

SOUTHWEST KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

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AGENDA

REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

March 26, 2021

1:00 pm

944 Whitley Avenue, 2nd Floor Boardroom

Corcoran, CA 93212

Per Executive Order N-29-20, which allows local and state legislative bodies to hold meetings via teleconference and to make meetings accessible electronically, this Southwest Kings GSA Board of Directors meeting will be accessible via Zoom and dial in at:

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86798903853?pwd=NDJMRXV3amdrWFBPeW9zdzIYNHFrQT09>

Meeting ID: 867 9890 3853

Passcode: 250990

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The public may participate in the meeting as otherwise permitted under the Brown Act by calling into the telephone number above. Any member of the public may address the SWKGSA Board of Directors concerning any item on the agenda before or during its consideration of that matter, as appropriate.

CALL TO ORDER 1:00 pm

ROLL CALL Steve Jackson, Chair
Mark Grewal
Kimberly Brown
Bernard Puget
Jim Wilson

PUBLIC COMMENT

The Board of Directors welcomes participation in Board meetings. The public may address matters under the jurisdiction of the Board that have not been posted in the Agenda. However, California Law prohibits the Board from taking action on any matter that is not on the posted Agenda unless the Board determines that it is an emergency or one of the other situations specified in Government Code section 54954.2. The public will be given the opportunity to address the Board on any item on the Agenda at this time or before the Board's consideration of that item. If members of the public desire to address the Board relative to a particular Agenda item at the time it is to be considered, they should so notify the Chairman of the Board at this time. The Chairman may limit the total amount of time allocated for public testimony on particular issues for each individual speaker.

POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTERESTS

(Any Board member who has a potential conflict of interest may now identify the item and recuse himself from discussing and voting on the matter.) [FPPC § 87105.]

CONSENT CALENDAR

1. Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting held on February 5, 2021.
2. Warrants and Finances (01/29/2021 – 03/16/2021).
3. Treasurer's Report.

ACTION CALENDAR

4. Board to Consider, Review, and/or Action to **Appoint a Director Representative and an Alternate Representative from Southwest Kings GSA to the JPIA Board of Directors.**
5. Board to Consider, Review, and/or Action to **Schedule an alternate meeting day and time for Regular Board meetings.**

COMMUNICATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

6. Director's Reports/Comments/Suggestions
7. Reports of General Interest
 - a. Tulare Lake Subbasin Annual Report Update – Amer Hussain
 - b. California Strategies Update – David Armanasco and Rusty Areias
 - c. Legal Counsel Report – Pam Silkwood
 - d. Other updates, as appropriate

ADJOURNMENT

8. Adjourn to the next Regular Board Meeting, with a date to be determined, at 944 Whitley Avenue, Corcoran, or as otherwise directed by the Board.
- ❖ Items on the Agenda may be taken in any order.
 - ❖ Action may be taken on any item listed on the Agenda.
 - ❖ Writings relating to open session Agenda items that are distributed to members of the Board of Directors will be available for inspection at the Authority office, excluding writings that are not public records or are exempt from disclosure under the California Public Records Acts.

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SOUTHWEST KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY REGULAR BOARD MEETING MINUTES

February 5, 2021

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, February 5, 2021, at the hour of 9:00 a.m. Per Executive Order N-29-20, the meeting was conducted via Zoom.

Chair Jackson presided and Executive Director Jackson kept the minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: Steve Jackson
Mark Grewal
Kim Brown (arrived after Action Items via phone)
Jim Wilson
Bernard Puget

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Deanna Jackson, Executive Director
Staci Wilkins, Administrative Assistant
Amer Hussain, Geosyntec
David Armanasco, California Strategies
Rusty Areias, California Strategies
Riley Jones, Tulare Lake Compost
Carlo Wilcox
Cody Tolbert, Chevron
John Vidovich
Ashley Goldsmith

Chairman Jackson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

PUBLIC COMMENT

CONSENT CALENDAR

Upon the motion of Director Grewal and seconded by Director Wilson, the Consent Calendar was unanimously approved. (4-0)

1. Minutes of the December 4, 2020, Regular Board Meeting and December 29, 2020, Special Board Meeting
2. Warrants and Finances (12/1/2020 – 1/28/2021)

3. Treasurer's Report

ACTION CALENDAR

4. Consider action to approve the Contract for Services with Cuttone & Mastro to perform the audit for year-ending December 31, 2020.

Executive Director Jackson explained that Mike Cuttone has been contacted to perform the audit with a cost not to exceed \$4,100.

