

**SOUTHWEST KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY  
AGENCY  
REGULAR BOARD MEETING  
MINUTES  
October 2, 2020**

The Board of Directors of the Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency met in the second-floor conference room, 944 Whitley Avenue, Corcoran, California, on Friday, October 2, 2020 at the hour of 10:00 a.m.

Chair Steve Jackson presided and Executive Director Jackson kept the minutes.

**DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Steve Jackson  
Mark Grewal  
Kimberly Brown  
Bernard Puget \*joined the meeting after item #3  
Jim Wilson

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** None

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Pam Silkwood, General Counsel, Horan Lloyd  
Rusty Areias, California Strategies  
Sonja Theide, KRCD  
Riley Jones, Tulare Lake Compost  
Michael Cuttone, Cuttone & Mastro  
Ann Heil, LA County Sanitation District

Chair Jackson called the meeting to order at 10:02 a.m.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

None offered

**CONSENT CALENDAR**

- 1-3. Upon the motion of Director Grewal and the second of Director Wilson, the following items on the consent calendar were approved. (4-0-1)
1. Minutes of the Special Board Meeting held on July 28, 2020.
  2. Warrants and Finances (07/24/20 – 09/28/20)
  3. Treasurer's Report

## **ACTION CALENDAR**

4. **Consider for discussion and possible action to amend Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency's POLICY FOR THE INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, AND MONITORING OF WATER METERS FOR WELLS WITHIN THE SOUTHWEST KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY.**

Ms. Jackson suggested changes to align SWKGSA's adopted meter policy more closely to the meter policy that was adopted by Tri-County Water Authority. The two changes recommended were (1) reporting meter readings bi-annually and (2) providing calibration certification reports every four years beginning in 2022. On the motion of Director Grewal and the second of Director Brown, the amendments to the meter policy were approved. (5-0-0)

5. **Consider for discussion and possible action approval of the DRAFT BUDGET FOR 2021 TULARE LAKE SUBBASIN.**

Ms. Jackson presented the proposed 2021 Budget for the Tulare Lake Subbasin. This budget includes the preparation of the annual report, an update to the data management system, grant writing costs, and possible coordination with DWR. Director Brown suggested that the cost share agreement between GSAs in the TL Subbasin should be revisited and updated when appropriate. On the motion of Director Grewal and the second of Director Wilson, the 2021 Tulare Lake Subbasin Budget was approved. (5-0-0)

## **COMMUNICATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS**

6. **Director's Reports/Comments/Suggestions**

None

7. **Reports of General Interest**

- 1.) **Tulare Lake Subbasin Update – Deanna Jackson**

KRCD has been contracted by the GSAs in Tulare Lake Subbasin for subsidence data collection and is currently collecting the fall 2020 data. Geosyntec is collecting the fall 2020 groundwater levels for SWKGSA. The annual reporting will be changed from a calendar year to a water year. The drafting of a coordination agreement and changes to the cost share agreement have not moved forward.

- 2.) **Legal Counsel Report – Pam Silkwood**

- a. **Tolling agreement with Westlands Water District GSA**

The agreement has been extended to January 30, 2021. Mr. Hussain added that technical discussions between the parties and their consultants are ongoing and have been positive. The parties continue to work towards a boundary monitoring and conditions agreement.

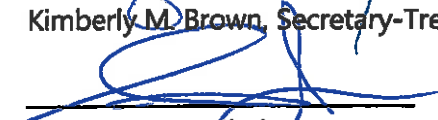
- 3.) Other Updates, as appropriate  
No other updates were given

**ADJOURNMENT**

8. There being no further business to come before the Board on the occasion of the October 2, 2020 meeting, Director Jackson adjourned the meeting until the next Regular Meeting to be held on December 4, 2020 at 10:00 a.m., at 944 Whitley Avenue, Corcoran or as otherwise directed by the Board.

Attest:

  
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Kimberly M. Brown, Secretary-Treasurer

  
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Steve Jackson, Chair