

#### **BOARD MEETING MINUTES**

# FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT SUTTER COUNTY AND YUBA COUNTY April 3, 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, Gilchrist, Shelton, and Pasquale. Absent Directors: Director Ghag. 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.

#### **APPEARANCE ITEMS**

Replace seats held by members reassigned by Sutter County Board of Supervisors.

Mr. Brown stated that Sutter County changed their Board assignments replacing Director Ziegenmeyer with Director Bains, therefore, the District would need to replace the Vice Chairman position and the committees that Director Ziegenmeyer was assigned to.

Director Blaser moved to approve Director Bains for the Vice Chairman position, the Burn Committee and alternate BCC representative, seconded by Director Conant.

All in favor, motion carried.

Director Ghag is now present.

#### **APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA**

Approve the minutes of the February 27, 2023, Board meeting.

Accept Smith & Newell Proposal for the FY 2021/2022 Audit in the amount of \$9,425.00.

Approve appointment of Sean Minard, Engineer to the District Hearing Board for the period of April 3, 2023, to April 3, 2026.

Approve Resolution #2023-02 of the Board of Directors authorizing participation in the Year 6 Community Air Protection Incentive Program; acceptance of the grant awards up to \$1,200,000; 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.

All in favor, motion carried.

## **PUBLIC HEARING**

Adopt Resolution #2023-03 adopting the Yuba City-Marysville PM2.5 Second Maintenance Plan; and (2) find the adoption of the Plan categorically exempt in conformance with the

<u>California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines Section 15308 Class 8 – Actions by regulatory agencies for the protection of the environment; and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents.</u>

Mr. Brown referred to Sondra Spaethe, District Engineering and Planning Supervisor, to report on Resolution #2023-03.

Chairman Gilchrist made a motion to open the Public Hearing.

Director Bains moved to open the Public Hearing.

Ms. Spaethe gave a presentation on Resolution #2023-03.

Discussion ensued regarding Resolution #2023-03.

There were no public comments.

Chairman Gilchrist closed the Public Hearing.

Director Bains moved to approve the adoption of Resolution #2023-23, seconded by Director Conant.

All in favor. Motion carried.

### AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

Mr. Brown gave an update on the District activities which included one employee resigned and another employee is on leave in the same department. The HVAC system is 99% complete.

Mr. Brown stated that the District reappointed a Hearing Board member to the Hearing Board.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the Air Resources Board activities including that EPA approved the phase out heavy-duty diesel trucks.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the EPA which included that EPA is starting to roll out grant programs tied to the Inflation Reduction Act.

Mr. Brown gave an update on Legislation regarding a bill related to funding of Air Districts that can potentially increase funding to implement the California Clean Air Act.

Mr. Brown gave an update on CAPCOA and BCC which included that Gretchen Bennitt has accepted the APCO position at Yolo-Solano AQMD. BCC is fine tuning the burn program. The District will be having a Biomass conference in October which will focus on Ag Biomass facilities. Placer County is also planning a Biomass Conference focused on Forest Health Projects.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the Grants program which included Carl Moyer, FARMER, Mini Grants, Blue Sky, Woodstove and a new Lawn and Garden Program.

## APPEARANCE ITEMS

PARs Unfunded Liability Resolution and Agreement.

Mr. Brown gave a report on PARs Unfunded Liability Resolution and Agreement.

Director Pasquale moved to approve the PARs Unfunded Liability Resolution and Agreement, seconded by Director Bains.

All in favor, motion carried.

Informational item to receive the update on the Community Air Protection Program.

Mr. Brown referred to Mr. Peter Angelonides, District Planner to present on the Community Air Protection Program.

Mr. Angelonides gave a presentation on the Community Air Protection Program.

Director Gilchrist made a motion to adjourn the meeting with no further business, seconded by Director Fuhrer.

With no further business Chairman Gilchrist adjourned the meeting at 4:42 p.m.

Attest:

Clerk of the Board

Chairman