On the motion of Director Grewal and seconded by Director Puget, the Board voted unanimously to approve the Contract for Services. (4-0)

5. Consider action to approve Geosyntec Task Orders 1 – 4

Executive Director Jackson explained that Geosyntec is providing consulting services for engineering and hydrogeology. The Task Orders are a projected view of what work might be needed in 2021. Amer Hussain reviewed each of the Task Orders and answered all questions

There were public comments that suggested the GSA look into projects with ways of moving and storing water within the Subbasin across GSA lines with coordination agreements.

On the motion of Director Grewal and seconded by Director Wilson, the Board voted unanimously to approve Task Orders 1-4 (4-0)

6. Consider for discussion and ratification the Second Amendment to the Interim Principles of a GSA Coordination Agreement Between Southwest Kings and Westlands Water District Groundwater Sustainability Agencies.

Legal Counsel Silkwood explained that Westlands believes there has been some productive discussion during the time of the tolling agreement which has been in place since May 2020. The Tolling Agreement will be extended through January 30, 2022.

On the motion of Director Grewal and seconded by Director Puget, the Board voted to approve the extension of the Tolling Agreement. (4-0)

COMMUNICATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

7. **Director's Reports/Comments/Suggestion**

None

8. **Reports of General Interest**

- a) Tulare Lake Subbasin Update – Deanna Jackson / Amer Hussain

There has been a meeting to determine who will be the Point of Contact with the DWR, especially as the GSP's begin to come back to the GSA's. It should be a neutral party consultant to work

as a conduit with the DWR. The annual report is being created by Geosyntec which is due April 1 with all GSA's providing their data to complete the report. The first payment of Round 3 grant funding was received. The Subbasin received \$330,000 and Southwest Kings will be receiving a share totaling a little over \$60,000. The money will be placed back in the General Fund where it will then be used for coordination between the GSA's and Subbasin, in addition to working on items brought up during the review by the DWR. There will be a second reimbursement coming back to each of the GSA's.

Mr. Hussain added that once the annual report is completed, they will bring back maps and data to the Board to show how the GSA is doing in comparison to the GSP, water levels and measurable objectives.

- b) California Strategies – David Armanasco and Rusty Areias
David Armanasco and Rusty Areias reported they had met briefly with Taryn Ravazzini who recently retired from DWR. We should continue to work with staff in place at DWR until her replacement is named. They intend to meet with Karla Nemeth to discuss subsidence and groundwater pumping within the Tulare Lake Subbasin. They also continue to gather support for the Allensworth project.
- c) Legal Counsel Report – Pam Silkwood
Nothing to report
- d) Other updates, as appropriate
There are conflicts with the specified meeting time found in the Bylaws (Section 4.01) on Fridays at 10:00 am. It was recommended that at the next Board meeting there be a discussion on alternative days and times so that all Directors are able to attend the meetings.

ADJOURNMENT

12. There being no further business to come before the Board on the occasion of February 5, 2021, meeting, Chair Jackson adjourned the meeting at 9:51 a.m. until the next Regular Meeting with a date to be determined at 944 Whitley Avenue, Corcoran, or as otherwise directed by the Board.

Attest:

Kim Brown, Secretary-Treasurer

Steve Jackson, Chair

Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Check Detail

February 1 - March 16, 2021

DATE	TRANSACTION TYPE	NUM	NAME	MEMO/DESCRIPTION	CLR	AMOUNT
101 Checking						
02/16/2021	Check	SVCCHRG		Analysis Charge January Billing	R	-54.84
						54.84
Bill.com Money Out Clearing						
02/01/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		California Strategies and Advocacy, LLC	Inv #0121069-- bill.com Check Number: 50498605		-3,600.00
						-3,600.00
02/01/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		M. Green and Company, LLP	Inv #148016-- bill.com Check Number: 50490720		-455.00
						-455.00
02/01/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group	Inv #82871-- bill.com Check Number: 50499828		-116.38
						-116.38
02/01/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		Geosyntec Consultants, Inc.	Inv #32423796-- bill.com Check Number: 50489540		-364.62
						-364.62
02/01/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		Tri County Water Authority	Inv #421-- bill.com Check Number: 50527100		-7,000.00
						-7,000.00
02/16/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		California Strategies and Advocacy, LLC	Inv #1220096-- bill.com Check Number: 50870612		-3,600.00
						-3,600.00
02/16/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		M. Green and Company, LLP	Inv #147412-- bill.com Check Number: 50871865		-760.00
						-760.00
02/16/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		Tri County Water Authority	Inv #425-- bill.com Check Number: 50913471		-7,000.00
						-7,000.00
03/02/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group	Multiple invoices (details on stub)-- bill.com Check Number: 51300153		-108.40
						-108.40
03/02/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		Horan Lloyd	Inv #22785-- bill.com Check Number: 51308045		-110.00
						-110.00
03/02/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		ACWA/Joint Powers Insurance Authority	Inv #02/11/2021-- bill.com Check Number: 51285725		-865.00
						-865.00
03/16/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		California Strategies and Advocacy, LLC	Inv #0221087-- bill.com Check Number: 51658118		-3,600.00
						-3,600.00
03/16/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		Provost & Pritchard Consulting Group	Inv #83901-- bill.com Check Number: 51658051		-88.20
						-88.20
03/16/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		Tri County Water Authority	Inv #521-- bill.com Check Number: 51692509		-7,000.00
						-7,000.00
03/16/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		M. Green and Company, LLP	Inv #148515-- bill.com Check Number: 51660702		-400.00
						-400.00
03/16/2021	Bill Payment (Check)		Horan Lloyd	Inv #22969-- bill.com Check Number: 51670706		-357.50
						-357.50

