#### SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

# FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT SUTTER COUNTY AND YUBA COUNTY December 9, 2019

The Feather River Air Quality Management District held a board meeting, commencing at approximately 4:00 p.m. on the above date at 915 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Marysville Conference Room, Marysville, California. The following members were present: Directors Fletcher, Bradford, Lofton, Whiteaker, Conant, Ghag, Cardoza and McKenzie. Absent: Directors Pendergraph and Samayoa. Also present were Sutter County Deputy County Counsel Deborah Micheli, Air Pollution Control Officer Christopher D. Brown, AICP, APCO and Feather River Air Quality Management District Deputy Clerk of the Board Shelley Channel.

Chairman Pendergraph was absent at the beginning of the meeting so Vice-Chairman Conant opened the meeting.

### PUBLIC COMMENTS

There were none.

### APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Approve the minutes of the October 7, 2019 Board meeting.

Director Fletcher moved to approve the minutes of the October 7, 2019 Board meeting, seconded by Director Cardoza.

All in favor, motion carried.

## APPEARANCE ITEMS

Approve Policy/Finance Committee recommendation for Board consideration with regard to proposed Blue Sky Program proposals and authorize the APCO to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown referred to Ms. Sondra Spaethe, District Planner, for a report on the Blue Sky Program proposals.

Ms. Spaethe gave a report on the Policy/Finance Committee's recommendation for Board consideration with regard to proposed Blue Sky Program proposals.

Director Fletcher moved to approve the Policy/Finance Committee recommendation for Board consideration with regard to proposed Blue Sky Program proposals and authorize the APCO to execute related documents, seconded by Director Cardoza.

All in favor, motion carried.

Approve the Policy/Finance Committee recommendation for Board consideration with regard to extension of completion deadline for VF17-04 Blue Sky grant to the City of Yuba City, Sanborn Road Improvement Project Phase I and authorize the APCO to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown stated that Yuba City had contacted the District and stated that this item could be withdrawn.

Approve the Policy/Finance Committee recommendation for Board consideration with regard to extension of completion deadline for VF18-05 Blue Sky grant to the City of Yuba City, School Crossing Improvement Project and authorize the APCO to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown gave a report on the Policy/Finance Committee recommendation for Board consideration with regard to extension of completion deadline for VF18-05 Blue Sky grant to the City of Yuba City, School Crossing Improvement Project.

Mr. Ben Moody, City of Yuba City Assistant Public Works Director, gave some clarification on why the City was requesting an extension for Blue Sky grant #VF18-04.

Director Whiteaker moved to approve the Policy/Finance Committee recommendation for Board consideration with regard to extension of completion deadline for VF18-05 Blue Sky grant to the City of Yuba City, School Crossing Improvement Project and authorize the APCO to execute related documents, seconded by Director Ghag.

All in favor, motion carried.

Approve Resolution #2019-13 consenting to County Counsel advising and representing the Feather River Air Quality Management District and waiving any actual or potential conflict of interest concerning the Agreement for Use of Motor Vehicle Registration Surcharge Fees and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown gave a report on Resolution #2019-13 consenting to County Counsel advising and representing the Feather River Air Quality Management District and waiving any actual or potential conflict of interest concerning the Agreement for Use of Motor Vehicle Registration Surcharge Fees.

Director Fletcher moved to approve Resolution #2019-13 consenting to County Counsel advising and representing the Feather River Air Quality Management District and waiving any actual or potential conflict of interest concerning the Agreement for Use of Motor Vehicle Registration Surcharge Fees and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents, seconded by Director Lofton.

All in favor, motion carried.

### **PUBLIC HEARING**

Report on AB2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots annual status.

- a) Open the public hearing.
- b) Public comment.
- c) Close the public hearing.

Vice-Chairman Conant opened the Public Hearing.

Mr. Brown referred to Ms. Sondra Spaethe, Air Quality Planner, for a report on AB2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots annual status.

Ms. Spaethe gave a report on AB2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots annual status.

Vice-Chairman Conant closed the Public Hearing.

Director Ghag moved to approve AB2588 Air Toxics Hot Spots annual status, seconded by Director McKenzie.

All in favor, motion carried.

### APPEARANCE ITEMS

Approve Resolution #2019-14 authorizing acceptance of a grant up to \$1,400,000 and participation in the Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emissions Reductions (FARMER) Program Year 3 and authorize the APCO to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown gave a report on Resolution #2019-14 authorizing acceptance of a grant up to \$1,400,000 and participation in the Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emissions Reductions (FARMER) Program Year 3.

Director Whiteaker moved to approve Resolution #2019-14 authorizing acceptance of a grant up to \$1,400,000 and participation in the Funding Agricultural Replacement Measures for Emissions Reductions (FARMER) Program Year 3 and authorize the APCO to execute related documents, seconded by Director Lofton.

All in favor, motion carried.

Authorize the District to purchase a new vehicle from Account #725-9901-441-60-03 (Fixed Assets) up to \$40,000 and authorize the APCO to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown gave a report on the District's purchase of a new vehicle from Account #725-9901-441-60-03 (Fixed Assets) up to \$40,000.

