



EASTERN TULE
GROUNDWATER
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MINUTES OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE HELD AUGUST 20, 2020

At approximately 2:00 p.m. on August 20, 2020, Chairman Borba called to order a meeting of the Board of Directors of the District. Consistent with Executive Order N-29-20 and social distancing directives, the meeting was conducted by teleconference only, with no physical location for the meeting.

Executive Members Present:

John M. Domondon	Eric Limas
Sean Geivet	Nick Keller
Steve Etchegaray	Eric Borba
Denise England	Glenn Fowler
Michael Knight	
Steve Dalke	

Executive Members Absent:

ROLL CALL

General Manager Caudillo called the roll with the following committee members indicating their presence:

Member Dalke
Member Domondon
Member Geivet
Member Keller
Member Fowler
Member Limas
Member England

PUBLIC COMMENT

Chairman Borba announced public the comment period.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Manager Caudillo announced that groundwater extraction fee notice has been mailed out. General Manager Caudillo pointed people to the website for further information. The public hearing will be October 1, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

MINUTES

Approve the June 18, 2020 Meeting of the ETGSA Executive Committee Minutes

Committee member Keller moved for approval of the June 18, 2020 meeting of the Executive Committee minutes. The motion was seconded by Committee member Domondon and carried unanimously by way of the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Member Dalke

Member Domondon

Member Etchegaray

Member Geivet

Member Keller

Member Fowler

Member Limas

Member England

Opposed: None.

GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY PLAN

Presentation by Aquilogic on GSP Comments

Bob Abrams and Tom Watson of Aqualogic gave a presentation to the committee on Comments of the Tule Subbasin GSP Pertaining to Existing and Predicted Future Subsidence. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #5 is a copy of the presentation.

POLICY ISSUES

Review and Discussion of ETGSA Land Subsidence Management Plan DRAFT

Thomas Harder gave a report on the DRAFT Land Subsidence Management Plan. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #6a is a copy of the draft.

Discussion ensued regarding various aspects of Mr. Harder's report and timing of further research.

Discussion ensued regarding mitigation alternatives and relative effectiveness as presented in Agenda Item #6a. Options discussed were the possibility of adding deep recharge wells; possibility of having a different sustainable yield or a different target than the rest of the basin; and continue to increase data collection.

Comment from Todd Turley.

Discussion continued of potential leave behinds.

Comment from Don Castle.

Discussion ensued regarding pumping from the Santa Margarita zone.

Discussion ensued regarding the formation of an ad hoc committee.

Committee member Etchegaray moved to recommend David De Groot as the chair of an ad hoc committee to provide recommendations to the committees and board for next steps on the Draft Land Subsidence Management Plan. Committee member Etchegaray seconded and the committee unanimously approved with the following vote:

In Favor:

Member Dalke

Member Etchegaray

Member Geivet

Member Keller

Member Fowler

Member Limas

Member Knight

Member Domondon

Opposed: None.

Bill Samarin provided comment.

Review and Discussion of ETGSA Rules & Regulations

General Counsel Mauritson and Consulting Engineer De Groot gave a report on the Rules & Regulations. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda #6b is a copy of the Rules & Regulations with a summary of redlines and comments received by stakeholders.

Mr. De Groot provided a report on calculations of net groundwater consumptive use. Discussion ensued from all in attendance regarding Section 3.05. Staff committed to work on further revisions to such section.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Next Executive Committee Meeting – Thursday, September 17, 2020 at 2 pm

The next meeting of the Executive Committee is set for September 17, 2020, at 2:00 p.m.

ADJOURNMENT

As there was no further business to come before the Committee, Chairman Borba adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Chairman Eric Borba