

Amsterdam Water District
Board of Director Meeting Minutes
November 12, 2019

ATTENDANCE

DIRECTORS

Bert Crane Jr:	President
Mary Crane Couchman:	Vice President - Arrived at 3:31 pm
Benjamin Crane:	Secretary
Karen Crane McNab:	Director - Via Conference Line
Craig Johnson:	Director

OTHERS

Art Godwin:	Robbins, Godwin, et al.
Mike Gardner:	Water & Land Solutions, LLC
Chase Hurley:	Water & Land Solutions, LLC

CALL TO ORDER

President Bert Crane Jr. called the meeting to order at 3:30 pm.

ROLL CALL

Director Benjamin Crane stated all Directors were present except Director McNab who was on the conference line and Director Couchman who arrived at 3:31 pm.

PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no public comment.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Upon a motion by Director Ben Crane and seconded by Director Johnson, the September minutes were unanimously approved.

BOARD TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF FINANCIAL REPORT AND PAYMENT OF BILLS

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

BOARD TO APPROVE THE 2020 BUDGET & VOLUNTARY ASSESSMENT

Upon a motion by Director Ben Crane and seconded by Director Johnson, the FY2020 budget and voluntary assessment were unanimously approved as follows:

Irrigated Acres: \$27.63/Acre Non-Irrigated Acres: \$0.42/Acre

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY (GSA): UPDATE

Mr. Hurley gave a detailed report on the status of the Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA). The Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) for the Merced Subbasin will be formally submitted at the end of December 2019. The first annual report is going to be due in April 2020.

Mr. Hurley also reported that the Merced County Subbasin fees were established at \$0.31 for every non-irrigated acre and \$2.48 for every irrigated acre to administer the GSP.

BOARD MEMBER REPORTS

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

He is working with Mr. Samuelson and Mr. Gardner on potential groundwater recharge locations. He reported that he dug 4 backhoe pits trying to determine the best location and soil type. The next steps are to hire a company to bore down to 50 feet and evaluate the soil for percolation potential, evaluate the topography for pond construction, and determine what size pond is desired. He also reported that he is continuing to work on redesigning the electrical power they receive from PG&E off the Cressey Line near Oakdale Road.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Mr. Hurley reported that, as a public entity, the District should have a reserve policy in place to identify what excess cash is being held for. President Crane asked that staff bring back to the board a draft policy at their next meeting.

NEXT BOARD MEETING DATE

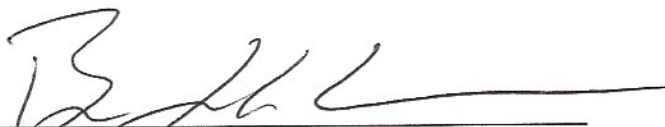
The next board meeting date will be determined by staff

ACTION ITEMS

Draft a Reserve Policy for board to consider at the next board meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

President Crane adjourned the meeting at 4:02 pm.


Secretary
Benjamin C. Crane