

AMSTERDAM WATER DISTRICT

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MEETING NOTICE AND AGENDA FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE AMSTERDAM WATER DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

July 1, 2021 @ 1:00 PM

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the Special Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Amsterdam Water District will be held on July 1, 2021, at 1:00 PM. VIA Teleconference due to COVID-19 restrictions.

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/591457536?pwd=bU9PaFhGUDRaU1dVei9tTlo5dkR4QT09>

Conference call in number: (669)-900-9128, Passcode: 1234, Meeting ID: 591 457 536

- 1. CALL TO ORDER**
- 2. ROLL CALL**
- 3. PUBLIC COMMENT**
 - a. Interested persons in the audience are welcome to introduce any topic within the Agency's jurisdiction. No action may be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that the Board may briefly respond to the comments, refer the matter to staff, or request it to be placed on a future agenda.
- 4. BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE MAY 11, 2021, BOARD MEETING MINUTES**
- 5. BUDGET**
 - a. Board to Review and Consider Approval of the Payable List and the Budget to Actual Report
- 6. BOARD TO REVIEW AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR AN AMSTERDAM WATER DISTRICT GENERAL ELECTION SCHEDULED TO BE HELD ON NOVEMBER 2, 2021**
- 7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY: UPDATE**
- 8. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**
 - a. Board Members may provide a brief report on notable topics of interest.
- 9. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 10. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE – AUGUST 10, 2021, at 1:00 pm**
- 11. ADJOURNMENT**

Amsterdam Water District
Regular Board of Director Meeting Minutes

May 11, 2021

ZOOM MEETING

ATTENDANCE

DIRECTORS

Bert Crane Jr:	President
Mary Crane Couchman:	Vice President
Benjamin Crane:	Secretary
Karen Crane McNab:	Director
Craig Johnson:	Director

OTHERS

Brad Samuelson:	Water & Land Solutions, LLC
Mike Gardner:	Water & Land Solutions, LLC
Art Godwin:	Robbins, Godwin, et al.
Alan Doud:	Young Wooldridge, LLP
Mark Couchman:	The Silverado Group
Ryan Jolley:	Bryant L. Jolley, CPA

CALL TO ORDER

President Crane called the meeting to order at 1:00 pm.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Gardner stated that all Directors were on the Zoom call.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Director Johnson and seconded by Director McNab, the March 9, 2021 minutes were unanimously approved.

BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL REPORT AND PAYMENT OF BILLS

Upon a motion by Director Ben Crane and seconded by Director Couchman, the financial report and payment of bills were unanimously approved.

BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2020 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT

Upon a motion by Director Ben Crane and seconded by Director McNab, the 2020 financial audit report was unanimously approved.

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY UPDATE

Mr. Samuelson reported that the Merced GSA is proposing to create 6 subbasin Sustainability Zones within the GSA based on hydrology and geo-political boundaries. Amsterdam Water District could be limited on trading groundwater credits only within its Sustainability Zone.

Also, the Merced GSA proposed a 5-year demand reduction plan in the amount of 15,000 acre feet over the next 5 years. Mr. Samuelson indicated the plan was not well received. MID felt like the number should be in the 60,000 acre foot range.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Director Bert Crane Jr:	No report
Director Couchman:	No report
Director Benjamin Crane:	No report
Director McNab:	No report
Director Johnson:	No report

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Director McNab wanted to make sure that Merced Irrigation District removes Lot 52 from their boundary as it is already in the Amsterdam Water Districts boundary. Brad said he would follow up with MID.

Mr. Godwin reported that Governor Newsome announced a 5.1 billion dollar proposed investment for water improvements. There might be some money available for SGMA and water conservation projects for Amsterdam Water District

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

June 8, 2021, at 1:00 pm.

ACTION ITEMS

Follow up with MID to remove Lot 52 from their boundary.

ADJOURNMENT

President Crane adjourned the meeting at 1:39 pm.

Secretary
Benjamin C. Crane

Amsterdam Water District

**Payable List
July 1, 2021**

CK#	Date	Name	Deposit	Expense	Bank Balance	Description
					\$85,068.52	
1109	5/1/2021	Pacific Ag Insurance		\$816.00	\$84,252.52	2021 Liability Insurance
1114	5/7/2021	Provost & Pritchard		\$39.20	\$84,213.32	Apr. Website Hosting
1115	5/31/2021	RBG&M Attorneys at Law		330.00	\$83,883.32	May Professional Services
1116	5/31/2021	Spinardi & Jones		\$60.00	\$83,823.32	May Professional Services
1117	6/1/2021	Wagner & Bonisignore		\$475.00	\$83,348.32	May Professional Services
1118	6/1/2021	Water and Land Solutions		\$5,663.00	\$77,685.32	May Management Fee
3971	5/26/2021	Mary Crane Couchman	\$1,540.88		\$79,226.20	Additional Acre Assessment
	6/22/2021	Merced Irrigation District		\$37.12	\$79,189.08	MID Cost Share
	6/10/2021	Provost & Pritchard		\$78.40	\$79,110.68	May Website Hosting
Totals			\$1,540.88	\$7,498.72	\$79,110.68	

