

**EAST KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY  
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

**MINUTES FOR THE SPECIAL MEETING ON APRIL 22, 2019**

The East Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency (“EKGSA”) Board of Directors duly met for a special meeting on Monday, April 22, 2019, at the Exeter Museum located at 125 S. B Street, Exeter, CA 93221.

**OPEN SESSION:** Convened at 3:00 p.m.

1. **DIRECTORS PRESENT:** Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer,

**DIRECTORS ABSENT:** Crocker, Rivera, Burkett.

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Michael Hagman, Executive Director; Joe Hughes, Legal Counsel; Matt Klinchuch, Engineer; Trilby Barton, Provost & Pritchard; and various members of the public.

2. **APPROVE THE AGENDA:** Motion to approve the agenda was made by Director Watson, seconded by Director Ferrara, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera, Burkett.

3. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Board and public performed the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

4. **PUBLIC COMMENT:** No comments.

5. **MINUTES:**

Motion to adopt and ratify the minutes provided by the Secretary was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera, Burkett.

**6. ADMINISTRATION:**

- a. Executive/Administrative Assistant Services: The Executive Director gave a report. Following discussion, Director George made a motion to form an ad hoc committee to review and make a recommendation regarding future executive and administrative services for EKGSA, which was seconded by Director Roberts, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

Directors George, Burkett, and Gobler were then appointed to the ad hoc committee.

- b. Staffing and Funding Beyond 2019: The Executive Director gave a report. Following discussion, Director Ferrara moved to keep the current dues formula intact, which was seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

Following discussion, on motion of Director Watson, seconded by Director Gobler, the Executive Director was directed to solicit proposals for providing Proposition 218 compliance for an EKGSA land-based assessment to pay for GSP compliance costs, which was carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

Following discussion, Director Watson moved to direct the Technical Advisory Committee to review the possible use of an extraction fee based on groundwater

use above allocated native yield to help fund GSP implementation, which was seconded by Director George and carried on the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

c. Financial Administration:

- Accounts Payable: The Executive Director provided a listing of the Agency's Accounts Payable and backup documentation and requested ratification of the payments made to meet the obligations of the Authority.

Motion to authorize ratification of the payments made as presented by the Executive Director was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Peltzer, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

- Affidavit of Reconciliation: Motion to accept the Affidavit of Reconciliation as presented by the Executive Director was made by Director Roberts, seconded by Director Watson, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

- Presentation of Unaudited Financial Statement: Executive Director presented an unaudited financial statement.

Motion to adopt the unaudited financial statement as presented by the Executive Director was made by Director Buldo, seconded by Director Ferrara, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanasio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

- Cash Flow Planning: Motion to make a call for funds in the amount of \$125,000 using the Plan Development method of allocation was made by Director George, seconded by Director Robert, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanasio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

## **7. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY EFFORTS:**

### **a. Committee/Team Reports:**

- Advisory Committee: The Executive Director gave a report on the activities of the Advisory Committee. Director Ferrara reported that the Advisory Committee met on April 15, 2019.
- Technical Advisory Committee: Director Gobler gave a report on TAC activities.
- Kaweah Sub-Basin Management Team: The Executive Director gave a report.

b. Sub-Basin Setting Development: Executive Director provided the Board with an update on consultant's efforts and agreements and presented a draft subbasin water budget.

c. GSP Development Status & Timeline: Executive Director provided the Board with a report on the GSP development.

d. EKGSA Communications and Engagement Plan Effort: Trilby Barton provided the Board with an update on C&E Plan efforts.

## **8. ADJOURN TO CLOSED SESSION:**

Executive Director referenced the item listed on the Agenda for Closed Session and advised the Board and public that these items would be discussed under Closed Session.

**CLOSED SESSION BEGAN AT 5:45 PM**

**A. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL—POTENTIAL LITIGATION:**

Potential litigation pursuant to paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code § 54956.9 (d) (2): One Case.

Following the closed session, Legal Counsel reported that no reportable action was taken in the Closed Session.

**9. OTHER MISCELLANEOUS:**

None.

**10. ADJOURNMENT:**

Motion to adjourn was made by Director Peltzer, seconded by Director Gobler, and carried by the following vote:

AYES: Milanesio, Buldo, Watson, Ferrara, Roberts, Gobler, George, Peltzer, Burkett.

NOES: None

ABSTAIN: None

ABSENT: Crocker, Rivera.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:31 p.m.