

Board of Directors Meeting October 15, 2020 Via Zoom

MINUTES

Directors Present

Director Kelly Long, Chair Director Ed McFadden, Vice Chair Director Tim Holmgren Director Gordon Kimball Director Candice Meneghin Director Glen Pace

Staff Present

Anthony Emmert, executive director Scott Nave, legal counsel Eva Ibarra, clerk of the board

Public Present

Lisa Ballin, CSUS/DBS&A
Bryan Bondy, Fillmore and Piru Pumpers Associations
Frank Brommenschenkel
Dan Detmer, UWCD
Debbie Jackson
Steven Zimmer
Burt Handy
Dr. Zachary Hanson, UWCD
Tony Morgan, DBS&A
Patrick O'Connell, DBS&A
Ambry Tibay, UWCD
Dr. Jason Sun, UWCD

1. Call to Order – First Open Session 5:00p.m.

Vice Chair McFadden called the meeting to order at 5p.m.

1A. Pledge of Allegiance

Vice Chair McFadden asked everyone to join him in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance

1B. Directors Roll Call

Chair Long asked the Clerk to call roll. 6 directors were present (Holmgren, Kimball, Chair Long, Vice Chair McFadden, Meneghin, Pace.)

1C. Public Comments

Chair Long asked if there were any public comments, none were offered.

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Approval of Agenda 1D.

Executive Director Tony Emmert stated staff would like to pull agenda item 3D and bring it back for next Board meeting in November.

Motion

Motion to approve the agenda with the removal of item 3D, Vice Chair McFadden; Second, Director Meneghin. Voice vote: 6 ayes (Holmgren, Kimball, Chair Long, Vice Chair McFadden, Meneghin, Pace); none opposed; Motion carries 6/0, Chair Long was reminded by Scott Nave, we must do roll call votes for virtual meetings.

2. Director Announcements/Board Communications

2A Fillmore Pumpers Association Stakeholder Director Update **Information Item**

Director Kimball stated the Fillmore Pumpers Association meet Tuesday, October 13th and had a great discussion about water use. Stakeholders have requested Stakeholder meetings be via Zoom and not webinar for better ease of communication. A letter has been created to be sent to the GSA by both Fillmore and Piru associations regarding SMC and will be presented at the next Board meeting.

Piru Pumpers Association Stakeholder Director Update **Information Item**

Director Pace stated pretty much the same as Fillmore Pumpers. Pumpers working on getting their estimates for their future water uses for both basins.

City of Fillmore Member Director Update

Information Item

Director Holmgren had no updates and stated he felt the October 1st, Workshop was very informational and a success.

Environmental Stakeholder Director Update

Information Item

Director Meneghin reported they will be having their Fillmore Water Talk next Wednesday from 6-8 via Zoom and she be circulating flyer to all.

United Water Conservation District Member Director Update **Information Item**

Vice Chair McFadden reported United continues with Water Release from the Santa Felicia Dam and farmers are happy to see such great water levels.

County of Ventura Member Director Update

Information Item

Chair Long stated we are in the COVID-19 red tier and hoping in 4 weeks we can make our way to orange in hopes that students can go back to school, if their district approves it.

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2B Executive Director Update

Information Item

Executive Director Anthony Emmert reported United staff recently completed the Agency's groundwater billings for the period ending June thirtieth and is working with legal counsel to explore ways to collect outstanding delinquent charges from prior periods. Mr. Emmert discussed the grant status for United and mentioned validation for Groundwater model is ongoing and all documentation is due to be completed at the end of December. Mr. Emmert stated he continues to coordinate with Santa Clarita Valley Water Agency to share information helpful to both parties.

2C. Legal Counsel Update

Information Item

Legal Counsel Scott Nave (covering for Steve O'Neill) had no updates.

2D. GSP Consultant Update

Information Item

Tony Morgan, representing DBS&A presented (see slide) regarding the GSP development timeline.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

3A Approval of Minutes

The Board will consider approving the Minutes from the Board Meeting of September 17, 2020.