**Amsterdam Water District
FY 2021 Budget to Actual
January - December**

July 1, 2021

Adopted 11/10/2020

Description	Budget	2021		Estimated to Complete		
		Actual	%	Jul-Dec	Total	%
Revenue						
Assessment	\$171,985	\$87,533	51%	\$84,451	\$171,985	100%
Expenses						
O&M	\$171,956	\$38,910	23%	\$136,205	\$175,115	102%
Water						
Total	\$171,956					

\$29

Voluntary Assessment Irrigable(\$)	\$ 170,134
Voluntary Assessment Irrigable (\$/Ac)	\$ 44.27
Voluntary Assessment Non-Irrigable(\$)	\$ 1,851
Voluntary Assessment Non-Irrigable (\$/Ac)	\$ 0.66

Total Revenue \$171,985

Landowner Name	Acres		Total	Total Assessment
	Irrigable	Non-Irrigable		
Bert Crane Jr.	43	0	43	\$1,903.61
Bert Crane Orchards	1,287	166	1,453	\$57,085.05
Bert S. Crane & Nancy M. Crane 2004 Trust	0	737	737	\$486.16
Crane Ag Land and Farming	45	0	45	\$2,009.86
Bert S. Crane & Nancy M. Crane Irrevocable 1993 Trust	268	605	873	\$12,263.66
Craig and Maureen Johnson	76	55	131	\$3,400.82
Johnson Family 1992 Trust	361	0	361	\$15,981.47
Karen Crane McNabb LLC	993	503	1,496	\$44,292.31
Mary Crane Couchman Trust	365.7	688	1,054	\$16,643.74
Mary Crane Couchman Family Partnership L. P.	404	50	454	\$17,917.98
	3,843	2,804	6,647	\$171,984.66
	58%	42%	100%	

Adjusted Mary Crane Couchmans Acres (email dated 8-18-20)

Amsterdam Water District
FY 2021 Budget to Actual
January - December
July 1, 2021

Operation & Maintenance

	Description	Budget	2021		Estimated to Complete		
			Actual	%	Jul-Dec	Total	%
I.	Administration						
a.	Management: Water & Land Solutions	\$67,956	\$28,315	42%	\$39,641	\$67,956	100%
b.	General Counsel	\$10,000	\$1,770	18%	\$8,230	\$10,000	100%
c.	Insurance	\$1,500	\$816	54%	\$684	\$1,500	100%
d.	Audit	\$3,000	\$4,000	133%	\$0	\$4,000	133%
e.	Supplies, Misc.	\$500		0%	\$500	\$500	100%
f.	Accounting Services	\$2,500	\$1,410	56%	\$1,090	\$2,500	100%
g.	District Reserves (\$31,352)	\$0			\$0	\$0	
h.	Wagner & Bonsignore	\$0	\$1,863		\$0	\$1,863	
i.	Merced Irrigation District	\$0.00	\$297		\$0	\$297	
	Sub	\$85,456	\$38,471	45%	\$50,145	\$88,615	104%
II.	Operations & Maintenance: Facilities						
a.	Repairs & Maintenance						
b.	PGE Power						
	Sub	\$0.00	\$0.00	0%	\$0	\$0	0%
III.	Merced Sub-basin: SGMA Compliance						
a.	GSA Participation	\$0					
b.	Website P&P (hosting & maintenance)	\$1,500	\$440	29%	\$1,060	\$1,500	100%
	Sub	\$1,500	\$440	0%	\$1,060	\$1,500	100%
IV.	Appropriative Water Right (SWRCB)						
a.	Flood Water Application (1of 4)	\$85,000.0	\$0.0	0%	\$85,000	\$85,000	0%
	TOTAL	\$171,956	\$38,910	23%	\$136,205	\$175,115	102%

AMSTERDAM WATER DISTRICT

Notice of Election

Notice is hereby given that a general election is scheduled to be held in Amsterdam Water District on November 2, 2021, for the office of Director. There are two (2) four-year terms to be filled. To be qualified, a candidate must be over the age of 18 years and either a holder of title to land within the District or the legal representative of a holder of title to land within the District. If a corporation holds title to land, the president of the corporation or persons selected by resolution of its board of directors filed with the District are qualified.

Official declaration of candidacy forms for eligible candidates desiring to file for any of the elective offices may be obtained from the office of the Secretary of the District at 2941 South State Highway 59, Merced, CA. 95341. The forms are available commencing July 12, 2021 and must be filed in the District office no later than August 6, 2021 at 5pm. The candidate shall pay for the publication of any statement of qualifications described in Elections Code section 13307 to be included with the mail ballot.

Appointment of each elective office will be made as prescribed by Section 10515 of the Elections Code in the event there are no nominees or an insufficient number of nominees for such office and a petition for an election is not filed within the time period prescribed by Section 10515 of the Elections Code.

Dated: July 1, 2021

Amsterdam Water District

Mr. Benjamin C. Crane, Secretary