

ANNOUNCEMENTS

General Manager Caudillo advised that there were no new announcements.

CLOSED SESSION

CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION
[Significant Exposure to Litigation Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2)]
Number of Potential Cases: Four

The Board of Directors, while in closed session pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), met with General Counsel Aubrey Mauritson regarding four potential items of anticipated litigation.

CLOSED SESSION ITEMS

Report Action Taken in Closed Session Required by Government Code 54957.1

General Counsel Mauritson reported that the board directed staff to work on an emergency drought ordinance containing the following: a percentage reduction of Land IQ's calculated groundwater consumption; permission for fallowed irrigated acres to be allocated entire precipitation with no deductions; clarification that Native Sustainable Yield and Precipitation will be accounted separately; and the allowance of grazing lands to "opt out" of the Rules and Regulations. A document will be drafted and circulated for public review.

MINUTES

Approval of Minutes of the April 1, 2021 Meeting of the Board Minutes

Director Corkins moved for the approval of the minutes of April 1, 2021 board meeting. The motion was seconded by Director Townsend, and approved by way of the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Townsend
Director Dalke
Director Leider
Director Galloway
Director Corkins
Director Reyes
Director Schneider
Director Kisling
Chairman Borba

Opposed: None.

ADMINISTRATION

ACTION – Discussion of Water Market Boards and Consideration of Approval of 4Creeks Proposal for Bulletin Board)

Consulting Engineer David De Groot provided a report regarding the water market boards and consideration of approval of 4Creeks proposal for a bulletin board. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #7a is a copy of the proposal.

Director Corkins moved to approve the 4Creeks proposal. Director Schneider seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried by way of the following roll call vote:

Public comment from Justine Massey.

Consulting Engineer De Groot provided further explanation of the proposal.

In Favor:

Director Townsend
Director Dalke
Director Leider
Director Galloway
Director Corkins
Director Reyes
Director Schneider
Director Kisling
Chairman Borba

Opposed: None.

Report from ETGSA Land Subsidence Management Zone Ad-Hoc Committee

Consulting Engineer David De Groot provided a report on a draft Land Subsidence Management Plan. The Ad Hoc Committee has recommended a draft for further review by the board and subsequent direction to staff.

The Board directed staff to prepare a shorter document summarizing the contents of the draft plan. Both the shorter summary and the full plan could be sent through committees, with public outreach to follow.

Report from 4Creeks on ETGSA Accounting and Invoicing

Consulting Engineer De Groot provided a report on accounting and invoicing. Invoices have been sent out for October – December transitional pumping. There was no transitional pumping during the period. Invoices for the period of January – March will be sent out by the end of May. All accounts are being updated by the end of the month. Going forward, invoices for each quarter will be sent out 30-45 days following the end of the quarter. Thus far, 1,064 landowner accounts have

been established, covering 91,000 acres. The registered accounts constitute a substantial portion of the irrigated acres within ETGSA's boundaries. The second notice for the SGMA charge has been issued, and 503 calls were logged from April 1 to May 3. Some online tutorial videos have been prepared.

Report on GSA-to-GSA Transfers

Consulting Engineer De Groot provided a report regarding GSA-to-GSA transfers. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item 7d is a policy document regarding ETGSA transfer rules and potential additional restrictions.

Discussion ensued regarding potential limits on restrictions of quantities of outgoing transfers.

The Board directed staff Direct to explore and discuss with committees.

ACTION – Consider Approval of Adjustment of Management Areas in ETGSA

Consulting Engineer De Groot provided a report regarding adjustment of management areas in ETGSA. Community management areas were set up with urban development boundaries, with the intent of establishing boundaries that do not need to be constantly adjusted. The issue is complicated by the fact that there is large amount of actively farmed ground. Mr. De Groot recommended modification of management areas within the ETGSA to follow the community jurisdictional boundary, excepting the urban development boundaries, which will be moved into the Greater Tule Management Area.

Director Corkins moved to approve the adjustment of management areas in ETGSA. Director Townsend seconded.

Discussion ensued as to the recommendation.

Matthew Watkins and Justine Massey provided public comment.

The motion was carried by way of the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Townsend
Director Dalke
Director Leider
Director Galloway
Director Corkins
Director Schneider
Director Kisling
Chairman Borba

Opposed:

Director Reyes

ACTION – Review and Consider Approval of ETGSA Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget Draft

General Manager Caudillo provided a report on the ETGSA Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #7f is a copy of the budget.

Director Corkins moved to approve the ETGSA Fiscal Year 2021-2022 Budget draft. Director Leider seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried by way of the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Townsend
Director Dalke
Director Leider
Director Galloway
Director Corkins
Director Reyes
Director Schneider
Director Kisling
Chairman Borba

Opposed: None.

ACTION – Consider Approval of Rate Payers Report and Set Date for Public Hearing on SGMA Fee

General Manager Caudillo provided a report on the Rate Payers Report and the date for public hearing on SGMA Fee. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #7g is a copy of the report.

Director Corkins moved to approve the Rate Payers Report and set the public hearing date on the SGMA fee for July 1, 2021. Director Kisling seconded.

Public comment was received from Justine Massey and Matthew Watkins.

Discussion ensued on invoicing language.

Director Corkins amended the motion to direct changes to the water rate study based upon revisions to the Greater Tule Management Area. Director Kisling seconded, and the motion was unanimously carried by way of the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Townsend
Director Dalke
Director Leider
Director Galloway
Director Corkins
Director Reyes
Director Schneider
Director Kisling
Chairman Borba

Opposed: None.

**Chairman Borba left at this time.*

STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

Report on Ongoing ETGSA Outreach Efforts

General Manager Caudillo provided a report on the ongoing outreach efforts and upcoming events. A copy of his report is attached as Agenda Item #8a and incorporated by reference.

REPORT FROM COMMITTEES

Receive Reports from Executive Committee Members

General Manager Caudillo advised that the Executive Committee did not meet in the preceding month, due to lack of agenda items.

Receive Reports from Stakeholder Committee Members

General Manager Caudillo advised that the Stakeholder Committee did not meet in the preceding month, due to lack of agenda items.

BILLS AND WARRANTS

Receive Finance Committee Monthly Reports

General Manager Caudillo provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #10a is a copy of the report on the meeting of the Finance Committee.

ACTION - Review the Financial Statements; Consider Ratification of Bills Paid and Approval of Bills to be Paid

General Manager Caudillo provided a report on current financial standing and accounts payable. The finance committee recommends payment of the accounts. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #8b is a copy of the financial statements.

Director Schneider moved to approve the financial statements, ratification of bills paid, and approval of bills to be paid, as presented in the agenda packet. The motion was seconded by Director Townsend, and approved by way of the following roll call vote:

In Favor:

Director Townsend
Director Dalke
Director Leider
Director Galloway
Director Corkins
Director Reyes
Director Schneider
Director Kisling

Opposed: None

TULE SUBBASIN AND REGIONAL REPORTS AND ITEMS

Report on Tule Subbasin Coordination and TH&Co Task Items

General Manager Caudillo provided a report. Attached hereto and incorporated by reference as Agenda Item #11a is a copy of the report.

NEXT MEETING DATE

Next Regular Meeting – Thursday June 3, 2021 at 2:00 p.m.

The next regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the ETGSA Joint Powers Authority shall be held on June 3, 2021 at 2:00 p.m. A special board meeting may be called prior.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business before the Board, Vice-chairman Kisling adjourned the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

Rogelio Caudillo, General Manager