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BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT SUTTER COUNTY AND YUBA COUNTY April 4, 2022

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, Joan Bechtel Conference Room, Yuba City, California. The following members were present: Directors Blaser, Ziegenmeyer, Conant, Ghag, Pendergraph and Espindola. Absent: Directors Fletcher, Bains and Branscum. 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.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman Ghag inquired if there were any public comments.

There were none.

APPROVAL OF CONSENT AGENDA

Approve the minutes of the February 7, 2022 Board meeting.

Approve Resolution #2022-03 authorizing participation in the California Air Pollution Control Officer's Association (CAPCOA Rural Assistance Carl Moyer Program, a grant award up to \$2,000,000 in project funding and associated administrative funding and authorize the APCO to execute related documents.

Director Pendergraph moved to approve the items on the consent agenda, seconded by Director Espindola.

All in favor, motion carried.

APPEARANCE ITEMS

Receive Emissions Reduction Credits (ERC) Update (Informational Item).

Mr. Brown referred to Mr. Paul Stricklin, District Engineer, for an update on the District Emissions Reduction Credits.

Director Bains is now present.

Mr. Stricklin gave for an update on the Districts Emissions Reduction Credits.

Discussion ensued regarding the District Emissions Reduction Credits.

Receive Community Air Protection Program Update (Informational Item)

Mr. Brown referred to Ms. Sondra Spaethe, District Planning and Engineering Supervisor, for and update on the Community Air Protection Program.

Ms. Spaethe gave an update on the Community Air Protection Program.

Discussion ensued regarding the Community Air Protection Program.

PUBLIC HEARING

Approve Resolution #2022-04 to adopt the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area 2021
Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown referred to Mr. Peter Angelonides, District Planner, for a report on Resolution #2022-04 to adopt the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area 2021 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan.

Mr. Angelonides gave an update on the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area 2021 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan.

Discussion ensued regarding Resolution #2022-04 to adopt the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area 2021 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan.

Chairman Ghag opened the Public Hearing.

There were no public comments.

Chairman Ghag closed the Public Hearing.

Director Pendergraph moved to approve Resolution #2022-04 to adopt the Northern Sacramento Valley Planning Area 2021 Triennial Air Quality Attainment Plan and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents, seconded by Director Conant.

All in favor, Motion carried.

Approve Resolution #2022-05 adopting amendments to Regulation VII rule 7.15 – Clean Air Act Fees and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents.

Mr. Brown referred to Ms. Spaethe for a report on Resolution #2022-05 adopting amendments to Regulation VII rule 7.15 – Clean Air Act Fees.

Ms. Spaethe gave a report on Resolution #2022-05 adopting amendments to Regulation VII rule 7.15 – Clean Air Act Fees.

Discussion ensued regarding Resolution #2022-05 adopting amendments to Regulation VII rule 7.15 – Clean Air Act Fees.

Chairman Ghag opened the Public Hearing.

There were no public comments.

Chairman Ghag closed the Public Hearing

Director Conant moved to approve Resolution #2022-05 adopting amendments to Regulation VII rule 7.15 – Clean Air Act Fees and authorize the Chairman to execute related documents, seconded by Director Ziegenmeyer.

All in favor. Motion carried.

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

Mr. Brown gave an update on the District activities which included updates on the District HVAC system, the opening of the office to the public with limited hours, updates to the building and office lighting and the District Budget.

Mr. Brown stated there were no Hearing Board actions at this time.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the Air Resources Board activities including the Asbestos Program which the state has decided not to pursue so the District will not need to take over the program.

Discussion ensued regarding the asbestos in the counties of Yuba and Sutter.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the EPA which included the SIP and the Clean Air Act. Mr. Brown stated that staff would be coming to the board with many items regarding these matters in the upcoming year. Mr. Brown also updated on the Sacramento Region Ozone Controls Federal Implementation Plan, which the EPA was doing up at Headquarters so there would be no impact at the District level.

Mr. Brown gave an update on Legislation regarding the State Budget, a bill that would allow the State to take over local Air Districts with the focus on the San Joaquin Valley, and a bill to extend the Moyer Program for 15 years.

Mr. Brown gave an update on CAPCOA and BCC which include that there was a BCC meeting the prior Friday there are still some issues with Butte County staff who have taken over but they are getting there and Director Conant is the Chairman and he did a very good job at his first meeting.

Mr. Brown gave an update on the Grants program which included Mini Grants Program.

Mr. Brown stated there was not much to update regarding the Sacramento Region.

Board Member Reports

Director Ziegenmeyer stated that he would like to have two items put on the board agenda for the next meeting. The first one being the board member reimbursements and doing them for the year. The second being the District Open Burn Program.

Mr. Brown stated that staff would put both items on the next agenda.

Director Conant stated that at the BCC meeting they had talked about Biomass Plants and forest waste, and they were going to be looking more into those facilities.

Discussion ensued regarding Biomass Plants.

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - PENDING LITIGATION.

Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 Subdivision (d)(4) 1 Cases

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – EXISTING LITIGATION. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 Subdivision (d)(1) Update on Ongoing Cases:

Case Number: CVCS22-0000478

Name of Case: PEOPLE ex rel. FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY

MANAGEMENT DISTRICT v. Thiara, JR, et al.

Director Pendergraph made a motion to adjourn the meeting with no further business.

With no further business Chairman Ghag adjourned the meeting at 5:52 p.m.

Attest:

Clerk of the Board

Chairman