

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
ARVIN COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT
January 16, 2018**

The Board of Directors of the Arvin Community Services District duly met at a Regular Board Meeting held on January 16, 2018 at the hour of 6:00 p.m. at 309 Campus Drive, Arvin, CA 93203.

The meeting was called to order by President Urueta at 6:05 PM

Directors Present: Gallardo, Urueta, Moreno, Álvarez, Rodriguez

Others Present: General Manager/Secretary- Raul Barraza, Jr.; Legal Counsel- Alan Peake, District Engineer – Dee Jaspar, PE.

Pledge of allegiance: The Pledge was led by President Urueta

1. Public Comment

No public comment.

2. Consent Calendar

a. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for December 18, 2017

A motion was made by Director Moreno and seconded by Director Rodriguez to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of December 18, 2017.

b. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes for January 16, 2018

A motion was made by Director Moreno and seconded by Director Rodriguez to approve the minutes of the regular meeting of January 3, 2018.

3. Accounts Payable: Board to discuss and take action re: Approval of Accounts Payable for December 2017/January 2018.

A motion was made by Director Moreno and seconded by Director Rodriguez to approve the Accounts Payable for December 2017/January 2018.

AYES: Álvarez, Gallardo, Moreno, Rodriguez, Urueta.

NOES: None.

ABSTAIN: None.

ABSENT: None.

4. **Presentation: Christine Viterelli, City of Arvin’s Grant Writer, Requesting support for Clean Park Water Fountains Project.**

Christine Viterelli, Grant Writer for the City of Arvin, made a presentation for the board of directors informing them of a project to add 8 new filtered water fountains to three parks in Arvin. DiGiorgio Park-3, Kavacevich Park– 3, and Smotherman Park- 2. Christine is asking the board of directors for their support by sending a letter stating the District would be in support. Board members stated their support, but item will be brought up at the next board meeting, so the board can vote on a decision.

5. **Update on the District Operations and Maintenance**

General Manger asked President Urueta to move this item to the next meeting as all data was not finalized by staff.

6. **Update on KGA Budget**

Legal Counsel updated board on having asked KGA to lower cost for Disadvantaged Communities. The KGA budget was adopted but was done so knowingly understanding that the budget would be changed due to fine tuning charges allocated under administration. During the coordination meeting many members stated they would vote for option 8, which would be the proper allocation of funds to each task order.

7. **Staff Comments**

General Manger: RCAC stopped by earlier last week to present a plaque to Arvin CSD and recognizing them for their collaborative efforts to provide clean water during this interim solution. General Manager reported on an incident where a customer thought he had dirt in his water and called the news station. After an investigation from our System Supervisor, the customer was approached by a filter vendor. The vendor ran some “test” where they add color to water and try to persuade the customer into thinking the mineral particles showing in the water are dirt. After talking to Water Supervisor, customer was content with explanation.

Legal Counsel: EPA approved the District an extension to submit 100% drawings by January 31, 2018.

District Engineer: Discussed that Arsenic Mitigation Project, so far, is on schedule and the rest will be determined if the State can sign off on our plans in early April to keep true to our project schedule. Johnson Drilling is set up on test well site number 3.

8. **Board Member Comments:**

- a. Director Alvarez – Commented on 123TCP lawsuit for Bakersfield being settled. Legal Counsel noted once discovery period opens for the District’s case a number will be figured to pay for damages.

- b. Director Rodriguez– Presented the board with the newspaper showing the settlement for Bakersfield vs Dow Chemical and Shell Oil.
- c. Director Moreno – No comment.
- d. Vice President Gallardo – Would like the board to revisit the idea of doing a solar project.
- e. President Urueta – Would like to receive information regarding the properties from the city of Arvin. Legal Counsel stated escrow would be finalized in 30 days once contracts were received. President would also like update on debt city has with District and what is the remainder after purchase of properties. Finally, the President would also like information regarding possible litigation case.

9. Adjournment

Motion was made by Director Moreno and seconded by Director Alvarez to adjourn meeting at 7:10 p.m.

Submitted by:

Raul Barraza, Jr., Board Secretary/General Manager

Attest:

Jude A. Urueta, Board President