

**SIERRA VALLEY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING**

**Loyalton Social Hall – Loyalton, CA**

**Monday, March 9, 2015**

**6PM**

**MINUTES**

**1) CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS**

Chairman Genasci called the meeting to order at 6:05 PM. Directors present: Swofford, Roen, Ramelli, Roberti. Directors absent: Wallace  
Also present: Dave Goicoechea, Jay Hubert

**2) PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comment from the public in attendance

**3) READING & APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES FOR 02/09/2015**

The secretary was asked to change the 1st paragraph 6<sup>th</sup> sentence to read as follows: *“The data shows that some of the wells have dropped 30 feet from the 2014 pumping season before the recharge”*. Director Ramelli made a motion to approve, Director Roen 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed, all in favor. Minutes approved, as amended.

**4) DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS**

*ORDINANCE 15-01 to set management fees for the next fiscal year* – Director Roberti made a motion to approve, Director Swofford 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed, all in favor. An Open Public Hearing is set for April 13, 2015 before the regular Board of Directors meeting to invite comments from the public to consider the enactment of a management charge for fiscal year 2015-2016. At the close of the Open Public Hearing move to adopt Resolution 15-01 establishing a management charge for fiscal year 2015-2016.

Director Roen made a motion to take the agenda out of order to accommodate time for Jay Hubert’s presentation. Director Ramelli 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed, all in favor.

*2011, 2012, 2013, 2014 well data logs*- Jay Hubert passed out the wells data logs for the mentioned years. It was stated that by April 1st, the data will show more significant recharge. All wells are continuing on a downward trend of 2 to 3 feet from the 2011 season. This is a 3% to 5% recharge over the last 4 years, throughout the District. The Directors would like for the data logs to show more information, describing each meter with GPS locations associated with the ranch name. Jay will need to communicate with Ken Schmidt regarding the discrepancy called out in the 2012-2014 draft maps. Initially this communication will be by phone, however, a possible face-to-face between Jay and Ken might be necessary to finalize the report. The main contention is that Ken Schmidt’s draft data is showing very high numbers associated with some of the meters. Director Roen suggested that a GIS map be made for the entire District. Follow-up at the next meeting.

The secretary informed the Directors that CA DWR (State of California Department of Water Resources) will be collecting spring 2015 groundwater level measurements on March 23, 2015 for CASGEM (California Statewide Groundwater Elevation Monitoring). The contact person for this project is John Mulder.

*Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA)/SVGMD Management Plan* – The secretary passed out documents regarding groundwater management districts in California with current groundwater management plans. Chairman Genasci expressed concern over the probability that the SVGMD might become a reservoir for the State based on language contained in the SGMA.

Director Roen commented that both Sierra & Plumas Counties are currently working on a draft General Plan that will address a groundwater management plan for the SVGMD.

The secretary was asked to contact Burkhard Bohm regarding the Upper Middle Fork Feather River Project and invite him to the next meeting.

*Sierra Group BJ Pearson* – no new updates, carried over to next meeting.

*Technical Report 2012-2014 estimate of cost* – The secretary told the Directors that it will be \$2,200.00 in additional costs to finalize the 2012-2014 Technical Report that will include the latest well data log information. Director Roberti made a motion to approve this amount and go forward with the final draft, Director Roen 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed, all in favor. The final draft will clarify the previous draft maps for the pumping seasons.

*New Director Position* – Director Roberti is now officially the appointed County of Plumas Director for the SVGMD. The Director-at-Large position is currently vacant. The secretary was asked to officially declare this position open by checking with protocols mandated by the clerk's office in County of Plumas.

*SVGMD website updates* –the secretary informed the Directors of updates to the SVGMD website and will continue to monitor any new information to be uploaded.

**5) CORRESPONDENCE**

Forwarded via email/fax.

**6) CASH BALANCE & BILLS TO BE PAID**

The cash balance is \$10,754.68

Bills to be paid are:

Dragon Fly Website (annual fee)	\$100.00
Technoflo (meter repair)	\$721.30
Ken Schmidt	\$2,200.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3021.30</b>

Director Swofford made a motion to approve this amount, Director Ramelli 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed, all in favor.

The secretary was asked to bring the invoices to all meetings and have them signed by Chairman Genasci, after approval, on-going.

**7) SET AGENDA ITEMS FOR NEXT MEETING ON 4/13/2014**

- Open Public Hearing to invite comments from the public to consider the enactment of a management charge for fiscal year 2015-2016.
- Move to adopt Resolution 15-01 establishing a management charge for fiscal year 2015-20161 Burkhard Bohm & Upper Middle Fork Feather River Project
  - Meter updates
  - Vacant position for SVGMD Director-at-Large
  - SVGMD Management Plan/Sierra & Plumas General Plan
  - Sierra Group (BJ Pearson) updates
  - Technical Report 2012-2014
  - 700 forms

Juliana Walsh, Secretary