser, Fuhrer, Bains, Conant, Ghag, Gilchrist, Pasquale, and Alternate Director Teter. Absent: Director Shelton. Also present were Sutter County Deputy County Counsel Nick Deal, Air Pollution Control Officer Christopher D. Brown, AICP and Feather River Air Quality Management District Deputy Clerk of the Board Maria Ramos.

#### **PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Chairman Gilchrist inquired if there were any public comments.

There were none.

### APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the minutes of the April 3, 2023, Board meeting.

Authorize the APCO to continue the annual software license agreement for 6 licenses for Clarity.IO air monitoring software for a total of \$7,722 dollars.

Authorize the APCO to enter into a one-year Professional Services agreement with Creating Answers to provide Bookkeeping, Controllership and CFO level support to the District not to exceed \$64.000.

Authorize release from inventory surplus being stored in district basement and transfer to Sutter County for auction and dispose of inventory that is beyond economical repair.

Approve Resolution #2023-08 authorizing participation in the Prescribed Fire Grant Program and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents.

Approve Resolution #2023-06 of the Board of Directors authorizing participation in the Year 6 AB 197 Emission Inventory District Grant Program, a grant award up to \$10,000, and authorize the Chairman and APCO to execute related documents.

Approve Resolution #2023-07 of the Board of Directors authorizing participation in the Year 6 Community Air Protection Program, a grant award up to \$100,000, and authorize the Chairman and APCO to execute related documents.

Approve extension of the completion deadline from December 31, 2023, to June 30, 2024, for Blue Sky Grant VF22-02 to the Yuba Water Agency employees and authorize the APCO to execute related documents.

Rescind Emergency Declaration of COVID-19.

Approve Resolution #2023-10 to accept funding for the District's Woodsmoke Reduction Program and authorize the Chairman and APCO to execute related documents.

Director Conant moved to approve the items on the consent agenda, seconded by Director Bains.

On the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Messick, Blaser, Fuhrer, Bains, Conant, Ghag, Gilchrist, Teter and Pasquale

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

## **PUBLIC HEARINGS**

Conduct a Public Hearing and Adoption of Proposed Budget (4/5ths Vote Required)

Chairman Gilchrist opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brown referred to Ms. Shawna Fitzgerald, CFO, to present on the proposed budget.

Ms. Shawna Fitzgerald gave a report on the proposed budget.

Director Bains moved to approve the Proposed Budget, seconded by Director Conant.

Chairman Gilchrist closed the Public Hearing.

On the following roll call vote:

Ayes: Directors Messick, Blaser, Fuhrer, Bains, Conant, Ghag, Gilchrist, Teter and Pasquale

Noes: None Abstain: None Absent: None

Motion carried.

# **APPEARANCE CALENDAR**

Approve the following budget allocation transfer: From Account #725-9901-441-80-03 (Contingency Reserves) to #725-441-30-00 (Utilities) in the amount of \$3,000 due to higher than anticipated utility bills.

Director Bains made a motion to approve the budget allocation transfer, seconded by Director Conant.

All in favor, motion carried.

Approve Resolution #2023-05 amending the Allocation and Basic Salary Schedule for Fiscal Year 2023/2024 and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents.

Director Bains made a motion to approve the Allocation and Basic Salary Schedule for Fiscal Year 2023/2024, seconded by Director Conant.

All in favor, motion carried.

Approve Resolution #2023-09 for the election of Directors to the Special District Risk Management Authority Board of Directors.

Director Ghag made a motion to approve the election of Directors to the Special District Risk Management Authority Board of Directors, seconded by Director Fuhrer.

All in favor, motion carried.

Authorize the APCO to change the District's banking relationship and move operating transactions outside of Yuba County Fund #725

Director Conant made a motion to approve the District's banking relationship and move operating transactions outside of Yuba County Fund #25, seconded by Director Pasquale.

All in favor, motion carried.

### AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

Mr. Brown gave an update on the District activities which included the recruitment of a new Compliance Inspector.

Mr. Brown stated there were no recent Hearing Board Activities.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the Air Resources Board activities which included the adoption of a new rule called Criteria of Toxics Reporting.

Mr. Brown gave an update on EPA activities which included a lot of rulemaking, but nothing the District should be worried about at this time.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the Legislation which included a new proposed rule that would allow tribes to burn on tribal land.

Mr. Brown gave an update on CAPCOA and BCC which included the shuffling and reorganization of staff.

Mr. Brown gave and update on the Grants program which included award letters for Carl Moyer and FARMER award letters are going out and the launching of the new Lawn and garden program in July.

Discussion ensued regarding the new Lawn and Garden program.

Mr. Brown gave an update on Sacramento Region activities which included the Infrastructure Act and funds coming from Congress for heavy duty equipment.

Discussion ensued regarding Calpine Sutter Energy Center and the Biomass conference.

# **BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**

There were none.

With no further business Chairman Gilchrist adjourned the meeting at 4:56 p.m.

Attest:

Clerk of the Board

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Chairman