

**Amsterdam Water District
Board Meeting Minutes
October 10, 2023**

ATTENDANCE:

DIRECTORS

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

OTHERS

Mark Couchman:	The Silverado Group-Zoom
Mike Gardner:	Water & Land Solutions, LLC
Art Godwin:	Robbins, Godwin, et al.-Zoom
Christie Gresham	Crane Cattle Company
Brad Samuelson:	Water & Land Solutions, LLC

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

A quorum of the Board of Directors was present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Director Couchman and seconded by Director Johnson, the August 8, 2023, minutes were unanimously approved. The vote on the matter was as follows:

Ayes: Bert Crane, Couchman, Ben Crane, McNab, Johnson	Nays:	None
Absent:	Abstain:	None

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

Upon a motion by Director McNab and seconded by Director Ben Crane, the Financial Report and payment of bills were unanimously approved as presented by Mr. Gardner. The vote on the matter was as follows:

Ayes: Bert Crane, Couchman, Ben Crane, McNab, Johnson	Nays:	None
Absent:	Abstain:	None

BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE FY2024 BUDGET AND VOLUNTARY ASSESSMENT

Upon a motion by Director Ben Crane and seconded by Director Couchman, the FY2024 budget (\$134,406) and voluntary assessment (irrigated \$32.09 & non- irrigated \$.59 per acre) were unanimously approved as presented by Mr. Gardner. Included in the 2024 budget is a Capital Improvement Project line item which saves \$35,000 per year for three years. The vote on the matter was as follows:

Ayes: Bert Crane, Couchman, Ben Crane, McNab, Johnson	Nays:	None
Absent:	Abstain:	None

SURFACE WATER DELIVERY REPORT

- | | |
|-------------------------------------------------|----------|
| a) Amount purchased from MID (10-year transfer) | 1,390 AF |
| b) Usage to date | 2,951 AF |
| c) Tier 2 water deliveries to date (at \$75/AF) | 1,561 AF |

PROJECTS: PROP 68 WATER PROJECTS UPDATE

Mr. Samuelson reported that the engineering proposal was received from Summers Engineering for the groundwater recharge study. The breakdown is \$56,800 for the geotechnical work by See’s Consulting & Testing, Inc. and \$8,600 for the site suitability report from Summers Engineering. The total proposal is \$65,400. The proposal has been signed and the work will be scheduled as soon as possible.

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY UPDATE

Mr. Samuelson showed a draft revised sustainability zone map and stated that the subbasin is looking at three different aquifers: above the Corcoran Clay (CC), below the CC, and outside of the CC. The map shows the Amsterdam Water District (AWD) boundary is in the area that has low groundwater level change since 2015.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

Director Bert Crane Jr: Director Crane voiced his concern with district staff related to the following items:

1. District staff left the August board meeting early without notice with important items to discuss.
2. Board meeting materials not distributed to the board members in a timely manner prior to the board meeting.
3. District staff received an increase in management fee this year based on overhead and cost of doing business, yet the General Manager has a home office.

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

unimpaired flow from the Merced, Stanislaus, and Tuolumne Rivers. The State Board also released a draft environmental document for phase two of the Bay Delta Plan update which includes the Sacramento Valley and Delta Area. That plan has a proposed project calling for 55% unimpaired flow coming off the tributaries coming into the Delta. It also includes a voluntary agreement alternative.

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

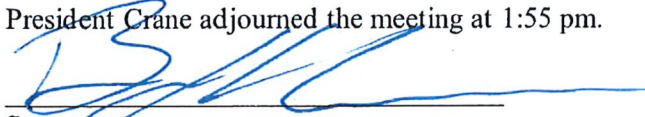
November 14, 2023, at 1:00 pm.

ACTION ITEMS

There were no action items.

ADJOURNMENT

President Crane adjourned the meeting at 1:55 pm.



Secretary

Benjamin C. Crane