



Board of Directors Meeting
Thursday, January 19, 2023
4:00 p.m.
MINUTES

Directors in Attendance

Chair Kelly Long
Director Carole Fornoff
Director Debbie Jackson
Director Gordon Kimball
Director Albert Mendez
Director Candice Meneghin

Staff in Attendance

Anthony Emmert, executive director
Eva Ibarra, clerk of the Board

Public in Attendance

Dan Detmer, UWCD
Zachary Hanson, UWCD
Rachel Laenen, Kimball Ranch
Tony Morgan, DBS&A

1. Call to Order 4:00pm

Director Long called the Board Meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

1A Pledge of Allegiance

Director Fornoff led everyone in reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

1B Directors Roll Call

The clerk called roll. Six Directors were present (Fornoff, Jackson, Kimball, Long, Mendez, Meneghin). Director Long introduced new Director for City of Fillmore, Mr. Albert Mendez.

1C Public Comments

Director Long asked if there were any public comments. None were offered.

1D Approval of Agenda

Motion

Motion to approve agenda, Director Mendez; Second, Director Kimball. Roll call vote: six ayes (Fornoff, Jackson, Kimball, Long, Mendez, Meneghin); none opposed; motion carries unanimously 6/0.

UPDATES

2A Director Announcements/Board Communications: Oral Reports from the Board

Fillmore Pumpers Association Stakeholder Director Update

Director Jackson had no updates.

Piru Pumpers Association Stakeholder Director Update

Director Fornoff had no updates.

Environmental Stakeholder Director Update

Director Meneghin reported she has now filed her Form 700, and mentioned the Friends of the Santa Clara River Hedrick property was heavily affected by the rainstorms. She also mentioned that Friends of the Santa Clara River has an ongoing nature trails outreach with Fillmore area schools in coordination with Ventura County Resource Conservation District. She stated that on January 25, Shaun Kelly from Santa Clara River Conservancy is going to be doing a tour at Sespe Cienega restoration site for elected and agency representatives, as part of the water talks program, and said she can share that information for those interested. Director Meneghin said they had their Stewardship Committee Meeting on Monday, and mentioned an event for the Piru area titled Piru Muddy Waters that will take place on Saturday 21, from 11 to 4pm, for community enhancement and repairing of flood damage. She said she had a conversation with Sandy Hendrick regarding Lost Creek and said she will install some HOBOS (temperature monitors). She also mentioned storm flows have negatively affected some critical habitat.

City of Fillmore Member Director Update

Director Mendez reported the City of Fillmore met last week and City Council has agreed to look into upgrading their IT infrastructure, per Director Villaseñor's request.

United Water Conservation District Member Director Update

Director Kimball asked Mr. Dan Detmer, Water Resources Manager for United Water to share the numbers for water collected from the recent storms. Mr. Detmer provided an update on all water flow numbers, and also mentioned how the storm will help with the control of quagga mussels in Lake Piru. He completed his update with a description of the significant damage caused by the recent storms.

County of Ventura Member Director Update

Director Long reported the County has filed a disaster declaration to facilitate disaster funding from the State and Federal governments. She also mentioned Piru Neighborhood Council Meeting took place last night and thanked various organizations for their assistance with the disaster, as the County received 1300 calls for service and had 80 rescues during the storms.

2B Executive Director Update
Information Item

The Executive Director provided an informational update on Agency activities since the previous Board meeting on December 9, 2022. Mr. Emmert reported they successfully submitted both SGM Implementation grants applications for the Fillmore and Piru Basins and are working to wrap up all paperwork from the last GSP grant. He said staff is preparing progress report and invoice 15. He also mentioned that the semi-annual groundwater billing for the period of July through December 31, 2022, will be distributed to pumpers within the next few weeks. He also said the Agency has a couple of Executive Order N-7-22 well permit reviews upcoming. He stated Legal Counsel will be providing a verbal update on Executive Order N-7-22 and CEQA. Mr. Emmert said there will be a Hydrological report available in February or March 2023, and mentioned future meetings will take place at City of Fillmore, City Hall, as of March 2023, going forward. He finished his update saying he is working with the City of Fillmore to budget and implement Council Chambers improvements to facilitate future hybrid meetings for the Agency.

2C Legal Counsel Update
Information Item

Legal Counsel was absent.

2D GSP Consultant Update
Information Item

Representative from Daniel B Stephens & Associates provided an informational update on Agency's Groundwater Sustainability Planning and reporting activities since the Board meeting of December 19, 2022.

Mr. Tony Morgan reported grant applications were completed and submitted, that totaled 3.9 million dollars. He also mentioned the annual reports drafts should be ready by the February 16, Board meeting, and reminded all he will need comments by the March 16, Board meeting, in order to meet the April 1, deadline, and said a draft subsidence update will also be provided.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

All matters listed under the Consent Calendar are considered routine by the Board and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member pulls an item from the Calendar. Pulled items will be discussed and acted on separately by the Board. Members of the public who want to comment on a Consent Calendar item should do so under Public Comments. (ROLL CALL VOTE REQUIRED)

3A Approval of Minutes

The Board approved the Minutes from the Board Meeting of December 9, 2022.

3B Approval of Warrants

The Board approved payment of outstanding vendor invoice

UWCD	\$65,957.84
DBS&A	\$34,663.20
Aleshire & Wynder LLP	\$ 2,999.50
Insure Cal	\$ 2,437.42

3C Monthly Financial Report

The Board received the Agency's monthly profit and loss statement and balance sheet.

3D Subsequent Finding Regarding Continuation of AB 361 Exemptions to Brown Act Teleconferencing Requirements

The Board will consider adopting Resolution 2023-01 continuing findings that the requisite conditions exist for remote teleconference meetings of the Agency's legislative bodies without compliance with Government Code section 54953(b)(3), as authorized by Government Code section 54953(e).

Motion to approve consent items, Director Jackson; Second, Director Fomoff. Roll call vote: six ayes (Fornoff, Jackson, Kimball, Long, Mendez, Meneghin); none opposed; motion carries unanimously 6/0.

FUTURE TOPICS FOR BOARD DISCUSSION

None

ADJOURNMENT 4:29 p.m.

Director Long adjourned the Board meeting at 4:29 p.m. to the next **Board Meeting** on Thursday, **February 16, 2023**, or call of the Chair.

ATTEST: _____


Chair Long 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 January 19, 2023.

ATTEST: _____


Eva Ibarra, Clerk of the Board