



Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency

Board of Directors Meeting Minutes

Date: 01/28/2021

Time: 5:30 p.m.

Location: Remote only in accordance with CA Executive Order N-29-20

1. CONVENE MEETING

- 1.1 Call to Order and Roll Call
Chair Perri called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

Directors (Alternates acting as voting Directors shown in italics):

E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, *J. Koopman*, G. Mahood, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, M. Smolley, R. Stiles, C. Perri

Alternates (Present as non-voting observers):

J.M Brown, L. Henry

Staff:

C. Blanchard, P. Harmon, S. Hill, K. Krotcov, R. Menard, S. Ryan, N. Wallace

Consultants:

D. Ceppos, S. Chartrand G. King, J. Murray, T. Rein

- 1.2 Additions/Deletions to the Agenda
None
- 1.3 Oral communications on items not on the Agenda
P. Harmon reported that A. Franklin resigned from the Board of Directors effective January 22, 2021.
One Director made comments.
- 1.4 Acknowledgement of the appointment of Manu Koenig from the County of Santa Cruz and Mark Smolley from the San Lorenzo Valley Water District to the Santa Margarita Groundwater Agency Board of Directors.
The Board Chair acknowledged the appointments of M. Koenig and M. Smolley and welcomed them to the Agency.

2. GENERAL

- 2.1 Informational Session – Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Elements
- 2.1.1 GSP Roadmap – January 28, 2021
G. King reported on upcoming meeting content and the overall timeline and status of the GSP project. Her report was accepted without comment.
- 2.1.2 Draft Problems Statement and Results of Modeling Scenarios for Potential Projects
- a. Draft Problem Statement

b. Results of Model Scenarios for Potential Projects

D. Ceppos provided an overview of the informational session and welcomed new Board members.

G. King presented information on the draft GSP problem statement. D. Ceppos facilitated a discussion of verbiage in the draft statement by the Board and staff. G. King requested that all comments not strongly felt be sent to N. Wallace by 2/5/21.

One public comment was heard.

G. King presented information on the results of hydrogeological modeling of proposed projects and responded to questions. The Board discussed the information.

D. Lind joined the meeting at 6:50 and attended as a non-voting observer.

J.M. Brown left the meeting at 6:53.

S. Chartrand reported on the climate scenario used in the current hydrogeological model and reported on temperatures and methodologies used in projection scenario GFDL 2.1A2 and responded to questions. G. King presented information on groundwater storage projections and potential Agency and Member-Agency projects throughout the Santa Margarita Basin and responded to questions. D. Ceppos facilitated a discussion of additional modeling scenarios between with Board and staff.

The Board directed staff to conduct additional modeling iterations that included a revised climate scenario.

Two public comments were heard.

2.2 Annual Financial Report for Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2020 and 2019

S. Hill reported on the annual audit and responded to questions.

MOTION: Koenig/Cassidy to accept the Annual Financial Report.

AYES: E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, *J. Koopman*, G. Mahood, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, M. Smolley, R. Stiles, C. Perri

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

2.3 Monitoring and Data Management Fund Agreement

P. Harmon reported on the management fund and S. Ryan responded to questions.

MOTION: Cassidy/Engfer to approve and authorize staff to execute the agreement with the County of Santa Cruz for monitoring and data management services in the amount not to exceed \$204,500.

AYES: E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, G. Mahood, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, M. Smolley, R. Stiles, C. Perri

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: J. Koopman

ABSENT: None

2.4 Public Official Bond for Treasurer

P. Harmon reported on bond requirements and responded to questions.

MOTION: Cassidy/Koopman to authorize staff to secure a Public Official Bond for the Agency Treasurer not to exceed \$50,000.

AYES: E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, *J. Koopman*, G. Mahood, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, M. Smolley, R. Stiles, C. Perri

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

3. CONSENT

3.1 Approval of Minutes – November 16, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting

3.2 Approval of Minutes – December 09, 2020 Board of Directors Meeting

MOTION: Cassidy/Stiles to approve the consent agenda.

AYES: E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, *J. Koopman*, G. Mahood, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, M. Smolley, R. Stiles, C. Perri

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: M. Koenig

ABSENT: None

4. ADMINISTRATIVE

4.1 Election of Officers

Per Agency bylaws, Board officers are elected by the Board during the first meeting of a calendar year and serve a one-year term.

Chris Perri (Scotts Valley Water District) was elected Board Chair. Gail Mahood (San Lorenzo Valley Water District) was elected Vice Chair. Jack Dilles (City of Scotts Valley) was elected Secretary.

MOTION: McPherson/Engfer to nominate and elect C. Perri for Board Chair.

AYES: E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, *J. Koopman*, G. Mahood, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, M. Smolley, R. Stiles, C. Perri

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: McPherson/Engfer to nominate and elect G. Mahood for Vice Chair.

AYES: E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, *J. Koopman*, G. Mahood, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, M. Smolley, R. Stiles, C. Perri

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

MOTION: Perri/Mahood to nominate and elect J. Dilles for Secretary.

AYES: E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, *J. Koopman*, G. Mahood, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, M. Smolley, R. Stiles, C. Perri

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

5. STAFF REPORTS

- Financial Report for the Period of October 01, 2020 to December 31, 2020 (Stephanie Hill)
The report was accepted without comment.
- Quarterly communications Report for the Period of October 01, 2020 to December 31, 2020 (Jennifer Murray/Bill Maxfield)
P. Harmon responded to questions from the Board and the report was accepted.
- Legal Counsel Update (Oral, Terry Rein)
T. Rein had no comments.

6. DIRECTORS REPORTS

- 6.1 Individual Directors' Reports
Requests were heard from Director Perri and Alternate Director Koopman.
M. Koenig reported that he conducted an onboarding meeting with D. Ceppos.
- 6.2 Board Compliance
N. Wallace reported that form 700's for 2020 are due no later than April 1, 2021 and to contact him with any questions or issues.

7. FUTURE ITEMS

- Records Retention Policy
 - Financial Controls for Borrowing Money
- Informational Sessions
- Groundwater Sustainability Plan Elements

8. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

- 8.1 Items of Interest
 - None
- 8.2 Written Correspondence
 - Letter from Nick Vrolyk dated December 01, 2020
C. Perri acknowledged receipt of the letter.

9. EVENTS CALENDAR

- Groundwater Resources Association Future of Water Conference, February 24 – February 25, 2021
Virtual Event.
- GRA/CGC 2021 Groundwater Law and Legislative Forum, March 24, 2021 Virtual Event

10. ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Cassidy/Stiles to adjourn the meeting at 9:29 p.m.

AYES: E. Cassidy, J. Dilles, D. Engfer, M. Koenig, *J. Koopman*, G. Mahood, B. McPherson, D. Pollock, M. Smolley, R. Stiles, C. Perri

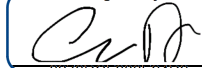
NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: None

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Chris Perri, Chair

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Jack Dilles, Secretary

3/26/2021

Date