

JPA Board Meeting Minutes
Kern Groundwater Authority

Wednesday, September 22, 2021, at 8:00 a.m.
Participation by Teleconference/ZOOM

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES AND ALTERNATES PRESENT

Rafael Gallardo, Arvin Community Services District
Derek Yurosek, Arvin-Edison WSD
John Gaugel, Cawelo WD
Chad Givens, City of Shafter
Royce Fast, Kern County Water Agency
Andrew Pandol, Kern-Tulare WD
Kim Brown, Kern Water Bank Authority
Kevin Andrew, North Kern Water Storage District
Gary Unruh, Rosedale-Rio Bravo WSD
Dan Waterhouse, Semitropic WSD
Brandon Morris, Southern San Joaquin MUD
Randy Bloemhof, Shafter-Wasco ID
Gary Morris, West Kern WD
Rob Goff, Westside District Water Authority
Michael Blaine, Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD

JPA DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVES ABSENT

Chad Hathway, Eastside Water Management Area (non-voting member)
Mark Valpredo, Tejon-Castac WD

OTHERS PRESENT/PARTICIPATING

Valerie Kincaid, O'Laughlin Paris, LLC
Patty Poire, Kern Groundwater Authority

1. **Roll Call – Quorum Determination** – Chairman Waterhouse called meeting to order at 8:01 a.m. after it was confirmed there was a quorum. The Board met the threshold for a quorum under the JPA and operated under it.
2. **Flag Salute** – Completed
3. **Public Comments** - None
3. **Approval of Minutes**
 - a. July Regular Board Meeting Minutes.

A motion was made by Director Pandol and seconded by Director Unruh to approve the July 22, 2021, Regular Board Meeting Minutes with correction to language for Agenda Item 6. The motion was unanimously carried.

4. **Treasurer's Report**

- a. **Presentation & Adoption of the 2020 Audit -Barbich, Hooper, King** – Geoff King presented the 2020 Audit for Adoption. Correction was noted on page 11 to properly name Westside Water District. A motion was made by Director Andrew and seconded by Director Blaine to approve the 2020 Audit after correction to page 11. The motion was unanimously carried.
- b. **Financial Report & Accounts Payable – August** – Mrs. Duarosan asked the board to ratify the Treasurer's Report as presented and authorize disbursement of \$36,747.90 for the month of July as detailed on Exhibit E. It was reported in Exhibit A from July 1, 2021, thru July 31, 2021, that the beginning cash balance was \$140,701.93 with no deposits received for July and ending cash balance was \$70,964.36. Exhibit B reflected accounts receivable payment received totaling \$434 thru July 31, 2021. A motion was made by Director Fast and seconded by Director Brandon Morris to approve the treasurer's report and proceed with payments for July 2021. The motion was unanimously carried.
- c. **Financial Report & Accounts Payable – September** – Mrs. Duarosan asked the board to approve the Treasurer's Report as presented and authorize disbursement of \$32,964.13 for the month of August as detailed on Exhibit C. It was reported in Exhibit A from August 1, 2021, thru August 31, 2021, that the beginning cash balance was \$70,964.36 with \$434.00 cash deposits received for August and ending cash balance was \$34,650.46. . A motion was made by Director Unruh and seconded by Director Gaugel to approve the treasurer's report and proceed with payments for August 2021. The motion was unanimously carried.

5. **Attorney's Report**

- a. **Report on the Curtailments** - Ms. Kincaid reported that curtailment of groundwater extractions in Delta and Deer Creek is on the State Water Board agenda to be approved and it is reported curtailment of groundwater and extractions in Scott and Shasta Rivers have not been challenged. Whitepaper on Sacramento -San Joaquin Delta Watershed Curtailment are provided for reference. Ms. Kincaid also presented concerns for impacts on local reservoir's due to proposed regulations.

6. **Executive Director Report**

- a. **Discussion & Approval for 2021 Cash Call – Second Installment** – Mrs. Poire presented 2021 Cash Call – Second Installment for approval. A motion was made

by Director Brown and seconded by Director Pandol to approve the Second Installment of the 2021 Cash Call.

- b. **Discussion and direction on Native Yield Study Proposal for adoption in October** – Ms. Poire presented draft Native Yield Study Proposal and asked for direction regarding moving forward with final version for adoption in October. The board agrees to move forward with finalizing proposal.
 - c. **Update on the Data Management System** – Ms. Poire logged into the Data Management System and presented how to move through the software accessing well information. Ms. Poire demonstrates accessing the data available and explains the usefulness of the data would be to individuals. Ms. Poire reported that half the budget has be spent to bring us to this point. The system continues to be improved and will have more data available in the future.
 - d. **Accomplishments** –Ms. Poire referred the Board to the memo regarding Accomplishments and Forward Work Plan in the board package.
 - e. **Forward Work Plan** – Ms. Poire referred the Board to the memo regarding Forward Work Plan in the board package.
7. **New Business** – None
 8. **Correspondence** – Accepted and filed
 9. **Closed Session** – Entered into closed session at 8:45 a.m. No action taken.
 10. **Adjournment** – 9:34 a.m.