

JAMES GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

BOARD OF DIRECTORS - REGULAR MEETING

MINUTES January 19, 2023

ATTENDANCE

DIRECTORS PRESENT:

- JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Wm. Cory Carvalho, President
Robert Motte
Salvador Parra, Jr.
Manny Amorelli, Executive Director

LANDOWNERS/GROWERS:

- Andrew Groppetti

PUBLIC/CONSULTANTS PRESENT:

- JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Walter Flores, Office Manager
Melissa Benner, Clerk

DIRECTORS EXCUSED:

- JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT
Micah Combs, Vice-President

DIRECTORS ABSENT:

None

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors of the JAMES GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY ("James GSA") was held Thursday, January 19, 2023, in the Agency office located at 8749 Ninth Street, San Joaquin, California. The meeting was called to order at 9:06 a.m., by President, Wm. Cory Carvalho. A quorum was at all times present and acting.

Members of the public were encouraged to access the meeting via internet/Zoom or by utilizing the call-in number to allow them to fully participate in the meeting without having to be present.

II. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING REMOTE TELECONFERENCE MEETINGS UNDER AB361

As all Board members were present, there was no need to approve this Resolution. In the future, should Board members attend remotely, a Resolution will be presented for adoption. NO ACTION WAS TAKEN.

III. OTHER BUSINESS / PUBLIC COMMENTS

A. PUBLIC COMMENTS
None.

B. ADDITIONS / CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA
There were no corrections/additions to the Agenda.

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- C. POTENTIAL CONFLICTS OF INTEREST (FPPC §87105)
Directors were given an opportunity to identify a potential conflict-of-interest with items appearing on the Agenda; none were reported.
- D. REORGANIZATION: ELECTION OF OFFICERS
1. Conduct elections for President, Vice-President
M/S/C (S. PARRA /R.MOTTE), to POSTPONE the above matter until the next Board Meeting.
AYES: 4 (S.Parra, R.Motte, W.Carvalho, M.Amorelli)
EXCUSED: 1 (M.Combs)
- E. AGENCY APPOINTMENTS
1. James Groundwater Sustainability Agency - Executive Director
2. Kings River GSA Coordination Group - Primary representative
M/S/C (S. PARRA /R.MOTTE), to POSTPONE the above matters until the next Board Meeting.
AYES: 4 (S.Parra, R.Motte, W.Carvalho, M.Amorelli)
EXCUSED: 1 (M.Combs)

IV. MINUTES

- A. REGULAR MEETING: OCTOBER 27, 2022
- B. SPECIAL MEETING: DECEMBER 15, 2022
M/S/C (R.MOTTE /S.PARRA), to APPROVE as drafted.
AYES: 4 (R.Motte, S.Parra, W.Carvalho, M.Amorelli)
EXCUSED: 1 (M.Combs)

V. FINANCIAL REPORTS

In accordance with Water Code §24273, reports were presented by Mr. Amorelli as follows:

- A. ACCOUNTS PAYABLE
None reported.
- B. INTERIM WARRANTS: OCTOBER 28, 2022-JANUARY 19, 2023 (Att.1)
M/S/C (R.MOTTE /S.PARRA), to RATIFY/APPROVE Interim Warrants (bills paid) totaling \$5,320.87
PASSED by the following vote:
AYES: 4 (R.Motte, S.Parra, W.Carvalho, M.Amorelli)
EXCUSED: 1 (M.Combs)
- C. CASH POSITION REPORT: DECEMBER 31, 2022
- D. INCOME STATEMENT (BUDGET-TO-ACTUAL) PERIOD ENDING: DECEMBER 31, 2022
- E. QUARTERLY REPORT OF INVESTMENTS-PERIOD ENDING: DECEMBER 31, 2022

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VI. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Mr. Amorelli discussed the progress on the monitoring well to be drilled based on the James GSP. Bids were being finalized and drilling is set to begin in late spring depending on hydrology.

VII. DIRECTOR'S REPORTS (Gov.Code 53232.3)

None were presented.

VIII. REPORT ITEMS

None reported.

IX. ACTION ITEMS

A. INVESTMENT POLICY (Att.2)

B. RESERVE POLICY (Att.3)

M/S/C (S. PARRA / R.MOTTE), to RE-APPROVE INVESTMENT POLICY AS INITIALLY ADOPTED UNDER RESOLUTION 2019-04 ON JANUARY 17, 2019 AND LAST REVIEWED/APPROVED JANUARY 21, 2021 (no change) and the RESERVE POLICY AS INITIALLY ADOPTED UNDER RESOLUTION 2019-05 ON JANUARY 17, 2019 AND LAST REVIEWED/APPROVED JANUARY 21, 2021 (no change).

AYES: 4 (S.Parra, R.Motte, W.Carvalho, M.Amorelli)

EXCUSED: 1 (M.Combs)

C. FISCAL BUDGET: MARCH 1, 2023-FEBRUARY 29, 2024 (Att.4)

M/S/C (R.MOTTE / S.PARRA), to APPROVE THE 2023-2024 FISCAL BUDGET as presented.

AYES: 4 (R.Motte, S.Parra, W.Carvalho, M.Amorelli)

EXCUSED: 1 (M.Combs)

D. REORGANIZATION OF DIRECTORS

M/S/C (R.MOTTE / S.PARRA), AGREED to POSTPONE reorganization (election of officers) until next Board meeting.

AYES: 4 (R.Motte, S.Parra, W.Carvalho, M.Amorelli)

EXCUSED: 1 (M.Combs)

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ALTHOUGH THE FOLLOWING CLOSED SESSION ITEMS WAS LISTED ON THE AGENDA, MR. AMORELLI INDICATED THERE WAS NOT AN IMMEDIATE NEED TO DISCUSS THE MATTER AT THIS TIME.

X. CLOSED SESSION: GOVERNMENT CODE §54956.9 - CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL-ANTICIPATED LITIGATION

A. SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION PURSUANT TO PARAGRAPH (2) OR (3) OF SUBDIVISION (D):

2 CASES

XI. REPORT ON ANY ACTION TAKEN DURING CLOSED SESSION (Gov.Code §54957.1)

Closed Session was not held.

XII. ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Board, M/S/C (R.MOTTE / S.PARRA), to ADJOURN the meeting at 9:21 a.m., until the next Regular Meeting scheduled for Thursday, April 20, 2023.

AYES: 4 (R.Motte, S.Parra, W.Carvalho, M.Amorelli)

EXCUSED: 1 (M.Combs)

RECORDED BY:

APPROVED BY:

Walter Flores, Office Manager
JAMES IRRIGATION DISTRICT

Wm. Cory Carvalho, President
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Manny Amorelli, Executive Director
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ATTACHMENTS:

1. Interim Warrants: October 28, 2022-January 19, 2023, \$5,320.87
2. Resolution 2019-04 Re-Approving Investment Policy, Re-approved January 19, 2023
3. Resolution 2019-05 Reserve Policy, Re-approved January 19, 2023
4. Fiscal Budget: March 1,2023-February 29, 2024, Approved January 19, 2023