

AMSTERDAM WATER DISTRICT

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

September 13, 2022, at 1:00 PM

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- 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. DIRECTOR KAREN CRANE MCNAB TELECONFERENCE LOCATION**
 - a. Lot 13 Lumber Yard Street, Ocho Rios, Jamaica
- 5. DIRECTOR MARY CRANE COUCHMAN TELECONFERENCE LOCATION**
 - a. 3136 Iowa Avenue, Modesto, CA. 95358
- 6. BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE JULY 12, 2022, BOARD MEETING MINUTES**
- 7. BUDGET**
 - a. Board to Review and Consider Approval of the Payable List and Budget to Actual Report
- 8. PROJECTS UPDATE:**
 - a. Prop 68 AWD Water Projects
 - b. Temporary Water Rights Application
- 9. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY UPDATE**
- 10. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS**
 - a. Board Members may provide a brief report on notable topics of interest.
- 11. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 12. NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE – October 11, 2022, at 1:00 pm**
- 13. ADJOURNMENT**

**Amsterdam Water District
Board Meeting Minutes
July 12, 2022**

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.
Maureen Johnson:	Johnson Cattle Co.
Christie Gresham:	Crane Farming Co.
Ryan Jolley:	Bryant L. Jolley, CPA-called in

CALL TO ORDER

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

ROLL CALL

Mr. Gardner stated that all Directors were present.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Director McNab and seconded by Director Johnson, the May 10, 2022, minutes were unanimously approved.

BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF THE 2021 FINANCIAL AUDIT REPORT

Upon a motion by Director Benjamin Crane and seconded by Director Couchman, the 2021 financial audit report was unanimously approved as presented by Ryan Jolley.

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

Upon a motion by Director Couchman and seconded by Director Johnson, the financial report and payment of bills were unanimously approved as presented.

PROJECTS: PROP 68 UPDATE

Mr. Samuelson reported the Merced Subbasin received a total of 7.6 million dollars for 10 projects. Merced Irrigation District (MID) was designated as the applicant for the Merced Subbasin and it's up to MID to prioritize the projects. Amsterdam Water District (AWD) received \$100,000 from the Prop 68 grant for planning purposes.

The Department of Water Resources (DWR), MID, and AWD are in the process of finalizing the draft grant agreement. AWD should have access to the funds in 30 to 60 days. The grant is set up for AWD to spend the money and then get reimbursed by DWR. The District will have to decide how to fund the projects before the reimbursement happens.

PROJECTS: AWD WATER PROJECTS UPDATE

Mr. Samuelson gave a presentation on the cost benefits of all 4 projects:

1. Pipeline Project	Cost-\$670,000	Benefit-2,800 af/yr	\$/AF-\$239.29
2. 8-acre recharge pond	Cost-\$280,000	Benefit-720 af/yr	\$/AF-\$388.89
3. 25-acre recharge pond	Cost-\$395,000	Benefit-1,260 af/yr	\$/AF-\$313.49
4. 20-acre recharge pond	Cost-\$365,000	Benefit-1,260 af/yr	\$/AF-\$289.68

The total estimated cost of all 4 projects is \$1.7 million. Materials have increased considerably, so all these estimates would have to be refined.

Director Benjamin Crane stated that there is an existing pipeline that runs from Castle Dam to the Bert Crane reservoir that if utilized would substantially reduce the cost of Project 1. That existing pipeline could be dedicated to AWD and convey significant amount of surface water from Castle Reservoir to the Bert Crane reservoir for groundwater recharge. It was noted that construction of the reservoir revealed a significant sand layer in the soil lithology, which indicates it may be well suited for recharge.

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY UPDATE

Mr. Samuelson reported the regular scheduled GSA meeting that was scheduled for July 14, 2022, has been rescheduled for July 19, 2022, at 4:30 pm. The two main agenda items for the meeting are the revised Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and the prop 218 election. Mr. Samuelson reported that the GSA is continuing the process to have a prop 218 election. The new assessment to irrigated acres (estimated \$28) will fund a land fallowing program, GSA administration, and a domestic well mitigation program for 5 years. The GSA is setting the stage for a groundwater allocation program to begin in 2026, which will likely be a volumetric based fee program.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

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

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No items to report.

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

August 9, 2022, at 1:00 pm.

ACTION ITEMS

1. Craig Johnson's recharge pond project-change Edendale to Canal Creek

ADJOURNMENT

President Crane adjourned the meeting at 2:06 pm.

