

Amador Air District Board of Directors Meeting

Summary Minutes for October 19, 2021 Meeting held at 1:30 pm

Meeting was recorded in the Amador County Board of Supervisors Chambers
810 Court Street, Jackson, California

Determination of a Quorum

Present on Roll Call:

Pat Crew	Amador County District 1, Supervisor
Richard Forster	Amador County District 2, Supervisor
Bob Stimpson	City of Jackson, Councilman
Bruce Smith*	City of Amador City, Councilman
Linda Rianda	City of Sutter Creek, Councilman
Diane Wratten*	City of Ione, Councilman

*Attended via Zoom

Absent on Roll Call:

Keith White	City of Plymouth, Councilman
Frank Axe*	Amador County District 4, Supervisor (Chair)
Jeff Brown*	Amador County District 3, Supervisor
Brian Oneto	Amador County District 5, Supervisor

*On vacation

Staff/Others:

Herminia Perry, Air Pollution Control Officer

Matt Peterson, AAD Inspector

Dominic Moreno, Sutter Creek Fire Chief

NOTE: These minutes remain in *Draft* form until approved by Minute Order at the next regular meeting of the Board of Directors. Any packets prepared by Staff are hereby incorporated into these minutes by reference as though set forth in full. Any staff report, recommended findings, mitigation measures, conditions, or recommendations, which are referred to by Board members in their decisions, which are contained in the staff reports, are part of these minutes by reference only. Any written material, petitions, packets, or comments received at the hearing also become a part of these minutes by reference.

At 1:33 p.m. Director Stimpson called the meeting to order. It was determined that there was a quorum for business.

Pledge of Allegiance: Director Stimpson led the Board and staff in the Pledge of Allegiance.

<p>Approval of Agenda: Approval of the agenda for this date; any and all off agenda items must be approved by the Board (pursuant to §54954.2 of the Government Code).</p>	
<p>Motion:</p>	<p>It was moved by <u>Director Crew</u>, seconded by <u>Director Forster</u>, and unanimously carried to approve the agenda for this date. Vote 6-0</p> <p>Absent: Directors Oneto, Brown, Axe, and White</p>
<p>Public Matters Not on the Agenda: Discussion items only; no action to be taken. Any person may address the Board at this time upon any subject within the jurisdiction of the Amador Air District Board of Directors; however, any matter that requires action may be referred to staff and/or a committee for a report and recommendation for possible action at a subsequent Board meeting. Please note - there is a five (5) minute limit per topic</p>	
<p>Administrative Matters</p>	
<p>1.</p> <p>Motion:</p>	<p>Minutes: Review and approval of the August 17, 2021 Board Minutes: Approved.</p> <p>It was moved by Director Forster, seconded by Director Rianda, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes for this date. Vote 6-0</p> <p>Absent: Directors Oneto, Brown, Axe, and White</p>
<p>2.</p> <p>Motion:</p>	<p>Green Vehicle Police Incentive Pilot Program: Action</p> <p>APCO Perry introduced the Green Vehicle Police Incentive pilot program that would help our local City Police departments’ move towards cleaner air quality by providing assistance in procuring electric/greener (low emission) vehicles to add to their fleets. Amador Air District (AAD) has a total budget of \$99,000 for this pilot program. \$33,000 will be allocated to each of the three (3) Police departments in the County (City of Lone, Sutter Creek, and Jackson).</p> <p>To qualify, the new vehicle must be hybrid, Battery Electric Vehicles (BEV), Plug-in Hybrid Electric Vehicles (PHEV), or Hydrogen Fuel Cell Electric Vehicles (HFCEV). The new purchased vehicle will replace an old polluting vehicle. Each Police department must get rid of an old vehicle. How they achieve this, will be left at their discretion but it must be taken out of the County.</p> <p>It was moved by <u>Director Forster</u>, seconded by <u>Director Rianda</u>, and unanimously carried to approve authorization to proceed with the program. Vote 6-0</p> <p>Absent: Directors Oneto, Brown, Axe, and White</p>