Note

No assurance is provided on these financial statements.

Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Balance Sheet - Board Report

As of February 28, 2021

	TOTAL		
	AS OF FEB 28, 2021	AS OF FEB 29, 2020 (PY)	CHANGE
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Bank Accounts			
101 Checking	118,464.54	3,735.36	114,729.18
102 LAIF	300,447.34	395,877.42	-95,430.08
Total Bank Accounts	\$418,911.88	\$399,612.78	\$19,299.10
Accounts Receivable			
Accounts Receivable	84,879.03	67,847.04	17,031.99
Total Accounts Receivable	\$84,879.03	\$67,847.04	\$17,031.99
Total Current Assets	\$503,790.91	\$467,459.82	\$36,331.09
TOTAL ASSETS	\$503,790.91	\$467,459.82	\$36,331.09
LIABILITIES AND EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Accounts Payable			
Accounts Payable	5,083.40	0.00	5,083.40
Total Accounts Payable	\$5,083.40	\$0.00	\$5,083.40
Total Current Liabilities	\$5,083.40	\$0.00	\$5,083.40
Total Liabilities	\$5,083.40	\$0.00	\$5,083.40
Equity			
Retained Earnings	341,731.03	481,490.56	-139,759.53
Net Income	156,976.48	-14,030.74	171,007.22
Total Equity	\$498,707.51	\$467,459.82	\$31,247.69
TOTAL LIABILITIES AND EQUITY	\$503,790.91	\$467,459.82	\$36,331.09

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Accrual Basis

Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency

Budget vs. Actuals: FY_2021 - FY21 P&L

January - February, 2021

	TOTAL			
	ACTUAL	BUDGET	OVER BUDGET	% OF BUDGET
Income				
401 Benefit Assessment	180,372.76	182,362.00	-1,989.24	98.91 %
Total Income	\$180,372.76	\$182,362.00	\$ -1,989.24	98.91 %
GROSS PROFIT	\$180,372.76	\$182,362.00	\$ -1,989.24	98.91 %
Expenses				
502 Accounting	400.00	7,750.00	-7,350.00	5.16 %
503 Legal	110.00	18,000.00	-17,890.00	0.61 %
505 Insurance	865.00	3,000.00	-2,135.00	28.83 %
506 Website	145.78	2,000.00	-1,854.22	7.29 %
507 Audit		5,000.00	-5,000.00	
520 GSP				
520-1 Budget Overrun		25,000.00	-25,000.00	
520-2 Annual Report		15,000.00	-15,000.00	
520-3 Monitoring/DMS	364.62	20,000.00	-19,635.38	1.82 %
520-4 Grant Applications/Admin		15,000.00	-15,000.00	
Total 520 GSP	364.62	75,000.00	-74,635.38	0.49 %
530 Dues	506.48		506.48	
540 Contingency		36,000.00	-36,000.00	
580 Outside Services				
580.1 Consulting	7,200.00	43,200.00	-36,000.00	16.67 %
580.3 Management Fees	14,000.00	84,000.00	-70,000.00	16.67 %
Total 580 Outside Services	21,200.00	127,200.00	-106,000.00	16.67 %
590 Other	578.38		578.38	
Total Expenses	\$24,170.26	\$273,950.00	\$ -249,779.74	8.82 %
NET OPERATING INCOME	\$156,202.50	\$ -91,588.00	\$247,790.50	-170.55 %
Other Income				
490 Interest	773.98	4,000.00	-3,226.02	19.35 %
Total Other Income	\$773.98	\$4,000.00	\$ -3,226.02	19.35 %
NET OTHER INCOME	\$773.98	\$4,000.00	\$ -3,226.02	19.35 %
NET INCOME	\$156,976.48	\$ -87,588.00	\$244,564.48	-179.22 %

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