

BOARD MEETING MINUTES

FEATHER RIVER AIR QUALITY MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
SUTTER COUNTY AND YUBA COUNTY

August 4, 2025

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 Messick, House, Vasquez, Gilchrist, Abe, Pasquale and Alternate Director Chapdelaine. Absent: Directors Bains, Flores and Pamma. 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 Maria Ramos.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Chairman House inquired if there were any public comments.

There were none.

CONSENT CALENDAR

Approve the minutes of the June 2, 2025, board meeting.

Authorize the APCO to enter into a two-year HR Services agreement with Regional Government Solutions (RGS) not to exceed \$55,000 and execute related documents.

Approve Resolution #2025-07 authorizing participation in the California Air Resources Board Community Air Protection Program, a grant award up to \$150,000, and authorize the Chairman and APCO to execute related documents.

Director Vasquez moved to approve the consent calendar, seconded by Director Messick.

All in favor, motion carried.

PUBLIC HEARING FINAL BUDGET

Conduct a Public Hearing for adoption of the Final Budget for FY 25/26.

Chairman House opened the public hearing.

Chairman House inquired if there were any public comments.

There were no public comments.

Director Vasquez moved to approve the adoption of the Final Budget for FY 25/26, seconded by Director Pasquale.

All in favor, motion carried.

APPEARANCE CALENDAR

Election of Special District Risk Management Authority ("SDRMA") Board Members.

Mr. Brown gave a brief report on the Election of SDRMA's board members.

Board member discussion ensued.

Director Messick moved to elect the list of candidates recommended by the District, seconded by Director Pasquale.

All in favor, motion carried.

Discussion on future SDRMA Board Election procedures.

Mr. Brown gave a brief background on the SDRMA's Board Election procedures.

Director Messick moved to approve staff's recommendation on voting for SDRMA Board Members in the future, authorizing the APCO and the Administrative Services Officer/Clerk of the Board to cast the vote, after consulting with the Board Chair. Director Vasquez seconded this motion.

All in favor, motion carried.

Appoint the APCO as negotiator to represent the Feather River Air Quality Management District Board of Directors for employee bargaining.

Mr. Brown stated that appointing the negotiator to represent the Feather River Air Quality Management District Board of Directors is step one for employee bargaining.

Ms. Deborah Micheli stated that the negotiator needed to be approved by the board prior to the closed session.

Director Pasquale moved to approve the Appointment of the APCO as negotiator to represent the Feather River Air Quality Management District Board of Directors for employee bargaining, seconded by Director Abe.

All in favor, motion carried.

District Mini Grant Program Annual Update (FY 24/25)

Mr. Brown referred to Ms. Sondra Spaethe, District Planning and Engineering Supervisor, for an update on the Mini Grant Program (FY 24/25).

Ms. Spaethe gave an update on the Mini Grant Program (FY 24/25).

Board member discussion ensued.

AIR POLLUTION CONTROL OFFICER REPORT

Receive APCO Update: (Informational Only).

Mr. Brown gave an update on District activities, Air Resources Board Activities, U.S. EPA activities, Legislation, CAPCOA, BCC, Grant programs, Sacramento Region activities.

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 I, Air Quality Compliance Specialist I,

Air Quality Compliance Specialist II, and Air Quality Planner I/II.

(California government Code Section 54957.6)

Director Bains is now present.

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL – INITIATING LITIGATION. Pursuant to Government Code section 54956.9 Subdivision (d)(4)

3 Cases

Upon conclusion of the closed session Ms. Deborah Micheli, District Counsel, reported that the Board approved to initiate litigation against Jr. Thiara and Jasmin Thiara by a vote of 8 to 0.

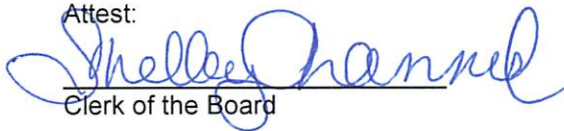
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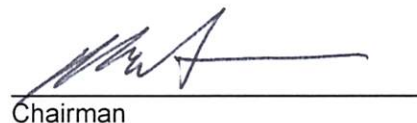
Board member reports.

Director House stated that Marysville was holding a Farm to Fork dinner on September 27th.

With no further business Chairman House adjourned the meeting at approximately 5:05 p.m.

Attest:


Clerk of the Board


Chairman