

Attendees:

Members

David Brown, City of Lemoore
Ceil Howe, Empire West Side Irrigation District
Troy Young, Stratford Public Utility District
Joe Neves, County of Kings

Others Present

Cristel Tufenkjian, Kings River Conservation District
Eric Osterling, Kings River Conservation District
Nathan Olson, City of Lemoore
Jeff Chedester, City of Lemoore
Ray Madrigal, City of Lemoore
Randy Shilling, Kings River Conservation District
Chris Johnson, Aegis Groundwater Consulting
Phil Brooks, Sunny Brooks Farms
Loy Wedderburn

Absent:

Members

Stratford Irrigation District

Agenda Item 1: Call to Order at 6:34 pm Presenter: Chair Neves

Randy Shilling, Kings River Conservation District, administered the Oath of Office to Director Ceil Howe and Director Troy Young prior to the start of the Board meeting.

Agenda Item 2: Pledge of Allegiance Presenter: Chair Neves

Agenda Item 3: Public Comment Presenters: Chair Neves

Discussion: None.

Actions: None.

Agenda Item 4: Consider Approval of Minutes Presenter: Chair Neves

Discussion: None.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Brown, seconded by Director Howe, and unanimously carried by Directors Brown, Howe, Young, and Neves that the Minutes of March 8, 2017 are approved as presented.

Agenda Item 5: Director Reports

Presenter: Chair Neves

Discussion: None.

Actions: None.

Agenda Item 6: Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) Update Presenter: Eric Osterling

Discussion:

- a. Eric Osterling, Kings River Conservation District, reported that all Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs) in the Kings Subbasin and Tulare Lake Subbasin have submitted notifications to DWR except for El Rico GSA. It is anticipated that the Kings Subbasin and Tulare Lake Subbasin will have full GSA coverage.
- b. Eric Osterling shared that the Tulare Lake GSA Coordination Group began to focus their attention to data development. Osterling urged that the SFKGSA also begin to inventory existing water data in their service area.

Actions: None.

Agenda Item 7: Consider Groundwater Sustainability Plan Development Strategy Presenter: Eric Osterling

Discussion:

- a. In an effort to get a head start on a Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP), KRCD proposed the immediate development of technical memos and white papers on topical elements of the GSP that are easier and less expensive to prepare. Higher cost work related to highly technical elements of the GSP will be deferred to a hired consultant. The technical memos and white papers would provide a contract consultant a quality foundation for preparing a GSP.

Actions: None.

Agenda Item 8: Financial Report

Presenter: Randy Shilling

Discussion:

- a. Randy Shilling, Kings River Conservation District, provided an explanation of the March 2017 budget-to-actual report.
- b. Randy Shilling noted that opening a bank account for the SFKGSA is in process.
- c. As requested at the last Board meeting, Randy Shilling provided a schedule of the entities who have contributed funds to the SFKGSA formation efforts to date and how much they have contributed.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Howe, seconded by Director Brown, and unanimously carried by Directors Brown, Howe, Young, and Neves that the financial report for the period ending March 31, 2017 is approved as presented.

Agenda Item 9: Consider Forming A Management Committee

Presenter: Eric Osterling

Discussion:

- a. The SFKGSA JPA allows for the formation of a Management Committee with the authority to convene ad-hoc subcommittees and provide recommendations to the Board.
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- b. Agencies that have provided member contributions would be eligible to select a staff member and alternate from their agency to serve on the Committee.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Brown, seconded by Director Young, and unanimously carried by Directors Brown, Howe, Young, and Neves to authorize the formation of a Management Committee comprised of one staff member and alternate from each of the Members.

Agenda Item 10: Stakeholder Outreach And Communications Presenter: Cristel Tufenkjian

Discussion:

- a. Cristel Tufenkjian, Kings River Conservation District, reported that KRCD will establish a public email for each of the Board Members. The email would be available on the SFKGSA website.

Actions: None.

Agenda Item 11: Other Items for Discussion Presenter: Chair Neves

Discussion: None.

Actions: None.

Agenda Item 12: Set Next Meeting Date Presenters: Chair Neves, Eric Osterling

Discussion:

- a. Regular meetings of the SFKGSA will be held on a quarterly basis on the third Thursday. Meetings will take place at the Lemoore City Council Chambers and begin at 5:30pm.
b. The first meeting to start the quarterly schedule will be June 15, 2017 at 5:30pm at the Lemoore City Council Chambers.

Actions: None.

Agenda Item 13: Adjournment Adjourned 7:04 pm

Submitted by:

Troy Young, Board Secretary

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Joe Neves, Board Chair