

MINUTES of the regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“SWKGSA”) held on May 8, 2019 at the office of the Agency, 286 W. Cromwell Avenue, Fresno, California.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Kimberly Brown, Dudley Ridge Water District
 Steven Jackson, White Area representative
 Bernard Puget, Dudley Ridge Water District
 Mark Grewal, Tulare Lake Reclamation District 761

DIRECTORS ABSENT: Vacant, Tulare Lake Reclamation District 761

OTHERS PRESENT: Dale Melville, Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group
 Joe Hopkins, Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group (by phone)
 Dan Flory, Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group
 Leroy Ellinghouse, DWR
 Riley Jones, Tulare Lake Compost
 Lawrence O’Leary, Mottech Water Solutions

Chair Brown called the Board meeting to order at 3:47 p.m. and initiated a round of self-introductions by the Board and attendees.

MINUTES

Upon a motion by Director Grewal and second by Director Puget, the minutes from the February 13, 2019 meeting of the Agency were approved as presented by the following vote:

Brown	Puget	Grewal	VACANT	Jackson
Aye	Aye	Aye	-	Aye

DIRECTOR POSITIONS

The Board was provided an update on vacant director position. Regarding the remaining RD 761 appointment, Mr. Grewal updated the Board that the representative would be selected by the next meeting.

FINANCIAL REPORTS

Mr. Melville presented the treasurer’s report, budget to-date, warrants to be ratified as paid, and the warrants to be paid. After a short discussion, Director Jackson motioned to accept the treasurer’s report, ratify the prior warrants as paid, and pay the current warrants. The motion was seconded by Director Puget and the Board voted to adopt the motion. Following the vote, Chair Brown announced that the directors voted as follows:

Brown	Puget	Grewal	VACANT	Jackson
Aye	Aye	Aye	-	Aye

2020 ASSESSMENT PUBLIC HEARING

Executive Director Melville informed the Board that for Kings County to collect the SWKGSA assessment, the Board will need to set the 2020 assessment rate in July 2019. Director Puget motioned to set the hearing date for July 10, 2019 (the next scheduled SWKGSA Board meeting). The motion was seconded by Director Jackson and the Board voted to adopt the motion. Following the vote, Chair Brown announced that the Directors voted as follows:

Brown	Puget	Grewal	VACANT	Jackson
Aye	Aye	Aye	-	Aye

SUBBASIN ISSUES

Mr. Hopkins presented an update to the Board on the status of the hydrogeologic model prepared by Wood (consultants to the GSAs in the Tulare Lake Subbasin). A change in storage graph was presented from the model illustrating a positive change in storage over the model period 1996 – 2016. Next, a map was shown illustrating the magnitude and location of the potential projects by the subbasin GSAs that would be used in the model forecast.

Next, Mr. Hopkins provided an update on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (“GSP”) development. Mr. Hopkins presented a draft monitoring network exhibit and asked that the Board review for potential wells that could be added to the monitoring network. A schedule was then provided to the Board showing when SWKGSA expected to receive GSP chapters from Wood. Mr. Hopkins reiterated that each chapter will be released to the Board after an initial review by SWKGSA staff. Next, Mr. Hopkins reported that the seed money is still being held by the subbasin group to apply to a potential budget overrun. Finally, the Board was updated that SWKGSA staff has requested to renegotiate the cost share agreement that currently existing in the Interim Operating Agreement with the remaining Tulare Lake Subbasin GSAs.

REPORT OF COUNSEL

No report was given.

DATE, TIME AND LOCATION OF NEXT BOARD MEETING

The Executive Director noted that the next Board meeting would be July 10, 2019 at 3:00 p.m., at the Agency office.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business to come before the Board, at 4:10 p.m. Chair Brown adjourned the meeting.

Steven D. Jackson, Secretary-Treasurer

APPROVED:

Kimberly M. Brown, Chair