

Minutes

KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting

Date: July 9, 2019 – Tuesday
Time: 1:30 P.M.
Location: 4886 E. Jensen Avenue, Fresno

President Stanfield called the meeting to order at 1:31 P.M.

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Paul Stanfield, President
 Gregory Beberian, Vice President
 Ceil W. Howe Jr.
 Mark C. McKean
 David Cehrs, Ph.D.
 Chris Kapheim
 Mike Yoshimoto

DIRECTORS ABSENT

None.

OTHERS PRESENTKRCD Staff

Paul Peschel
 Corey McLaughlin
 David Merritt
 Brian Trevarrow
 Cristel Tufenkjian
 Charlotte Gallock
 Eric Athorp

Consultants & Others

Steve Haugen, Kings River Water Association
 Matt Meadows, Kings River Water Association
 Joe Hughes, Attorney

ROUTINE OPENING BUSINESS

1. Additions to or Deletions from the Agenda
 - a. None.
2. Public Presentations or Comments
 - a. None
3. Approval of Minutes of the June 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting
 - a. It was moved by Director Cehrs, seconded by Director Howe, and unanimously carried, that the minutes of the June 11, 2019 Regular Board Meeting be approved as amended to add "Ph.D." following Director Cehrs' name, and to add Director McKean's name to the "Ayes" for the approval of the bills.

(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, McKean, and Yoshimoto -NOES: None - ABSENT: None)

REPORTS

4. Water and Weather Conditions (KRWA Staff)

- a. Steve Haugen, KRWA Watermaster, reported Pine Flat storage peaked at 956,750 AF of water. Combined Pine Flat and upstream vacant space is approximately 57,000 AF. 390,000 AF of runoff is estimated for July, with flows remaining fairly high. Another flood release is possible this winter, depending on fall/winter precipitation. There were 73 days of flood releases during the March 8-April 3 and May 9-June 23 time periods. 90% of the all water released from Pine Flat during this time period remained in the service area. 32 of the 73 days resulted in some water leaving the service area through the North Fork.

5. Directors' Reports

- a. None.

6. Staff Reports

The Board received reports on the prior month's activities from members of the District management staff:

- a. Paul Peschel, General Manager/Secretary
 - i. Mr. Peschel reported on the results of conversations with Andy Sells of ACWA-JPIA, and Michael Cervantes and Tiffany Giammona of ACWA. ACWA JPIA is coordinating a presentation, intended for GSAs encompassed by ACWA regions 6 and 7, regarding developing an insurance instrument that would allow for the development of a litigation pool to provide funding for GSA lawsuit related legal support. Although other areas of lawsuit protection may be developed with the new insurance instrument, the primary area of need anticipated is lawsuits associated with GSP implementation.
- b. Cristel Tufenkjian, Director of External Affairs
 - i. Ms. Tufenkjian presented a river-safety awareness video, developed in conjunction with the Water Safety Council of Fresno County. The video was shared on social media.
- c. Charlotte Gallock, Director of Water Resources
 - i. Ms. Gallock reported that she presented the CV-SALTS Management Zone Pilot Study to the State Water Resources Control Board on July 2, 2019. The Board was receptive to the amendments presented, and the amendments are anticipated to be passed in August, which will trigger compliance in 2020. Governance structures of the Management Zone Pilot Study will be the topic of the next meeting on July 30, 2019, at 1:30 p.m.
 - ii. Fill Stations/Kiosks: Hanford and Dinuba fill stations are progressing, and contract discussions are beginning. Kerman is being reviewed as a possible third fill station location.
 - iii. Membership: 96% of farm evaluations and 92% of Nitrogen reports have been submitted. At the end of July, any non-paying members will be dropped from membership in the Coalition (currently about 150).
 - iv. SB200 was approved by the Assembly and Senate, and is awaiting Governor Newsome's signature.
 - v. SGMA: The McMullin GSA's GSP is anticipated this week; the North Fork GSA's GSP is expected July 22; and the North Kings GSA's GSP will be completed after August 15.

- d. David Merritt, Deputy General Manager/COO
 - i. Pine Flat: For the budget year 2018-2019, power generation exceeded the budgeted amount by 120,426 NET MWhrs. June generation was 134,759.5 NET MWhrs.
 - ii. Flood Project: Significant progress has been made on the South Fork levee maintenance project. The associated landowner has been very cooperative including re-routing the irrigation ditch that previously made levee maintenance difficult.
 - iii. McMullin Project: Two head-gates need some repair due to failed grout on the seal strips. A warranty claim has been filed with the contractor and the repair will occur once the irrigation pool recedes. The remaining construction is progressing as anticipated.
- e. Brian Trevarrow, Deputy General Manager/CFO
 - i. Nothing to add to the written report.

ACTION ITEMS

- 7. Dissolution of ad hoc Groundwater Committee (Paul Peschel)
 - a. It was moved by Director Howe, seconded by Director Kapheim, and unanimously carried to dissolve the *ad hoc* Groundwater Committee.

(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, McKean, and Yoshimoto -NOES: None - ABSENT: None)
- 8. Annual Report of Reimbursements (Brian Trevarrow)
 - a. It was moved by Director McKean, seconded by Director Kapheim, and unanimously carried to receive the District's Annual Report of Reimbursements.

(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, McKean, and Yoshimoto -NOES: None - ABSENT: None)
- 9. Financial Report
 - a. Budget Expenditures (Brian Trevarrow)

The Auditor presented expenditure-to-budget comparison reports for the period ending June 30, 2019. In addition, the monthly investment report for June 2019 was presented.
 - b. Review of Monthly Disbursements (Mark McKean)

It was moved by Director McKean, seconded by Director Howe, and unanimously carried, that bills in the amount of \$414,476.89, as presented in the schedule of Disbursements and Current Accounts Payable, were approved and ordered paid.

(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors McKean, Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, Yoshimoto -NOES: None - ABSENT: None)
- 10. Strategic Plan (Paul Peschel)
 - a. Mr. Peschel provided a presentation and handout of an updated draft Strategic Plan for the Board's consideration.

11. CLOSED SESSION (3:51 p.m. – comfort break begun at 3:52 p.m. and ended at 3:58 p.m., when closed session continued)
 - a. Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2) To confer with its Legal Counsel regarding exposure to two matters of potential litigation.
 - b. Government Code Section 54957(b) To evaluate the performance of the General Manager.
12. Reconvene to Open Session/Report Any Action Taken in Closed Session (4:58 p.m.)
 - a. No action was taken on Item 11a.
 - b. Item 11b. was deferred to the next Board Meeting.
13. Creation of Strategic Plan Committee
 - a. Deferred to the next Board Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Stanfield adjourned the meeting at 4:59 P.M.

Paul G. Peschel
Board Secretary

Board President

Approved on _____, 2019

KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
 Schedule of Disbursements and Current Accounts Payable
 Presented July 9, 2019
 (For Expenditures in the Month Ending June 30, 2019)

Director's Payroll	06/11/19	4,723.16	
Employee Payroll	06/12/19	105,275.56	
Employee Payroll	06/26/19	97,723.42	
			207,722.14
Accounts Payable (KRCD)		309,975.75	309,975.75
	Sub-Total		517,697.89
Ready-Tax Electronic Funds Transfers:			
Employee Tax Deposits	06/05/19		44,869.77
Director's Tax Deposits	06/14/19		1,137.25
Employee Tax Deposits	06/19/19		45,917.00
	TOTAL		<u>609,621.91</u>