

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

MEETING MINUTES

November 29, 2018

VOTING MEMBERS PRESENT

Mayor Jim Lane, President, Scottsdale
Councilmember Eddie Cook, Vice President, Gilbert, via conference call
Mayor Cathy Carlat, Secretary-Treasurer, Peoria
Councilmember Pat Dennis, Avondale
Vice Mayor Lauren Kuby, Tempe, via conference call
Councilmember Sheri Lauritano, Goodyear
Vice Mayor René Lopez, Chandler
Councilmember Kevin Thompson, Mesa
Councilmember Bart Turner, Glendale
Mayor Thelda Williams, Phoenix

OTHERS PRESENT

Patrick J. Adams, AMWUA	Lacey James, Avondale
Thomas Adkins, Peoria	Sam Jaskolski, AMWUA
Anthony Alejandro, Peoria	Pat Kossan, AMWUA
Erin Andres, Phoenix	Ryan Lee, Glendale
Anthony Beckham, SRP	Ian Linssen, Mesa
Cindy Blackmore, Avondale	Brad Lundahl, Scottsdale
Jessica Blazina, Avondale	Jack Lundsford, Buckeye (The Lundsford Group)
Ned Blum, CLA	Andrea Odegard-Begay, Garver
Rob Bohr, Goodyear	Clark Princell, Phoenix
Eric Braun, Gilbert	John Raeder, Goodyear
Gregg Capps, Chandler	Tony Staffaroni, CAP
Ginna Carilo, Peoria	Drew Swieczkowski, Glendale
Alan Dulaney, Peoria	Warren Tenney, AMWUA
Gretchen Erwin, Goodyear	Heather Turrentine, Gilbert
Kathy Ferris, AMWUA	Theresa Ulmer, Ulmer Consulting
Brett Fleck, AMWUA	Carol Ward-Morris, AMWUA
David Iwanski, AZ Water Association	

A. Call to Order

Mayor Lane called the meeting to order at 10:04 a.m.

B. General Business – Items for Discussion and Possible Action

1. Approval of the Minutes from the October 25, 2018 Meeting

Upon a motion by Councilmember Turner and a second by Vice Mayor Lopez, the AMWUA Board of Directors unanimously approved the October 25, 2018 meeting minutes.

2. Next meeting scheduled: Thursday, December 20, 2018, 11:00 a.m., in the AMWUA office

3. Status of Lower Basin Drought Contingency Plan and DCP Steering Committee

Mr. Tenney shared an update on the Lower Basin Drought Contingency Plan (DCP) and DCP Steering Committee. He reviewed DCP progress thus far, the November 15th special Central Arizona Water Conservation District (CAWCD) Board meeting, and the new DCP framework. He said the new DCP framework builds upon the CAWCD proposal and addresses its shortcomings. He noted that the new DCP framework also received input from the Arizona Department of Water Resources, CAWCD, U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, Gila River Indian Community, and others. He then discussed the new DCP framework for Ag mitigation, Non-Indian Agriculture (NIA) mitigation, and Intentionally Created Surplus (ICS) Offset Plan.

Mr. Tenney stated that the new DCP framework meets AMWUA's priorities for DCP: it is a path forward for implementing DCP, respects and follows the priority system, has a clear timeframe, transitions Pinal Ag from Colorado River water to groundwater, protects Lake Mead, and does not weaken Arizona's long-term water management.

Mayor Lane, Vice Mayor Lopez, Mayor Carlat, and Mr. Tenney discussed system conservation, ICS, and different potential funding sources.

Councilmember Dennis and Mr. Tenney discussed Pinal Ag mitigation, NIA mitigation, and equity, and Central Arizona Project (CAP) rates.

In response to a question from Mayor Carlat, Mr. Tenney stated that the Governor's Office has been supportive of the new DCP framework.

Upon a motion by Mayor Carlat and a second by Councilmember Turner, the AMWUA Board of Directors unanimously approved AMWUA's position of being in support of the new DCP framework.

Mayor Lane, Vice Mayor Lopez, and Mr. Tenney commented on the importance of communications and public relations, especially in regard to conservation and rates.

Mr. Tenney stated that he plans to write a letter to the DCP Steering Committee chairs to address rumors and share accurate information about the AMWUA cities' CAP orders and their uses. The AMWUA Board of Directors expressed support for this idea.

Mayor Williams, Mr. Tenney, and Ms. Ferris discussed other states' efforts to implement DCP within their individual states.

Mr. Tenney reported that AMWUA has been working with its members' intergov staffs on DCP and in preparation for next year's legislative session.

4. Recovery Implementation Planning

Mr. Tenney stated that the Recovery Planning Advisory Group (RPAG) has been making incremental progress towards clarifying the *2014 Joint Recovery Plan*, including good discussions on policy issues. He reported that AMWUA had hoped to present a proposal at the RPAG meeting on Monday, November 26th; however, the meeting was postponed until January due to DCP meetings. Mr. Tenney will keep the AMWUA Board of Directors and Management Board apprised following the upcoming RPAG meeting.

5. AMWUA Quarterly Financial Statements

Mr. Tenney reported that AMWUA's financial statements for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2019 show that AMWUA's year-to-date actual is under budget by \$11,229.00, though the reasoning is primarily due to timing of when expenditures will occur. He stated that at its October 10th meeting, the AMWUA Management Board unanimously recommended that the AMWUA Board of Directors accept the first quarter financial statements as presented.

Upon a motion by Vice Mayor Lopez and a second by Mayor Williams, the AMWUA Board of Directors unanimously accepted the first quarter financial statements as presented.

4. Recommendation for 2019 AMWUA Board Officers

Vice Mayor Lopez spoke on behalf of the Nominating Committee (Vice Mayor Kuby, Councilmember Lauritano, and himself) to announce the Committee's recommendation for Mayor Jim Lane, Scottsdale, to serve as President; Councilmember Eddie Cook, Gilbert, to serve as Vice President; and Mayor Cathy Carlat, Peoria, to serve as Secretary-Treasurer, to the AMWUA Board of Directors for 2019.

Upon a motion by Councilmember Lauritano and a second by Councilmember Dennis, the AMWUA Board of Directors unanimously approved the Nominating Committee's

recommendation for Mayor Jim Lane, Scottsdale, to serve as President; Councilmember Eddie Cook, Gilbert, to serve as Vice President; and Mayor Cathy Carlat, Peoria, to serve as Secretary-Treasurer, to the AMWUA Board of Directors for 2019.

C. Executive Director's Report

Mr. Tenney reported that the AMWUA-facilitated Water Quality Standards for Non-Project Water Workgroup has been continuing progress. He said the Workgroup most recently met this week where they agreed to a proposal that will be brought to the CAP Water Quality Task Force. He stated that more work needs to be done, but good progress is occurring.

Mr. Tenney reported that AMWUA extended the time period for accepting applications for AMWUA's new Communications Specialist position to December 10th.

Mayor Williams asked if AMWUA will be hosting any events for new legislators this year to inform and educate them. Mr. Tenney said AMWUA has been working with Mr. Aarons and Ms. Ulmer to strategize the best time to host such an event, which will most likely be at the start of the legislative session.

D. Future Agenda Items

There were no requests for future agenda items.

E. Adjournment

Upon a motion by Mayor Carlat and a second by Vice Mayor Lopez, Mayor Lane unanimously adjourned the meeting at 11:05 a.m.