

JAMES GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES April 20, 2023

ATTENDANCE

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

- JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Wm. Cory Carvalho, President
Salvador Parra, Jr., Vice-President
- RECLAMATION DISTRICT NO. 1606
Andrew Groppetti

DIRECTORS EXCUSED:

- JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Robert Motte

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

None

STAFF PRESENT

Manny Amorelli, Executive Director

INTERESTED PARTIES PRESENT:

None

PUBLIC/CONSULTANTS PRESENT:

- JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Walter Flores-Barboza, Office Manager
Donna Hanneman, Secretary
- YOUNG WOOLDRIDGE, LLP
Alan F. Doud, Esq. (Zoom)

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the JAMES GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY ("James GSA") was held Thursday, April 20, 2023, in the Agency office located at 8749 Ninth Street, San Joaquin, California. The meeting was called to order at 9:04 a.m., by President, Wm. Cory Carvalho. A quorum was at all times present and acting.

II. OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS
None.

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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D. REORGANIZATION: ELECTION OF OFFICERS

M/S/C (A.GROPPETTI / S.PARRA), to RE-ELECT the following slate of officers (no changes):

1. President Wm. Cory Carvalho
2. Vice-President Salvador Parra, Jr.

AYES: 4 (A.Groppetti, S.Parra, M.Amorelli, W.Carvalho)

EXCUSED: 1 (R.Motte)

E. AGENCY APPOINTMENTS

M/S/C (S.PARRA / A.GROPPETTI), to RE-APPOINT the following (no changes):

1. James Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Executive Director: Manny Amorelli
2. Kings River GSA Coordination Group
Primary Representative: Manny Amorelli

AYES: 4 (S.Parra, A.Groppetti, M.Amorelli, W.Carvalho)

EXCUSED: 1 (R.Motte)

III. MINUTES

A. REGULAR MEETING: JANUARY 19, 2023

M/S/C (S.PARRA / M.AMORELLI), to APPROVE as drafted:

AYES: 4 (S.Parra, M.Amorelli, A.Groppetti, W.Carvalho)

EXCUSED: 1 (R.Motte)

IV. FINANCIAL REPORTS

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

A. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE

None reported.

B. INTERIM WARRANTS: JANUARY 20-APRIL 20, 2023 (Att.1)

M/S/C (A.GROPPETTI / S.PARRA), to RATIFY/APPROVE Interim Warrants (bills paid) totaling \$18,473.62.

AYES: 4 (A.Groppetti, S.Parra, M.Amorelli, W.Carvalho)

EXCUSED: 1 (R.Motte)

C. CASH POSITION REPORT: MARCH 31, 2023

D. INCOME STATEMENT (BUDGET-TO-ACTUAL) PERIOD ENDING: MARCH 31, 2023

E. QUARTERLY REPORT OF FINANCIAL INVESTMENTS-PERIOD ENDING: MARCH 31, 2023 (Gov. Code §53646)

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V. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Amorelli presented his verbal report as follows:

KINGS GROUNDWATER SUBBASIN

▶ Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)

- Last month, the Kings GSA GSP was recommended for approval by the California Department of Water Resources (DWR). It is felt the collaborative efforts of seven member GSAs may have contributed to the positive recommendation.
- The Coordination Committee will be meeting tomorrow to begin moving forward on implementation of the GSP.

MONITOR WELLS are being drilled, one above, the other below the Corcoran Clay Layer to monitor water level and migration.

VI. DIRECTORS' REPORTS

Directors were given an opportunity to report on meetings and/or conferences attended on behalf of the Agency; none were reported.

VII. REPORT ITEMS

A. SEXUAL HARASSMENT TRAINING (04/20/2023)

Directors were advised that most certificates expire this year. Staff will coordinate scheduling for biennial training as mandated under SB1343.

VIII. ACTION ITEMS

A. CORPORATE AUTHORIZATION RESOLUTION (04/20/2023)

M/S/C (S.PARRA/A.GROPPETTI) to ADOPT RESOLUTION 2023-01 CORPORATE AUTHORIZATION updating signatories to bank/financial institutions. (Att.2)

AYES: 4 (S.Parra, A.Groppetti, M.Amorelli, W.Carvalho)

EXCUSED: 1 (R.Motte)

ALTHOUGH THE FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS WERE LISTED ON THE AGENDA, MR. AMORELLI INDICATED THERE WAS NOT AN IMMEDIATE NEED TO DISCUSS THEM AT THIS TIME.

IX. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §5495639 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

A. SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OR (3) OF SUBDIVISION (D):

2 CASES

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X. REPORT ON ACTIONS TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION

Closed Session was not held.

XI. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, M/S/C (A.GROPPETTI/S.PARRA), to ADJOURN the meeting at 9:19 a.m., until the next Regular Meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 20, 2023.

AYES: 4 (A.Groppetti, S.Parra, M.Amorelli, W.Carvalho)

EXCUSED: 1 (R.Motte)

RECORDED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Donna Y. Hanneman , Secretary
JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Wm. Cory Carvalho, President
JAMES GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

Manny Amorelli, Executive Director
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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Interim Warrants: January 20-April 20, 2023, \$18,473.62
2. Resolution 2023-01 Corporate Authorization, Adopted April 20, 2023