

**SIERRA VALLEY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
GOLDEN WEST RESTAURANT, LOYALTON, CA
Monday, May 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.**

In accordance with the Governor's Executive Order pertaining to the convening of public meetings in response to COVID-19, the Board of Directors will hold meetings with the public via teleconference.

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Meeting ID: 952 3963 7718

Board of Directors
Einen Grandi, Chairman
Don Wallace, Vice-Chair
Dave Goicoechea, Director
Kevin Goss, Director
Greg Ramelli, Director
Jim Roberti, Director
Paul Roen, Director

MINUTES

1) CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

Director Grandi called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM

Directors present: Grandi, Roberti, Goicoechea, Roen, Wallace; Ramelli present via Zoom

Directors absent: Goss

Also present: In person: Tracey Ferguson and Jay Huebert. Via Zoom: Kevin McInerney, Kristi Jamason, Tania Carlone, Jerry Sipe, Stephen Carlton, Sarah Raker, Debbie Spangler, Greg Hinds, and Michael Gardner.

2) PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY – limited to 5 minutes per speaker

At this time, members of the public may comment on any item not appearing on the agenda. Under state law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon by the Sierra Valley Groundwater Management District Board of Directors at this time.

There was no public comment.

3) REPORTS

A. Meter Technician Report - Jay Huebert

1. Flow Meter Standardization

Huebert provided the monitoring well measurements from early May, which show water levels have risen in the past month. He will be taking measurements and pictures of the flow meters and then report to the Board next month on which meters need to be modified based on McCrometer's meter requirements. Huebert also shared that the meter for Maddalena Holdings has been ordered.

B. SGMA Statewide Updates – Debbie Spangler

The State budget is looking poor, but at this time grants are not being cut.

C. Technical Support Services – Debbie Spangler

The TSS application has been submitted for a second monitoring well for the District. The DWR application review process begins this week. Director Roberti will call the D&S Ranch landowners to discuss possible locations.

D. GSP Grant Award – Debbie Spangler

The grant agreement has been executed between the District and DWR. The District should be keeping track of reimbursable GSP work, such as Huebert's work surveying flow meter configurations.

4) DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

A. Plumas/Sierra County Well Permit Application Review (if any)

There were no new well applications.

B. Rockridge, Inc. Variance Request

Kevin McInerney, president of Rockridge, Inc., submitted a variance request to the Board for his large-capacity well that is functioning in a small-capacity well manner. The well has a small cap on it and water is delivered by a 2" PVC line which reduces its pumping capacity to below 99 gallons per minute.

Director Roberti made a motion to approve the Rockridge Inc. variance request to not require this well to have a District meter or pay the annual large-capacity meter fee, Director Wallace 2nd, motion passed, all in favor.

C. Unpaid Large-Capacity Well Management Charges

Large-capacity well management fees were due February 1, 2020. The ARP Loyaltan Cogen has not paid and the clerk has received case documentation of their Chapter 7 bankruptcy. Director Goicoechea recommends taking no action to remove the meters since it is now under new ownership. Grandi will contact the new owner to discuss the unpaid fee.

D. Resolution 20-01 – Setting a Date for a Public Hearing re: Management Charge

Director Goicoechea made a motion to approve Resolution 20-01, Director Roen 2nd, motion passed, all in favor.

E. GSP Concept Document and Other Activities– Greg Hinds

Greg Hinds shared that he will review the draft Concept Document with the GSP team on their next call. He will then present the final deliverable to the Board once in-person meetings resume.

F. SVGMD Purchasing Policy

1. Resolution 20-03

Tracey Ferguson worked with Sean Cameron (associate attorney of Prentice Long, PC) to create a Purchasing Policy for the SVGMD, which is a requirement under the GSP grant agreement and will be an attachment to the Request for Proposal (RFP). The language is largely based on Sierra County's and Plumas County's purchasing policies. The draft was reviewed by the RFP team, including Directors Grandi and Roberti.

Director Roen made a motion to approve Resolution 20-03, Director Ramelli 2nd, motion passed, all in favor.

G. SGMA Implementation Request for Proposals (RFP)

1. SVGMD Professional Service Agreement

The SVGMD's GSP Request for Proposal and Professional Service Agreement will be posted to the District website on Friday, May 22. Any questions regarding the RFP can be submitted to the Board clerk by June 5 and responses will be posted to the District's website on June 12. The RFP submission deadline is June 26 and the top three candidates will be interviewed by the RFP evaluation panel in mid-July.

Director Goicoechea made a motion to approve the SVGMD RFP and Professional Service Agreement, Director Roen 2nd, motion passed, all in favor.

5) CORRESPONDENCE LOG

6) CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the Consent Calendar shall be considered routine and will be enacted by one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member requests that specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Any item removed from the consent calendar will be considered after the regular business items.

A. Approval of The Minutes as Read/Distributed For 4/20/20

B. Accept finance report/cash balance for May

C. Approve payment of bills

Director Roen made a motion to accept the consent calendar, Director Ramelli 2nd, motion passed, all in favor.

7) ADJOURNMENT

Chairman Grandi adjourned the meeting at 7:33 PM.