Director Bradford moved to approve the District to purchase a new vehicle from Account #725-9901-441-60-03 (Fixed Assets) up to \$40,000 and authorize the APCO to execute related documents, seconded by Director Cardoza.

All in favor, motion carried.

Mr. Brown stated that closed session could be withdrawn because the agreements were being approved in open session and there wasn't any discussion needed.

## **CLOSED SESSION**

Announcement of purpose of closed session:

#### CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATOR:

CONFERENCE WITH AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE: CHRISTOPHER D. BROWN, AICP, AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER -Unrepresented employees of the Feather River Air Quality Management District: Administrative Assistant, Administrative Fiscal Assistant, Air Quality Engineer I, Air Quality Engineer II, Air Quality Compliance Specialist II, Air Quality Planner II. (California government Code Section 54957.6)

CONFERENCE WITH AGENCY DESIGNATED REPRESENTATIVE: CHRISTOPHER D. BROWN, AICP, AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER -Unrepresented management employees of the Feather River Air Quality Management District: Administrative Services Officer, Air Quality Compliance Supervisor

## **APPEARANCE ITEMS**

Approve APCO employment agreement between Feather River Air Quality Management District and Christopher D. Brown and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown gave a report on the APCO employment agreement between Feather River Air Quality Management District and Christopher D. Brown.

Director Cardoza moved to approve the APCO employment agreement between Feather River Air Quality Management District and Christopher D. Brown and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents, seconded by Director Ghag.

All in favor, motion carried.

Director Pendergraph now present.

Chairman Pendergraph is now performing Chair duties.

Approve the Agreement between Feather River Air Quality Management District and its Employees regarding salaries and benefits and authorize the Chairman and related parties to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown gave a report on the Agreement between Feather River Air Quality Management District and its Employees regarding salaries and benefits.

Director Cardoza moved to approve the Agreement between Feather River Air Quality Management District and its Employees regarding salaries and benefits and authorize the Chairman and related parties to execute related documents, seconded by Director McKenzie.

All in favor, motion carried.

Approve the Agreement between Feather River Air Quality Management District and the Administrative Services Officer and Air Quality Compliance Supervisor positions regarding salaries and benefits and authorize the Chairman and related parties to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown gave a report on the Agreement between Feather River Air Quality Management District and the Administrative Services Officer and Air Quality Compliance Supervisor positions regarding salaries and benefits.

Director Lofton moved to approve the Agreement between Feather River Air Quality Management District and the Administrative Services Officer and Air Quality Compliance Supervisor positions regarding salaries and benefits and authorize the Chairman and related parties to execute related documents, seconded by Director Cardoza.

All in favor, motion carried.

Chairman Pendergraph inquired which item was next.

Mr. Brown stated that item 7 would be next and per the advice of Counsel items 13 and 14 were being pulled.

Report on the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) bump up from Moderate to Serious Classification.

Mr. Brown referred to Ms. Sondra Spaethe for a report on the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) bump up from Moderate to Serious Classification.

Ms. Spaethe gave a report on the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) bump up from Moderate to Serious Classification.

Discussion ensued regarding the 2015 Ozone National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) bump up from Moderate to Serious Classification.

Report on the District's Mutual Settlement Program (MSP).

Mr. Brown referred to Ms. Karla Sanders, Compliance Supervisor, for a report on the District's Mutual Settlement Program.

Ms. Sanders gave a report on the District's Mutual Settlement Program.

# Report on District's Burn Program.

Mr. Brown referred to Ms. Karla Sanders, Compliance Supervisor, for a report on the District's Burn Program.

Ms. Sanders gave a report on the District's Burn Program.

Discussion ensued regarding the District's Burn Program.

### APCO Update:

Mr. Brown gave an update on District activities which included the District was now fully staffed and was also in the process of implementing a new accounting system.

Mr. Brown stated that there have not been any new Hearing Board actions.

Mr. Brown stated that the Air Resources Board has been notifying truck drivers and truck owners that registration holds are now being placed on trucks due to the ARB Truck Regulation and this was causing a lot of concern. The District was receiving a lot of calls regarding this however the District can not help with this as it is a State Regulation and the District does not provide funding for truck replacements.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the EPA which included that the District was working with them to perhaps get some old rules from the 1980's removed from the State Implementation Plan. There are still a number of rules that are in the Plan that are for Yuba County and Sutter County

separately that were there before the Air District was merged. The current administration is very interested in removing old rules that aren't accomplishing anything.

Mr. Brown gave an update on legislation which included a possibility for a bond measure that may include some incentive funding for the Air Districts that would be much like the FARMER Program.

Mr. Brown gave an update on CAPCOA/BCC which included that CAPCOA sent a budget letter to the Governor asking for complete funding for the AB617 Program which was promised 4 years ago but not fully delivered.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the Grant Program which included the Mini Grant Program which would be accepting applications in the near future and also the Moyer Program that will be accepting applications the middle of January.

# **Board Member Reports**

Director Lofton stated this would be his last meeting and that he had enjoyed being on the Board.

Mr. Brown stated also that the District would be sending letters to the Clerks of the Counties and the Cities reminding them to make their appointments to the District Board.

With no further business Chairman Pendergraph adjourned the meeting at 4:50 p.m.

Attest:

Clerk of the Board

Chairman