

**SIERRA VALLEY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT  
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING  
GOLDEN WEST RESTAURANT, LOYALTON, CA  
Monday, November 18, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.**

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 Roen called the meeting to order at 6:08 PM

Directors present: Roen, Roberti, Goicoechea, Ramelli

Directors absent: Wallace, Goss, Grandi

Also present: Tania Carlone, Debbie Spangler, Tracey Ferguson, James Swann, Jay Huebert, Greg Hinds and Burkhard Bohm.

**2) PUBLIC HEARING**

**Adoption of an Ordinance Enacting a Management Charge for Fiscal Year 2019-2020**

*The Board of Directors will hear comments from the public regarding SVGMD's proposed ordinance to fix a large capacity well management charge for the fiscal year 2019-2020 for the purpose of paying the costs of initiating, carrying on, and completing all of the powers, projects, and purposes for which the District is organized, fixed at \$200.00 per well per year.*

Director Roen opened the hearing at 6:09 p.m.

James Swann inquired whether the charge amount has increased from previous years and if the charge is based on pumping capacity.

The hearing was closed at 6:12 p.m.

**3) 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.

**4) REPORTS**

**A. Meter Technician Report - Jay Huebert**

Huebert provided two well elevation reports to the Directors. The readings from all of the monitoring wells at the beginning of this month show rising water levels, other than MW4, which typically rises later in the winter. MW5 is full of water and is flowing like an artesian well, which he has not seen before. He will contact the previous meter technician to see if he ever experienced that during his time with the District.

Huebert will be sending three meters to Technoflo for repair: Roberti's 10" meter, Green Gulch 12" meter, and the ARP Cogen's 4" meter.

Let the minutes note Chairman Grandi entered the meeting at 6:16 p.m.

**B. GSP Planning Grant – Tania Carlone**

The Planning Grant deadline was extended from November 1 to November 15 due to the California power outages. The District's application was submitted on November 8. Several members of the GSP team did a mock scoring of the draft application and Phil Bachand was able to make final edits using their feedback.

**C. SGMA Statewide Updates – Debbie Spangler**

Spangler had no new SGMA updates other than the filing deadline for grant applications has closed and that the SVGMD successfully submitted their application.

**D. Technical Support Services – Debbie Spangler**

Spangler shared that the well is constructed and they are in the final stages of the project.

**E. Facilitation Support Services – Debbie Spangler**

The application is being worked on and will be submitted soon. The intention of this FSS application is to extend Carlone’s contract until the District can use funds from the planning grant to cover the cost.

**5) DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS**

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

Three domestic well applications were approved since the last Board meeting: one in Sierraville and two in Beckwourth.

**B. GSP Concept Document and Other Activities– Greg Hinds**

Hinds reported that he expects to be finished with his work by the end of December when his current contract ends. The Basin Setting section is taking longer than the other sections, and he needs the Directors’ input in the section defining Conjunctive Use processes. His presentation at the public workshop next month will be focused on the Basin Prioritization Results and Sustainable Management Criteria.

**C. Stakeholder Communications and Engagement Plan – Tania Carlone**

Carlone shared that the input from the Directors at last month’s board meeting is reflected in the new Stakeholder Communications and Engagement Plan draft. It has been simplified, streamlined, and clarified that the District will be informing and consulting with the public during this process. The Directors have been asked to review Table 1, as it is very important to make sure all stakeholders have been identified.

**D. Public Workshop Draft Agenda – Tania Carlone**

Carlone reviewed the draft agenda with the Directors for the public workshop scheduled for December 3. At the direction of the Board, the workshop presentations will include: SGMA’s background, basin prioritization results, sustainable management criteria, Sierra Valley Basin groundwater conditions, the Groundwater Sustainability Planning Grant, and stakeholder participation opportunities. Chairman Grandi, Tania Carlone, Greg Hinds, and Kristi Jamason will be the presenters.

**6) CORRESPONDENCE LOG**

There was no new correspondence.

**7) 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 10/21/19**

**B. Accept finance report/cash balance for November**

**C. Approve payment of bills**

Director Ramelli made a motion to accept the consent calendar, Director Goicoechea 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed, all in favor.

**8) ADJOURNMENT**

Chairman Grandi adjourned the meeting at 8:02 PM.

Jenny Gant, Board Clerk