JPA Special Board Meeting Minutes
Kern Groundwater Authority
Monday, May 15, 2017

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES PRESENT

Kevin Pascoe, Arvin-Edison WSD
Dave Fenn, Cawelo, Cawelo WD
Michael James, City of Shafter
Supervisor Couch, County of Kern
Marty Milobar, KCWA
Bill Taube, Kern Water Bank Authority
Kevin Andrew, North Kern Water Storage District
Jeff Siemens, Olcese WD
Jason Selvidge & Gary Unruh, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Rick Wegis, Semitropic WSD
Mark Franz, Shafter-Wasco ID
Jim Regan, SSJMUD
Gary Morris, West Kern WD
Joe MacIlvaine, Westside District Water Authority
Dennis Mullins & Michael Blaine, Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES ABSENT

Raul Barraza, Jr, Arvin Community Services District
Andrew Pandol, Kern-Tulare WD
Dennis Atkinson, Tejon-Castaic WD

OTHERS PRESENT

Steve Collup, Arvin-Edison WSD
Anona Dutton, Arvin-Edison WSD
Dave Hampton, Cawelo WD
Dave Ansolabehere, Cawelo WD
Jon Parker, Kern Water Bank Authority
Eric Averett, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Lori Honea, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Dana Munn, Shafter-Wasco ID
Harry Starkey, West Kern WD
Greg Hammett, Westside District Water Authority
Valerie Kincaid, O'Laughlin, Paris, LLP
Doug Gosling, BHG Law Firm
Maurice Etchechury, Buena Vista WSD
Art Chianello, City of Bakersfield Water Resources Dept
Dee Jaspar, Dee Jaspar & Associates
Larry Rodriguez, GEI Consultants
Ron Eid, GEI Consultants
Florn Core, Kern County

Alan Christensen, Kern County
Phil Hall, Kern County
Holly Melton, KCWA
Dave Beard, ID4
Gene Lundquist, ID4
Mark Mulkay, Kern Delta WD
Rich Tillema, Kern Delta WD
Skye Grass, Kern-Tulare WD
Joe Hughes, Klein Law
Robert Kuhs, Kuhs Parker Law
Robert Hartsock, McMurtrey, Hartsock & Worth
Dan Raytis, McMurtrey, Hartsock & Worth
Alex Shafer, Materra Farming
Alan Boyce, Materra Farming
Pres Brittan, Pacific Resources
Bret Sill, Sill Properties
Tim Gobler, Wonderful Orchards
Ernest Conant, Young Wooldridge
Scott Kuney, Young Wooldridge
Devon Yurosek, Yurosek Farming
Don Wright
Jim Beck, Heritage Group
Jon Reiter

1. **Call to Order** – Director MacIlvaine called the meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. after it was confirmed there was a quorum. We meet the threshold under the JPA and will be operating under it.

2. **Public Comments** – None

3. **Manager's Report**
    a. **RFQ for Manager Position** – Mr. Averett reported that a series of interviews have been conducted and a recommendation will be given in closed session.

4. **Resolution No. 3 – Ag Water Use Efficiency Grant**– Mr. Averett reviewed Resolution No 3 – Kern Groundwater Authority Accepting California Department of Water Resources Proposition 1 Water Use Efficiency Grant Funds – with the Authority Board. A motion was made by Director Fenn and seconded by Director Andrew to adopt Resolution No. 3. The motion was unanimously carried.
   Mr. Averett also reviewed the Organizational Letterhead and Exhibit A (Scope of Work) with the Authority Board.

5. **Formation of a Groundwater Sustainability Agency**
    a. **Withdrawal of Kern Water Bank Authority** – Mr. Averett reported that per the State Water Board ruling a JPA can't have a Mutual Water Company within their

GSA. Only Public Agencies can be a part of a JPA. Having a Mutual be in your JPA can cause an unsuccessful election as well as trigger individual well requirements if we do nothing and keep them in. A motion was made by Director Couch and seconded by Director Mullins to accept the withdrawal of the Kern Water Bank Authority from the KGA JPA effective immediately. The motion was unanimously carried.

b. **Consideration of MOA with Kern Water Bank Authority** – Mr. Averett reported that the State Water Board would allow a Mutual Water Company to sign a MOA to remain on a JPA Board, retain their voting rights and share the same financial responsibilities. Mr. Averett reviewed the Memorandum of Agreement between the Kern Groundwater Authority and the Kern Water Bank with the Authority Board. A motion was made by Director Selvidge and seconded by Director Wegis to approve the Memorandum of Agreement between the KGA and the KWBA allowing them to operate as a KGA board member. The motion was unanimously carried with the KWBA abstaining from the vote.

6. **County Well Metering Ordinance**– Mr. Averett reported that the County is considering this and it is on their board agenda but was tabled. The County is looking at other alternate/potential methods (this is for new wells only). Director Couch encouraged comments to the County regarding this matter for consideration..

7. **Old or New Business** – None

8. **Attorney(s) Report** – No report

9. **Closed Session** – At 8:30 a.m. Director MacIlvaine reported that the Authority Board would meet in closed session along with general counsel.

   At 8:55 a.m. Director MacIlvaine reconvened to open session and reported there were no reportable actions taken in closed session.

10. **Adjournment** – Director MacIlvaine adjourned the board meeting at 8:56 a.m. and announced that there will be Workshop immediately following.