

Omochumne-Hartnell Water District

Board Meeting March 19, 2019 @ 10:00 AM

Call to Order: 10:07 am

1. Introductions
2. Determine if quorum is present
 - a. Directors Leland Schneider, Mark Stretars, Mark Wilson, and Ken Mitchell were present.

Public comments – Ms. Pecci brought a copy of the Special District’s Associated to share with the Board.

Action Items:

1. Consent Items: a.b.c. i.ii. Review and approve agenda: A motion to approve Agenda for the Regular Board Meeting of March 19, 2019, by Mr. Mitchell, second by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed. 4/0/0
The Minutes from the Board Meeting of February 19, 2019 were reviewed. Review of all balances, budget versus actual, and accounts payable. Mr. Wackman reviewed deposit paid to Golden State Irrigation in the amount of \$50,000 to start work under approved contract. The Budget vs. Actual Statement showing the OHWD Groundwater Recharge Project. A motion to file and accept the Meeting Minutes, and to receive and file the monthly financial statement, made by Mr. Mitchell, second by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed. 4/0/0
2. SGMA Compliance:
 - a. Sacramento Valley – South American Groundwater Sub Basin (5-21.65)
 - i. Presentation on bilateral talks OHWD & SCGA by John Lowrie of Sacramento Water Forum. Comments from the Board of Directors were addresses. Concerns about alternative and what happens if it passes. The District expressed concerns if they were not involved in the Alternative Plan and questioned the future decision-making efforts if they were removed. Detailed questions regarding the percentage of stake involved were addressed. Public comments were taken, which included working group concepts, and making sure that ag residential land owners and tribes were included in the conversation.
 - b. San Joaquin Valley- Cosumnes Groundwater Sub Basin (5-22.16)
 - i. Working Group Meeting update - The Cosumnes Working group is working through modeling coordination with the different agencies in the region. EKI and Woodward and Curran (Regional Water Authority consultant) met to develop a strategy to coordinate the Cosumnes Basin modeling with the modeling being developed by RWA. The concept is that the Cosumnes Basin will work with RWA and take assessments at different points along the development of the model to determine if the working group wants to continue with the joint efforts, or develop a separate model.
 - ii. Communication with land owners – OHWD received about 20 surveys back from land owners. Feedback given varied in response.
3. Groundwater recharge project -
 - a. Monitoring Wells – All four wells have been completed. Monitoring equipment will be installed in the next coming month.
 - b. Construction Status- SAFCA approve the MOU. Both Supervisor Nattoli and the

Chairman of SAFCA spoke favorably about the project. The MOU has been properly executed. Golden State Irrigation Contract has been executed. Pipe has been ordered, and the digging for the pipeline has commenced.

4. Dam Repairs
 - a. Bloggett dam – Pictures have shown that the river has eroded the area around dam. Cost benefit of repairing the dam were discussed. General Manager Wackman will meet with an engineer before the next scheduled board meeting, and directors will contact RD 800 for possible actions to be taken in conjunction with RD 800 to repair the facility.
5. Financial planning
 - a. Acceptance of Audit - A review of the audit performed by Robert L. Johnson for the years ending June 2017/18. A motion to accept and file the District's financial audit for the years ending June 2017/18 made by Mr. Mitchell, second by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed 4/0
 - i. Subcommittee – The financial committee met on March 13, 2019. Budget review and possibly budgets for the upcoming financial year were looked at. Additional conversation regarding the need to budget additional funds for Dam Repairs were discussed.
6. SSCAWA -
 - a. Cosumnes Flow Augmentation Project- Project discussion and delays due to the Bureau of Reclamation's concerns about how and where the water will be used. Working with Cosumnes Coalition, SMUD, and the Bureau of Reclamation to resolve issues.
 - b. Participation level in Authority – Currently OHWD contributes about \$15,000 to SSCAWA. Concerns among agencies with current and upcoming costs of SGMA and how to fund SSCAWA. There is still a desire to maintain SSCAWA for joint projects and administration of future programs.

Informational items:

1. Received communications – Communications received on the table.
2. Water Coordinator's Report –River has been running great.
3. ACWA activity – No report at this time

General Managers Report:

1. Meetings and Correspondences – No report at this time.

Directors:

1. Comments – No additional comments at this time.
2. Directors meeting attendance report:
Kautz (-), Mitchell (1), Schneider (2), Wilson (1) Stretars (2)

The next regular meeting –**April 16, 2019 at 10 AM**

Adjourn Meeting - **A motion to adjourn the Meeting at 12:05 pm, made by Mr. Wilson, second by Mr. Stretars. Motion passed. 5/0/0.**