

South Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Special Board Meeting Minutes

November 16, 2023 at 5:45 p.m.
429 C Street, Lemoore, CA 93245

Members Present:

Joe Neves, County of Kings (Chair)
Ceil Howe Empire West Irrigation District (Vice Chair)
Frank Gornick, City of Lemoore (Secretary)
Michael Newton, Stratford Irrigation District

Members Absent:

Scott Mercer, Stratford Public Utility District

Others Present:

Paul Stiglich, General Manager
Ken Richardson General Council
Amer Hussain Engineer

Item 1: CALL TO ORDER **Presenter:** Chair Neves

The meeting was called to order at 5:45 PM, and the Roll was called to establish a quorum.

Roll Call: Director Neves: Present
Director Howe: Present
Director Gornick: Present
Director Newton: Present
Director Mercer: Absent

A Super Quorum is present.

Item 2: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE **Presenter:** Chair Neves

Item 3: ADDITIONS TO OR DELETIONS FROM THE AGENDA **Presenter:** Chair Neves

Discussion:

None.

Actions:

None.

Item 4: PUBLIC COMMENT **Presenter:** Chair Neves

Discussion:

None.

Actions:

None.

Item 5: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES FOR OCTOBER 19, 2023 **Presenter:** Chair Neves

Discussion: None

Actions:

It was moved by Director Howe, seconded by Director Newton, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes of the October 19, 2023, Special Board Meetings.

Ayes: Chair Neves, Vice Chair Howe, Secretary Gornick, Director Newton, and ; Noes: None; Abstentions; None; Absent: Director Mercer)

Item 6: DIRECTOR REPORTS **Presenter:** Chair Neves

Discussion: Director Gornick, and Vice Chair Howe commented on the Public Hearing regarding TLSB Probation recommendation presented by the SWRCB Staff on November 8, 2023.

Actions: None.

Item 7: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF ORDINANCE 2023 - 01 **Presenter:** GM Stiglich

Discussion: Directors commented on the Ordinance but approved the first reading with certain amendments, such as additional definitions of wells. Moved by Director Gornick and seconded by Director Newton.

Actions: (Ayes: Chair Neves, Vice Chair Howe, Director Gornick, Director Newton and ; Noes: None; Abstentions; none Absent: Directors Mercer)

Item 8: APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-04 **Presenter:** Chair Neves

Discussion Resolution failed as the Proposition 218 property assessment failed.

Actions: None.

Item 9: APPROVE RESOLUTION 2023-05 **Presenter:** Chair Neves

Discussion: Resolution failed as the Proposition 218 property assessment failed.

Actions: None.

Item 10: GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT **Presenter** GM Stiglich

Discussion GM Stiglich gave a brief report on meetings that he attended and discussions with stakeholders in The SFGSA.

Actions: None

Item 11: Revised Conflict of Interest Code **Presenter** Chair Neves

Discussion: information only

Action: None

Item 12: GEOSYNTEC REPORT **Presenter** Engineer Amer

Discussion: Engineer Amer went over some of the finer points of Ordinance 2023-01. Additionally, Amer presented a contract request not to exceed \$35,000.

Actions: The Chair Tabled this request as the funding source is uncertain at this time.

Discussion None.

Item 13 NEXT MEETING DATE AND AGENDA ITEMS **Presenter:** Chair Neves

Discussion: GM Stiglich requested a Special Board meeting to review a Proposition 26 Fee for Service funding source.

Actions: Next meeting is scheduled for November 30, 2023, at the Lemoore City Council Chambers, 429 C St., starting at 5:30 PM.

Item 14 ADJOURNMENT **Presenter:** Chair Neves

Discussion: None

Actions: Adjourned at 7:18 PM