3B Approval of Warrants

The Board will consider approving the following invoices for payment: Daniel B. Stephens & Associates, Inc. \$49,359.92

3C Monthly Financial Report

The Board will receive a monthly profit and loss statement and balance sheet for the FPBGSA from UWCD's accounting staff.

3D Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget Report

The Board will receive the Agency's Fiscal Year 2019-2020 financial reports.

Motion to approve the Consent Calendar with the removal of item 3D, Vice Chair McFadden; Second, Director Pace. Voice vote 6 ayes, (Holmgren, Kimball, Chair Long, Vice Chair McFadden, Meneghin, Pace). None opposed. Motion carries unanimously 6/0.

4. MOTION ITEMS

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4A Sustainable Management Criteria

Motion

The Board will receive a report from representatives from Daniel B. Stephens & Associates and ad hoc committee members regarding the development of the Agency's Draft Sustainable Groundwater Management Criteria and provide direction regarding upcoming actions, including setting a date for a special board meeting to focus exclusively on completing the Draft Sustainable Management Criteria.

The Board received a report from Tony Morgan of Daniel B. Stephens & Associates

Mrs. Lisa Ballin shared poll results from the October first, Stakeholder Workshop.

Various Board members expressed their concern over the small number of attendees for the October first Workshop, asking Mrs. Ballin what her thoughts were regarding the low turnout. Mrs. Ballin made suggestions on ways to possibly bring in more interest for future Workshops.

Mr. Tony Morgan committed to providing a Strawman Sustainable Management Criteria Matrix for consideration by the Board and stakeholders for the upcoming Special Board Meeting.

Board and staff discussed content, dates and times for a Special Board and settled on November fourth for Special Board Meeting.

Motion to approve Special Board Meeting for November fourth, Director Meneghin; Second, Vice Chair McFadden. Voice vote 6 ayes, (Holmgren, Kimball, Chair Long, Vice Chair McFadden, Meneghin, Pace). None opposed. Motion carries 6/0.

4B Groundwater Sustainability Plan Stakeholder Workshop3 Groundwater Model and Water Budget

Motion

The Board will consider setting a date for Stakeholder Workshop 3, provide comments on the draft agenda and authorize staff to mail invitations to pumpers.

Brian Bondy expressed his opinion on the upcoming Stakeholder Workshop.

Board and staff discussed dates and times and agreed on December ninth for the next Stakeholder Workshop.

Motion to approve Stakeholder Workshop for December ninth and approve cost for mailings to pumpers, Director Meneghin; Second, Vice Chair McFadden. Voice vote 6 ayes, (Holmgren, Kimball, Chair Long, Vice Chair McFadden, Meneghin, Pace). None opposed. Motion carries 6/0.

4C Amendment to Agreement with Daniel B. Stephens & Associates Inc. for Assistance with Monitoring Wells Project. Motion

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The Board will consider approving an Amendment to the Agreement with Daniel B. Stephens & Associates Inc. for assistance with the siting, design, construction and reporting for the Monitoring Wells Project.

Executive Director Tony Emmert explained the need for the agreement amendment.

Motion to approve Amendment to agreement for DBS&A and approve the budget, Vice Chair McFadden; Second, Director Pace. Voice vote 5 ayes, (Holmgren, Kimball, Chair Long, Vice Chair McFadden, Meneghin, Pace). None opposed. One abstaining (Kimball). Motion carries 5/0/1.

FUTURE TOPICS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

Billing information, pumpers letter and United to share their water projects for next year.

ADJOURNMENT 7:01 p.m.

The Board will adjourn to the next Regular Board Meeting on Thursday, November 19, 2020 or call of the Chair.

ATTEST:

Kelly Long, Chair, FPB GSA Board of Directors

I certify that the above is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Fillmore and Piru Basins Groundwater Sustainability Agency's Board of Directors meeting of October 15, 2020.

ATTEST:

Eva Ibarra, Clerk of the Board