

JAMES GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES April 21, 2022

ATTENDANCE

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

- RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1606
Wm. Cory Carvalho, President
- JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Micah Combs, Vice-President
Robert Motte
Salvador Parra, Jr.
Manny Amorelli, Executive Director

INTERESTED PARTIES PRESENT:

- FRESNO COUNTY
Roy Jimenez, Public Works (Zoom)

PUBLIC/CONSULTANTS PRESENT:

- JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Walter Flores, Office Manager
Donna Hanneman, Executive Assistant

DIRECTORS EXCUSED:

None

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

None

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the JAMES GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY ("James GSA") was held Thursday, April 21, 2022, in the Agency office located at 8749 Ninth Street, San Joaquin, California. The meeting was called to order at 9:03 a.m., by President, Wm. Cory Carvalho. A quorum was at all times present and acting.

II. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS UNDER AB361

As all Board members were present, there was no need to approve this Resolution. In the future, should Board members attend remotely, a Resolution will be presented for adoption. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.

III. OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS

None were presented.

B. ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA

There were no corrections/additions to the Agenda.

C. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (FPPC §87105)

Directors were given an opportunity to identify a potential conflict-of-interest with items appearing on the Agenda; none were reported.

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IV. MINUTES

A. REGULAR MEETING: FEBRUARY 17, 2022

M/S/C (M.COMBS / S.PARRA), to APPROVE as written by the following vote:

AYES: 5 (M.Combs, S.Parra, R.Motte, M.Amorelli, W.Carvalho)

V. FINANCIAL REPORTS

In accordance with Water Code §24273, reports were presented by Mr. Amorelli as follows:

A. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

No report.

B. INTERIM WARRANTS: FEBRUARY 18-APRIL 21, 2022 (Att.1)

M/S/C (M.COMBS/S.PARRA), to RATIFY/APPROVE Interim Warrants (bills paid) totaling \$16,312.96 by the following vote:

AYES: 5 (M.Combs, S.Parra, R.Motte, M.Amorelli, W.Carvalho)

C. CASH POSITION REPORT: MARCH 31, 2022

D. INCOME STATEMENT (BUDGET-TO-ACTUAL) PERIOD ENDING: MARCH 31, 2022

E. QUARTERLY REPORT OF FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS-PERIOD ENDING: MARCH 31, 2022

VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Amorelli presented his verbal report as follows:

- ▶ Kings Basin Coordinating Committee - Meeting weekly with representatives from the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) seeking their guidance in resolving deficiencies in the Basin's Groundwater Sustainability Plan. The DWR has requested clarification of water level data. Today's meeting will focus upon subsidence issues and interconnected waterways. Member GSAs are working together without conflict to satisfy DWR guidelines.

- ▶ Governor's Executive Drought Order / Well Permits
On March 28, 2022, California's Governor issued an Executive Order mandating GSAs approve agricultural wells. Residential/municipal wells that produce less than 2 acre-feet per year are excluded. Counties are currently working with GSAs to establish policies & procedures.

VII. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

None were presented.

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VIII. REPORT ITEMS

None.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

None

Adjourned to Closed Session at 9:11 a.m.

Attending:

Wm. Cory Carvalho, President

Manny Amorelli, Executive Director

Micah Combs, Vice-President

Robert Motte, Director

Salvador Parra, Jr., Director

X. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

2 CASES

Reconvened in Open Session at 9:42 a.m.

XI. REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

Executive Secretary, Manny Amorelli, stated no reportable actions were taken during the Closed Session.

XII. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, M/S/C (S.PARRA / M.COMBS), to ADJOURN the meeting at 9:44 a.m., until the next Regular Meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 21, 2022, by the following vote:

AYES: 5 (S.Parra, M.Combs, R.Motte, M.Amorelli, W.Carvalho)

RECORDED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Donna Y. Hanneman, Executive Assistant
JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Wm. Cory Carvalho, President
JAMES GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

ATTACHMENTS:

1. Accounts Payable / Interim Warrants: February 18-April 21, 2022, \$16,312.96

Manny Amorelli, Executive Director
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