

Meeting Minutes

March 22, 2018 10:00 a.m.
Regular Board of Directors Meeting
Of the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Cortez Hall
12937 N. Cortez Avenue, Turlock, California

1. CALL TO ORDER AND INTRODUCTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Chairman Al Rossini called the meeting to order at 10:02 am.

Board Members Present: Chair Al Rossini, Walt Ward (Alternate for Vito Chiesa), Hicham ElTal, Lloyd Pareira, and Dirk Ulrich (Alternate Dennis Yotsuya until 10:05 am)

Board Members Absent: None.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no public comments.

3. MINUTES FROM THE SEPTEMBER 28, 2017 AND DECEMBER 14, 2017 MEETINGS

Member Walt Ward moved, seconded by Associate Member Dennis Yotsuya to approve the minutes from the January 25, 2018 board meeting. **The motion passed unanimously.**

4. ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

- i. Member Walt Ward moved, seconded by Member Dirk Ulrich to accept the Treasury Report and approve the payment of the March 2018 bills as presented. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- ii. Member Walt Ward moved, seconded by Member Dirk Ulrich to adopt Resolution 2018-01 to enter into an agreement with various other agencies entitled "Joint Powers Agreement: Creating the Association of California Water (ACWA) Agencies Joint Powers Insurance Authority", for the purpose of participating in the Joint Powers Insurance Authority, and authorize the board chair to sign the ACWA's Joint Powers Insurance Authority agreement. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- iii. Member Dirk Ulrich moved, seconded by Member Walt Ward to approve contracting with KSJG Accounting Consulting to perform the partial 2016-2017 fiscal year and full 2017-2018 fiscal year audit for a cost not to exceed twelve thousand dollars (\$12,000.00). **The motion passed unanimously.**
- iv. Member Walt Ward moved, seconded by Member Dirk Ulrich to adopt the 2018-2019 East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency budget. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- v. There was discussion to consider hiring in the future a General Manager to manage the agency's day-to-day activities on a contract basis. The discussion included the possibility of sharing this position with the Eastside Water District.
- vi. Member Walt Ward moved, seconded by Member Hicham ElTal to approve a Letter of Agreement to Todd Groundwater to maintain confidentiality of information for the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency. **The motion passed unanimously.**
- vii. The board secretary stated completed Form 700s are due to her by March 28. **For information only.**

5. INTER-BASIN COORDINATION EFFORTS

Kevin Kauffman gave a report regarding the planning of an inter-basin coordination meeting between the Merced and Turlock subbasins.

6. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Lauren Layne gave an update on current legislation and that at this time there was nothing to report specific to GSAs. She did report that legislation now requires special districts to have a website.

7. TECHNICAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

Kevin Kauffman gave a brief update on work by the Technical Advisory Committee (TAC).

8. OTHER NEW OR OLD BUSINESS

Kevin Kauffman reported that a public workshop for the Turlock Subbasin is scheduled April 18 from 6 pm to 8 pm in Ceres.

9. COMMENTS FROM THE BOARD

Board Members may provide a brief report on notable topics of interest. The Brown Act does not allow discussion or action by the Legislative Body. There were no comments,

There were no were no comments from the board.

10. ADJOURNMENT

Member Hicham ElTal moved to adjourn the March 22, 2018 meeting at 11:18 am.

I hereby certify that this is a full and correct copy of the minutes of the Board of Directors of the East Turlock Subbasin Groundwater Sustainability Agency of Merced and Stanislaus Counties, California.

March 22, 2018

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