

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ARVIN COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT March 4, 2024

The Board of Directors of the Arvin Community Services District duly met at a Regular Board Meeting held on Monday, March 4, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. at 309 Campus Dr., Arvin, CA 93203.

The meeting was called to order by President Reyna at 6:02 PM Directors Present: Reyna, Alvarez, Ojeda (6:06 p.m.), Gallardo. ABSENT: Pantoja. Others Present: General Manager/Board Secretary – Raul Barraza, Jr.; Legal Counsel – Alan J. Peake

Pledge of allegiance: The Pledge was led by President Reyna.

Agenda Item #1 Public Comment

No public comment.

Agenda Item #2.: Consent Calendar

a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes of February 20, 2024

A motion was made to approve Consent Calendar 2.a. by Director Gallardo and seconded by Director Ojeda.

AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Reyna. ABSENT: Pantoja ABSTAIN: Alvarez

b. Accounts Payable for February 5, 2024 – February 16, 2024

A motion was made to approve Consent Calendar 2.b. by Director Gallardo and seconded by Director Alvarez.

AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Alvarez, Reyna. ABSENT: Pantoja.

Agenda Item #3: Board to discuss and take possible action re: Financial Institution Change from Bank of America to Citizens Bank

General Manager presented numbers in comparison with Bank of America and Citizens Bank. After a small discussion, the board of directors decided on no action needed to be taken at this time.

Agenda Item #4: Board to discuss and take action re: Approval of Investment Policy Update

General Manager and Legal Counsel presented policy update for District investments for state specifications. AYES: Gallardo, Ojeda, Alvarez, Reyna. ABSENT: Pantoja.

Agenda Item #5: Update on Solar Project

General Manager informed the board of directors, that the City of Arvin does not need to send lease agreements to Kern County Oversight Committee. A cash call of \$697,004 has been made for project kickoff. Next cash call to purchase all materials will be \$1,132,631.50.

Agenda Item #6: Staff Comments

General Manger: General Manager informed board of directors about the collaboration between the District and Arvin Edison Water Storage District is progressing and District would receive water credit for the percentage of land bought for the spreading ponds being developed. **Legal Counsel:** No comments.



Agenda Item #8: Board Member Comments:

- **a. Director Gallardo:** Asked about the ERTC and where it is. General Manager informed Directors that the District had to submit additional payroll information due to changes from the IRS.
- b. Director Ojeda: No comment.
- c. Director Pantoja: No comment.
- d. Vice President Alvarez: No comment.
- e. President Reyna: No comment.

Agenda Item #9: Sexual Harassment Training for Board and Staff

Staff completed training.

Agenda item #10: Adjournment

A motion was made by Director Ojeda and seconded by Vice President Alvarez to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. AYES: Ojeda, Gallardo, Alvarez, Reyna. ABSENT: Pantoja.

Submitted by:

Attest:

Raul Barraza, Jr.

Raul Barraza, Jr. Board Secretary/General Manager

*Aure*lio Reyna

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