

**SOUTHWEST KINGS GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY
AGENCY
SPECIAL BOARD MEETING
MINUTES
July 21, 2022**

The Board of Directors of the Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency met in the second-floor conference room, 944 Whitley Avenue, Corcoran, California, on Thursday, July 21, 2022, at the hour of 1:00 p.m. The meeting was available via Zoom for interested parties.

Chair Vidovich presided and Staci Wilkins kept the minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: John Vidovich
Kim Brown
Jim Wilson
Michael Nordstrom

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

OTHERS PRESENT: Deanna Jackson, Executive Director
Staci Wilkins, Executive Assistant
Jason Howard, McCormick Barstow
Carlo Wilcox
Amer Hussain, Geosyntec
Dusty Ference, KCFB
Zac Just, Westlands WD
Cody Tolbert, Chevron
Doug Jackson
Rusty Areias, California Strategies
Amanda Peisch-Derby, DWR
Dane Mathis, DWR-SCRO
Grand Jury Representative (no name provided)

Chair Vidovich called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Mr. Howard administered the Oath of Office and welcomed Carlo Wilcox to the Board of Directors.

PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment

CONSENT CALENDAR (Agenda items 1 – 4)

Upon the motion of Director Nordstrom and seconded by Director Brown, the Consent Calendar consisting of Minutes of the Special Board meeting on June 13, 2022, Warrants and Finances dated

between 06/06/2022 and 07/14/2022, the Treasurer's Report, and the continued use of Zoom was approved as presented by the following roll call vote:

Brown	Nordstrom	Vidovich	Wilcox	Wilson
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

ACTION CALENDAR

- Review and consider adoption of 2023 Budget and assessment rate for Southwest Kings GSA.

On the motion of Director Brown and seconded by Director Wilson, the budget was approved and the assessment rate for 2023 was set at \$2.50/acre. The Directors voted as follows:

Brown	Nordstrom	Vidovich	Wilcox	Wilson
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

- Consider for adoption Resolution 22-02 A Resolution of the Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency approving the levying of the 2023 assessments.

Executive Director Jackson explained that the Resolution is required by Kings County to state the assessment rate of \$2.50/acre and to give authority to the County Tax Collector to collect on behalf of SWKGSA.

A motion was made by Director Nordstrom and seconded by Director Brown to adopt Resolution 22-02. The Directors voted as follows:

Brown	Nordstrom	Vidovich	Wilcox	Wilson
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

- Consider for adoption Resolution 22-03 A Resolution stating the powers of a Joint Powers Authority to fix and collect charges on the 2022-23 Years Kings County Tax Roll.

On the motion of Director Nordstrom and seconded by Director Wilcox, the Board voted to adopt Resolution 22-03 by the following vote:

Brown	Nordstrom	Vidovich	Wilcox	Wilson
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

- Consider for adoption Resolution 22-04 A Resolution authorizing the adoption of the amended Tulare Lake Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Plan by the Southwest Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency.

Following discussion, there was a motion by Director Nordstrom and seconded by Director Wilson, to adopt the plan as written with the inclusion of additional language on the Resolution that was presented during the meeting. The Board voted to adopt Resolution 22-04 by the following vote:

Brown	Nordstrom	Vidovich	Wilcox	Wilson
Nay	Aye	Aye	Nay	Aye

COMMUNICATIONS/DISCUSSION ITEMS

9. Director’s Reports/Comments/Suggestion

None

10. Reports of General Interest

a) California Strategies – Rusty Areias

The Budget passed and the legislators are currently on break. They will pick up with work on various bills once they return to session.

b) Legal Counsel Update – Jason Howard

No update

c) Other updates, as appropriate

i. Cancellation of Regular Board meeting on August 5, 2022

Due to the next meeting date being a week and a half away, it was decided to cancel the next regularly scheduled meeting on August 5. The next Regular Board meeting will be on October 7, 2022.

CLOSED SESSION

It was determined that a Closed Session was not necessary.

ADJOURNMENT

11. There being no further business to come before the Board on the occasion of July 21, 2022, meeting, Chair Vidovich asked for a motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:41 pm until the next meeting on October 7, 2022, at 944 Whitley Avenue, Corcoran, or as otherwise directed by the Board. Director Nordstrom motioned to adjourn with a second by Director Brown. The Directors voted as follows:

Brown	Nordstrom	Vidovich	Wilcox	Wilson
Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye	Aye

Attest:


Carlo Wilcox, Director


Staci Wilkins, Administrative Assistant