Secretary

Benjamin C. Crane

**Amsterdam Water District
Payable List**

September 13, 2022

CK#	Date	Name	Deposit	Expense	Bank Balance	Description
					\$210,957.43	
1178	7/5/2022	Bryant L. Jolley, CPA		\$4,250.00	\$206,707.43	June Professional Services
1179	7/28/2022	Kemper CPA Group		\$186.00	\$206,521.43	July Professional Services
1180	7/27/2022	Provost & Pritchard		\$87.85	\$206,433.58	June Website Hosting
1181	7/31/2022	RBG&M Attorneys at Law		\$420.00	\$206,013.58	July Professional Services
1182	8/1/2022	Wagner & Bonisignore		\$1,317.50	\$204,696.08	July Professional Services
1183	7/31/2022	Water and Land Solutions		\$5,663.00	\$199,033.08	July Management Fee
	8/25/2022	Kemper CPA Group		\$33.50	\$198,999.58	Aug. Professional Services
	7/31/2022	Provost & Pritchard		\$42.00	\$198,957.58	Jul. Website Hosting
	9/1/2022	Wagner & Bonisignore		\$1,618.25	\$197,339.33	Aug. Professional Services
	8/31/2022	Water and Land Solutions		\$5,663.00	\$191,676.33	Aug. Management Fee
		Totals	\$0.00	\$19,281.10	\$191,676.33	

Amsterdam Water District

FY 2022 Assessments

January - December

September 13, 2022

Adopted 10/12/2021

Description	Budget	Actual	%	Estimated to Complete		
				Oct-Dec	Total	%
Revenue						
Assessment	\$124,308	\$125,281	101%	\$0	\$125,281	101%
Expenses						
O&M	\$124,308	\$58,473	47%	\$65,835	\$124,308	100%
Water						
Total	\$124,308					

\$0

Voluntary Assessment Irrigable(\$)	\$ 122,941
Voluntary Assessment Irrigable (\$/Ac)	\$ 30.32
Voluntary Assessment Non-Irrigable(\$)	\$ 1,367
Voluntary Assessment Non-Irrigable (\$/Ac)	\$ 0.53

Total Revenue \$124,308

Landowner Name	Acres			Total Assessment
	Irrigable	Non-Irrigable	Total	
Bert Crane Jr.	43.00	0.00	43.00	\$1,303.65
Bert Crane Orchards	1,287.00	166.00	1,453.00	\$39,106.23
Bert S. Crane & Nancy M. Crane 2004 Trust	0.00	736.60	736.60	\$388.59
Crane Ag Land and Farming	45.40	0.00	45.40	\$1,376.42
Bert S. Crane & Nancy M. Crane Irrevocable 1993 Trust	268.00	605.00	873.00	\$8,444.26
Craig and Maureen Johnson	76.00	55.00	131.00	\$2,333.15
Johnson Family 1992 Trust	361.00	0.00	361.00	\$10,944.63
Karen Crane McNabb LLC	993.00	503.33	1,496.33	\$30,370.84
Mary Crane Couchman Trust	577.70	476.19	1,053.89	\$17,765.65
Mary Crane Couchman Family Partnership L. P.	404.00	49.85	453.85	\$12,274.58
	<u>4,055.10</u>	<u>2,591.97</u>	<u>6,647.07</u>	<u>\$124,308.00</u>
	61%	39%	100%	

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

Separated out Nancy's and Bens Acres on the 2004 Trust as per phone call from Ben (9-17-2020)

Added 212 irrigated acres to Mary Crane Couchman Trust (July 2021)

The District has collected \$62,704 out of the \$94,056 in Reserves

Added 28 irrigated acres to Karen Crane McNab LLC-email May 11, 2022-will reflect on 2023 budget

Added 21 irrigated acres to Mary Crane Couchman Trust-email May 11, 2022-will reflect on 2023 budget

Amsterdam Water District
FY 2022 Budget to Actual
January - December
September 13, 2022
Adopted 10/12/2021
Operation & Maintenance

	Description	Budget	2022		Estimated to Complete		
			Actual	%	Oct-Dec	Total	%
I.	Administration						
a.	Management: Water & Land Solutions	\$67,956	\$45,304	67%	\$22,652	\$67,956	100%
b.	General Counsel	\$10,000	\$2,310	23%	\$7,690	\$10,000	100%
c.	Insurance	\$1,500	\$816	54%	\$684	\$1,500	100%
d.	Audit	\$4,000	\$4,250	106%	-\$250	\$4,000	100%
e.	Supplies, Misc.	\$500		0%	\$500	\$500	100%
f.	Accounting Services	\$3,000	\$1,772	59%	\$1,228	\$3,000	100%
g.	District Reserves (\$31,352)	\$31,352		0%	\$31,352	\$31,352	100%
h.	Website: Provost and Pritchard	\$1,000	\$560	56%	\$440	\$1,000	100%
	Sub	\$119,308	\$55,012	46%	\$64,296	\$119,308	100%
II.	Appropriative Water Right (SWRCB)						
a.	Flood Water Application *						
b.	Temporary Water Right Application	\$5,000	\$3,461.5	0%	\$1,539	\$5,000	100%
	Sub	\$5,000	\$3,462	\$0	\$1,539	\$5,000	100%
	TOTAL	\$124,308	\$58,473	47%	\$65,835	\$124,308	100%

* \$296.68 out of the budgeted amount of \$85,000 was spent in 2021, so \$84,703.32 will carryover into 2022.