JPA Special Board Meeting Minutes
Kern Groundwater Authority
Thursday, November 16, 2017

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES PRESENT

Raul Barraza, Jr, Arvin Community Services District
John Gaugel, Cawelo WD
Michael James, City of Shafter
Royce Fast & Marty Milobar, KCWA
Kevin Andrew, North Kern Water Storage District
Jason Selvidge & Gary Unruh, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Rick Wegis, Semitropic WSD
Patty Poire, Tejon-Castaic WD
Gary Morris, West Kern WD
Rob Baker, Westside District Water Authority
Michael Blaine, Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES ABSENT

Kevin Pascoe, Arvin-Edison WSD
Supervisor David Couch, County of Kern
Andrew Pandol, Kern-Tulare WD
Bill Taube, Kern Water Bank Authority
Jeff Siemens, Olcese WD
Jim Regan, SSJMUD
Mark Franz, Shafter-Wasco ID

OTHERS PRESENT

Alan Peake, Arvin Community Services District
Steve Collup, Arvin-Edison WSD
Jeevan Muhar, Arivin-Edison WSD
Doug Gosling, Braun Gosling
Brad DeBranch, Bolthouse
Tim Ashlock, Buena Vista WSD
Dave Ansolabehere, Cawelo WD
Dave Hampton, Cawelo WD
Dee Jaspar, Dee Jaspar & Assoc
Larry Rodriguez, GEI Consultants
Florn Core, Kern County Administration Office
Holly Melton, Kern County Water Agency
Dave Beard, ID4
Gene Lundquist, ID4
Rich Tillema, Kern Delta WD
Costas Cereco, Kern-Tulare WD
Mark Tomlinson, Kuhs Parker Law
Robert Hartsock, McMurtrey, Hartsock & Worth

Patrick Mize, North Kern WSD
Valerie Kincaid, O'Laughlin, Paris, LLP
Doug Nunneley, Oildale Water
Pres Brittan, Pacific Resources
Terry Erlewine, Provost & Pritchard
David Halopoff, Provost & Pritchard
Rebecca Gomez, Provost & Pritchard
Eric Averett, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Lori Honea, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Dan Bartel, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Wendy Adams-Rosenburger, West Kern WD
George Cappello, Wheeler Ridge- Maricopa WSD
Molly Saso, Wonderful Orchards
Ernest Conant, Young Wooldridge
Scott Kuney, Young Wooldridge
Devon Yurosek, Yurosek Farming
Jim Beck, Hallmark Group
Craig Lynch, Lynch & Lynch, LLP

1. Call to Order – Director Fast called the meeting to order at 8:06 a.m. after it was confirmed there was a quorum. We met the threshold under the JPA and will be operating under it.

2. Public Comments – None

3. Approval of Minutes
    a. October 25, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes
    A motion was made by Director Andrew and seconded by Director Wegis to approve the October 25, 2017 Regular Board Meeting Minutes. The motion was unanimously carried.

4. Treasurer's Report
    a. Accounts Payable/Receivable – Mr. Mize presented the Accounts Payable/Receivable to the Authority Board. A motion was made by Director Andrew and seconded by Director Wegis to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented and authorize the disbursements as of October 31, 2017. The motion was unanimously carried.
    b. KGA 2016 Financial Audit – Mr. Erlewine proposed plans for Barbich Hooper King Dill Hoffman (BHK) to conduct the 2016 Financial Audit. A motion was made by Director Blaine and seconded by Director Selvidge to proceed with the proposal for an amount not to exceed $10,000. The motion was unanimously carried.

5. Basin Coordinator Report

a. Proposition 1 Grant Application Status– Mr. Erlewine gave an update on the status of the Prop 1 Grant Application status to the Authority Board. Through this grant, DWR plans to allot up to $1.5 million in grant funds per Basin. The Kern River GSA has taken the lead on preparing this application for the Kern Basin and submitted our application on November 10. The five (5) proposed projects for the Kern Basin include: 1) Groundwater Basin model development; 2) Prepare Basin setting material for KGA; 3) GSP development costs for KRGSA; 4) Basin management/coordination and Groundwater model peer review; and 5) KRGSA model review.
b. Proposed Task Orders – Mr. Rodriguez reviewed the GEI Task Order No. 16 with the Authority Board. He reported it will provide a mechanism to collect/reconcile data and develop a water accounting framework for water delivery, water supply, water quality, geology, and hydrogeology between districts. The cost for this task is 75K and the goal is to be completed by March, 2018. A motion was made by Director Selvidge and seconded by Director Wegis to approve the GEI Task Order No. 16 for an amount not exceed $75,000. The motion was unanimously carried.
c. Draft Calendar Year 2018 Budget – Mr. Halopoff presents the proposed 2018 draft budget to the Authority Board. He reported that this was reviewed at the Coordination Committee and would like to give the Board a month to review the comment. Mr. Erlewine commented that the budget includes just KGA costs and there will be additional costs for preparation of GSP chapters. No action was taken at the November KGA board meeting. Comments were requested by November 29 so they can be considered in future revisions and allow the budget to be adopted at the December board meeting.
d. DWR Draft Sustainable Management Criteria BMP – Mr. Erlewine reported that DWR issued the Best Management Practices on Sustainable Management Criteria on November 7. He reported that there was specific language in regard to undesirable effects and minimum thresholds for GSAs. He is working with Ms. Kincaid to provide comments by January 8, 2018.
e. Accomplishments – Mr. Erlewine gave an update on the Basin Coordinator accomplishments to date with the Authority Board as noted in his memo.
f. Forward Work Plan – Mr. Erlewine gave an update on the next steps to the Authority Board as noted in his memo.

6. New Business – None

7. Correspondence – A letter from Cawelo WD was included in the board packet in regard to new representatives. No action was taken.

8. Attorney(s) Report – Ms. Kincaid reported that she is currently working on the Legal Issues paper and she has split it up into three (3) parts. She is working with the attorney

group on comments/edits. Ms. Kincaid is still on track to get all three (3) parts finalized by the end of the year so that a facilitator can become involved by early 2018.

9. Consultant Report – Mr. Rodriguez gave an update on services provided and the status of Task Orders still open as noted in his Activity Report dated November 16, 2017.

10. Closed Session – None

11. Adjournment – Director Fast adjourned the board meeting at 8:34 a.m.