3.	<p>Credit Card for Amador Air District: Action APCO Perry explained the need for the Amador Air District (AAD) to have a department credit card. AAD is a special district that often has expenses beyond what is typical for County purchases. AAD staff is responsible for maintenance of our own District vehicles and we often need to make air quality related purchases through outside vendors. As the District receives grants, many of them are coming in as lump sums/advanced pay. These grant monies may be used to purchase various items that are often not found on Office Depot. In addition to, AAD staff often attends conferences, meetings and trainings that require registration fees, lodging accommodations, and travel expenses. For transparency purposes, AAD would like to have a department credit card to make purchases to avoid having to constantly submit reimbursable claims paid to staff.</p>
Motion:	<p>It was moved by <u>Director Rianda</u>, seconded by <u>Director Crew</u>, and unanimously carried to approve APCO to work with staff from the Auditor-Controller department to get a department credit card. Vote 6-0</p> <p>Absent: Directors Oneto, Brown, Axe, and White</p>
4.	<p>CARB Truck and Bus Regulation: Action APCO Perry explained the Truck and Bus Regulation has been in effect since 2008. The purpose of this rule is to significantly reduce particulate matter (PM) and oxides of nitrogen emissions from existing diesel vehicles operating in California. This regulation applies to nearly all diesel fueled trucks and buses with a gross vehicle weight rating (GVWR) greater than 14,000 pounds that are privately or federally owned. This topic has been of great interest to some Board members but unfortunately, those members have not been able to attend the meetings to discuss. Board members present decided it would be worthy of bringing back to our next meeting to allow them to participate in the discussion.</p>
Motion:	<p>No formal motion was made. Staff was directed to bring back to next meeting.</p> <p>Absent: Directors Oneto, Brown, Axe, and White</p>
5.	<p>APCO Updates: Information only, no action to be taken.</p> <p>Smoke Reduction Bin Program: We just hosted the last of our free disposal days at the transfer station. This wraps up our program for the year with the exception of the Sutter Creek bin. The cost of these events has significantly increased as the months went by. ACES was bringing on board extra staff to help with the traffic flow. Supervisor Brown and I had a meeting with ACES management to discuss the price increase. ACES offered to cap our program at \$65K and still allow us to continue running the program as usual.</p> <p>Dominic Moreno, Sutter Creek Fire Chief – expressed his appreciation of having the bin at his fire station year round. They monitor the bin and even compact the material to allow more room for residents to utilize. Dominic also mentioned the</p>

	<p>need to encourage County residents to also burn. He also expressed his interest in a potential chipping program at his fire station. He would be looking into that.</p> <p>Electric Vehicle Charging Station Pilot Program: Our cities are still hard at work trying to get EV charging stations installed in their cities.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • City of Lone – Director Wratten has brought this up at her previous two cities council meetings and has not been given a concrete answer. She plans on having this be placed on the agenda for their next meeting. • City of Sutter Creek – AAD staff met with City Manager, Amy Gedney to discuss the placement of the chargers. Amy is working through the channels to get this done. • City of Jackson – has opted out of this program. Costs of replacing the two stations they already have would be around \$70,000. • City of Plymouth – No answer. • City of Amador City – continuing to work on this. <p>I would like to give the Cities who have not really committed to this to make a decision on their participation. In January, I would like to bring this back to the Board as an agenda item to allow me to open the remaining funds to other businesses or agencies interested in participating.</p> <p>Matt Peterson Retiring 2022: Matt has informed me that he has decided to retire at the beginning of the year. Matt has been with the air district for more than 10 years. I will be working with HR to fill his position in the coming weeks and hopefully get somebody in to do cross training with Matt.</p> <p>Financials: APCO Perry presented the Board with current financial sheets. Informational purpose only.</p> <p>Absent: Directors Oneto, Brown, Axe, and White</p>
Correspondence:	None
Adjournment:	At 2:10pm the meeting was adjourned until January 18, 2022 at 1:30 pm