

Minutes

KINGS RIVER CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Board of Directors Meeting

Date: February 8, 2022 – Tuesday
Time: 1:30 p.m.
Location: 4886 E. Jensen Avenue, Fresno, CA 93725

DIRECTORS PRESENT

Paul Stanfield, President
Gregory Beberian, Vice President
David Cehrs, Ph.D.
Mark C. McKean (1:32 p.m.)
Chris Kapheim
Ceil W. Howe, Jr. (left at 3:30 p.m.)
Mike Yoshimoto

DIRECTORS ABSENT

OTHERS PRESENT

KRCD Staff
David Merritt
Brian Trevarrow
Charlotte Gallock
Cristel Tufenkjian
Pascoe Bowen
Pawan Niroula
Corey McLaughlin
Binu Brar

Consultants & Others
Steve Haugen (KRWA)
Rick Stone (RHS Consulting, via Zoom)
Joe Hughes (Legal Counsel, via Zoom)

OPENING BUSINESS

1. CONVENE
President Stanfield called the meeting to order at 1:30 p.m.
2. Additions to or Deletions from the Agenda
None.
3. Public Presentations or Comments
None.
4. Approval of Minutes
It was moved by Director Howe, seconded by Director Cehrs, and unanimously carried, that the Minutes of the January 11, 2022 Regular Board Meeting be approved as updated by staff.
(AYES: President Stanfield, Vice-President Beberian, Directors Howe, Cehrs, Kapheim, and Yoshimoto -NOES: None -ABSENT: Director McKean)

REPORTS5. Water Conditions

The Kings River Water Association Water Master, Steve Haugen, reported on water storage on the Kings River System, inflow and outflow at Pine Flat Reservoir, and the available flood control space on the system. Directors' questions were addressed.

6. Weather Modification

Richard Stone reported on the current weather conditions and forecast, and provided information on the ground generators in use during seeding actions. Directors' questions were addressed.

7. Directors' Reports

Director Cehrs commented on observed snow conditions around Grant's Grove, and on his well depth measurements.

8. Business Operations Report (Trevarrow / Merritt)

Brian Trevarrow, with input from David Merritt, provided the Board with a financial position update; the January 2022 Fund Statements; overall District administrative updates and specific updates to questions posed by Directors at the previous meeting; and contracted services updates. Directors' questions were addressed.

It was moved by Director Stanfield, seconded by Director McKean, and unanimously carried that bills in the amount of \$736,890.99, as presented in the schedule of Disbursements and Current Accounts Payable, be approved and ordered paid.

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

9. Water Resources Report (Gallock / Merritt)

Charlotte Gallock, with input from David Merritt, provided the Board with an update on matters related to the Kings River Water Quality Coalition; Kings Water Alliance; Sustainable Groundwater Management Act; Environmental/Fisheries Management; and the Water Resources Committee meeting held in January. Directors' questions were addressed.

10. Flood Operations & Maintenance Report (Gallock / Merritt)

Charlotte Gallock, with input from Manager of Flood Operations and Maintenance Pascoe Bowen and David Merritt, provided the Board with an update on activities along the Kings River levee system and planned channel improvements.

11. Power Resources Report (Niroula / Gallock / Merritt)

Pawan Niroula, with input from David Merritt as needed, provided the Board with an update on Pine Flat operations and maintenance activities, FERC renewal updates, and Unit 4 updates.

12. External Affairs and Legislative Matters (Tufenkjian / Merritt)

Cristel Tufenkjian, with input from David Merritt as needed, provided the Board with an update on External Affairs activities and legislative/advocacy matters.

13. General Manager's Report (Merritt)

David Merritt provided the Board with an update regarding the potential for taking on the management of Zalda Reclamation District No. 801, organizational improvement activities, and other items of import to the Board that were not already covered in other reports.

ACTION ITEMS

14. Closed Session (2:30 p.m.)

The Board adjourned to Closed Session at 2:30 p.m. pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.9(d)(2), to confer with legal counsel regarding one matter of anticipated litigation.

15. Return to Open Session / Report Action

The Board returned to Open Session at 2:50 p.m. No reportable action was taken in Closed Session.

16. Next Meeting Date and Agenda Items (David Merritt)

Next regular meeting is 1:30 p.m. on March 8, 2022 at the District Office.

ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, President Stanfield adjourned the meeting at 3:58 p.m.

Board Secretary

Board President

Approved on _____, 2022