

**MINUTES OF THE
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
BEDFORD-COLDWATER
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AUTHORITY**

November 7, 2019

Board Present

Paul Rodriguez, TVWD
Phil Williams, EVMWD
Jacque Casillas, City of Corona

Staff Present

Jeff Pape, TVWD
Tom Moody, City of Corona
Margie Armstrong, EVMWD
Greg Thomas, EVMWD
Parag Kalaria, EVMWD
Christy Gonzalez, EVMWD
Terese Quintanar, EVMWD
Victor Harris, Stantec
Kelly Shugart, Stantec
Colin O'Neill, Olivarez Madruga Lemieux O'Neill, LLP

Others Present

Mike Buckantz, Associates Environmental

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting of the Bedford-Coldwater Groundwater Sustainability Authority was held at its principal offices located at 22646 Temescal Canyon Road, Temescal Valley, California. The meeting was called to order by Chairman Rodriguez at 4:05 p.m.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.

3. CONSENT CALENDAR

- A. Approval of Minutes of the August 15, 2019 Meeting**
- B. Ratification of Demands**
- C. Financial Statement**

ACTION: Vice-Chairperson Casillas made a motion, Chairman Rodriguez seconded, and the motion carried unanimously to approve the Consent Calendar.

Referencing an invoice from Stantec, Chairman Rodriguez asked for clarity about the role of a staff member under Grant Administration and the number of hours associated with that work. Specifically, if this is indicative of time spent setting up the grant or what would be needed throughout the entire process. Mr. Harris responded that it is the initial set up of the grant, which is tedious and cumbersome. Initial work included quite a bit of review and amendments. There is a protocol in place now.

4. ADMINISTRATOR'S UPDATE

Mr. Harris reported that they had been working in four general areas. SharePoint document management and website updates are ongoing. Todd Groundwater Engineers are working to develop documents to go into the GSP, and there are two so far that have been distributed to staff for comments. A lot of time has also been dedicated to grant administration. The fourth area of focus is the stakeholder meeting and contacting stakeholders to relay information. He will continue to work with Todd Groundwater on the GSP, and portions of that are also being prepared by Stantec staff.

Vice-Chairperson Casillas asked for more details regarding stakeholders' engagement. Mr. Harris answered that the stakeholders list came from a grant package and staff reviewed it to make sure it was complete. Invitation letters were e-mailed, and phone calls were made to follow up and make sure the e-mails were received. The Forest Service contacted Mr. Harris to relay they could not attend due to a conflict. Jeff Pape added that the State likes to see a standard list including the planning agencies, county, and various districts in the area. There are a lot of small wells in the Weirick area and a few here in the Temescal Valley. A few larger wells are used by mining operations and those were also contacted and invited. Glen Ivy Spa has two wells and the Glen Ivy Golf Course has three wells. The Golf Course's owner Sunny Hwang was invited and plans to have a representative attend. The Deleo's, who have wells in the Bedford Basin have been invited. He opined that he believes all of the individuals who would have concerns about the Sustainability Plan were contacted. Mr. Harris added that the Nature Conservancy is interested in eco systems across the state but would likely not attend due to being short staffed. Shelli Lamb and Kerwin Russell representing the Riverside Corona Resource Conservation District have land in the Temescal Wash itself and asked to be kept up to date, so information will be sent to her after the meeting. Tom Moody reported that a few engineering firms have reached out that provide support of the mining operations and indicated that they may attend tonight.

Chairman Rodriguez commented regarding requirements of GSP, regarding number of stakeholder meetings and their specific milestones. Mr. Harris responded that a meeting is required when we create a GSP, before we publish the draft. Typically, most GSAs involve three meetings, and that is our plan also. In the future, preliminary decisions or actions that may be presented, and there will be a presentation of the draft GSP also. Chairman Rodriguez urged for continued efforts for transparency, diligence and vigilance in setting up the meetings, gathering information, soliciting and reaching out to the stakeholders. Mr. Pape mentioned that there is a very involved group of people who

attend the Temescal Valley Water District meetings, which are provided an update on the GSP at that time.

5. LEGAL COUNSEL REPORT

Colin O'Neill had nothing to report.

6. COMMENTS OF THE BOARD

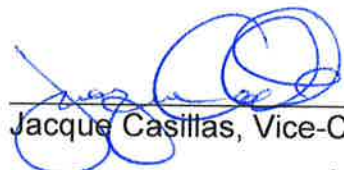
Vice-Chairperson Casillas relayed appreciation for the links to the SharePoint site.

7. ADJOURN


There being no further business, the November 7, 2019 Special meeting of the Bedford-Coldwater Groundwater Sustainability Authority was adjourned at 4:23 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:



Jacquie Casillas, Vice-Chairperson



Paul Rodriguez, Chairman

Date: 2/20/20

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