



EASTERN TULE
GROUNDWATER
SUSTAINABILITY
AGENCY
JOINT POWERS
AUTHORITY

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS
HELD JANUARY 4, 2018**

At approximately, 2:00 p.m. on January 4, 2018, at the City of Porterville Council Chambers, Eric Borba, Chairman of the Eastern Tule GSA, called to order a meeting of the Board of Directors of the Eastern Tule Groundwater Sustainability Agency Joint Powers Authority (“ETGSA”).

Directors Present: Eric Borba Curt Holmes
 Tim Allan Matthew Leider
 Mike Ennis Steven Kisling
 Dyson Schneider
 Lorren Wheaton

Directors Absent: Cameron Hamilton

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Borba opened the meeting for public comment. Comment was received from Bill Samarin. Director Tim Allan also announced he is resigning from the board.

BILLS AND WARRANTS

Consider Authorization to Make First Quarter Call for Funds of \$60,637.50

Secretary Geivet gave a summary on the 2017/2018 Fiscal Year Budget and call for funds. Attached hereto as Agenda Item #3a is a copy of the summary. Director Kisling moved, and Director Ennis seconded to approve the call for funds as described in Agenda Item #3a. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Consider Authorization to Pay the Bills

Secretary Geivet provided a summary of bills incurred by the ETGSA to date. Attached hereto an incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #3b is a copy of the bills.

Director Wheaton moved and Director Holmes seconded to approve payment of the bills as presented. The board unanimously approved the motion.

ENCLOSURE # _____

MINUTES

Approval of October 19, 2017 Minutes

Secretary Geivet noted he received a request from the public to amend the minutes. A copy of the minutes of the meeting of October 19, 2017, marked as Agenda #4 are attached hereto and incorporated by reference. Director Wheaton moved for approval of the October 19, 2017 minutes as presented in the agenda packet. The motion was seconded by Director Ennis and the board unanimously approved the motion.

COMMITTEE REPORTS – skipped to administration

Receive and Discuss Executive Committee Monthly Report

Secretary Geivet indicated his report would be encompassed in the later agenda items under Administration.

Receive and Discuss Stakeholder Committee Monthly Report

Secretary Geivet indicated his report would be encompassed in the later agenda items under Administration.

ADMINISTRATION

By-Laws – Update and Progression of By-Laws

Secretary Geivet provided an update on the draft bylaws. He is currently addressing a potential Technical Advisory Committee component. He will bring the item back before the board at a later meeting.

Board and Committee Meetings – Discuss and Consider Approval of New Meeting Date and Times for the Executive Committee Meeting, Stakeholder Committee and Board of Directors Meetings

Secretary Geivet reported the Executive Committee and Stakeholder Committee had discussed changing the flow of meeting times, and potentially reducing the number of board of director meetings from monthly, to every other month or quarterly. Secretary Geivet recommended the board of director meeting take place every other month, on the first Thursday, at 2:00 p.m.

Discussion amongst the board ensued.

Public comment received from Bill Samarin.

Director Schneider moved and Director Leider seconded to move the board of director meetings to take place every other month, on the first Thursday, at 2:00 p.m. The board unanimously approved the motion.

GSP Review Committee Meeting – Consider Approval of Ad Hoc Committee For Limited Purposes of GSP Identification of Issues to Present to Stakeholder Committee

Secretary Geivet provided a report. He indicated the Stakeholder and Executive Committee had provided feedback that it would like to see the creation of an Ad Hoc Committee comprised of two individuals from the Stakeholder and Executive Committee each to help start laying out policy discussions and issues related to GSP development.

Public comment was received from Bill Samarin.

Director Leider moved and Director Holmes seconded to authorize the formation of an Ad Hoc Committee to be comprised of two individuals from the Stakeholder and Executive Committees for the limited purpose of analyzing policy issues for purposes of GSP development. The board unanimously approved the motion.

Policy Analysis Project – Consider Authorizing Execution of a Contract to Perform Policy Analysis on the Issue of Transitional Pumping at a Cost not to Exceed \$10,000.

Secretary Geivet introduced Liz DaBramo. Ms. DaBramo would like to do research on transitional pumping in the ETGSA. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference is Agenda #6d, a copy of the proposed contract from Ms. DaBramo. Secretary Geivet recommended approving a proposed contract in an amount not to exceed \$10,000 subject to legal and staff review.

Public comment was received from Bill Samarin.

Discussion amongst the board ensued.

Director Kisling moved and Director Leider seconded to approve the contract subject to legal and staff review in an amount not to exceed \$10,000. The board unanimously approved the motion.

SET NEXT MEETING DATE

Chairman Borba announced the next meeting of the board of directors is March 1, 2018, at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

Since there was no further business to come before the board of directors, the meeting was concluded.

Respectfully submitted,

Sean P. Geivet, Secretary and Interim Executive Director

