

ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE

MINUTES

MONDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2020 6:00 PM

(Paragraph numbers coincide with agenda item numbers)

A regular scheduled meeting of the Environmental and Water Resources Committee (Committee) Meeting was held on October 19, 2020, Teleconference via Zoom in San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Vice Chair Rev. Jeff Moore, II, called the meeting to order at 6:03 p.m. A quorum was established with 14 Members present.

Members in attendance were:

Jurisdiction	Representative	Representative	Representative
District 1	Bonnie Bamburg*	Loren Lewis	Rita Norton
District 2	Charles Ice		
District 3	Hon, Dean Chu*	Rev. Jethroe Moore, II	Charles Taylor
District 4	Susan Blake	John Bourgeois*	Bob Levy
District 5	Hon. Tara Martin-Milius	Mike Michitaka	Marc Rauser
District 6	Hon. Patrick S. Kwok		
District 7	Tess Byler	Steve A. Jordan	Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D.*

Members not in attendance were:

Jurisdiction	Representative	
District 1	Elizabeth Sarmiento	

*Committee Member arrived as indicated below.

Board members in attendance were: Director Tony Estremera, Board Representative Director Nai Hsueh, Board Alternate and Director Linda J. LeZotte, Board, Representative

Staff members in attendance were: Aaron Baker, Lisa Bankosh, Glenna Brambill, Michele King, Carmen Narayanan, Darin Taylor and Kristen Yasukawa.

Guests in attendance were: Directors Barbara Keegan and Richard P. Santos (Valley Water) and Ms. Kit Gordon.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present who wished to speak.

*Ms. Bonnie Bamburg arrived at 6:07 p.m.

*Hon. Dean Chu arrived at 6:08 p.m.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES 3.1 APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Ms. Tess Byler, seconded by Mr. Bob Levy, and by majority roll call vote carried, to approve the January 27, 2020, Environmental and Water Resources Committee meeting minutes as presented. 14 Yes Votes, Ms. Rita Norton abstained and 1 member was temporarily disconnected.

4. ACTION ITEMS:

4.1 FY2020-21 GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION CHARGES AND VALLEY WATER BUDGET UPDATE

Mr. Darin Taylor reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Environmental and Water Resources Committee (Mr. Steve Jordan and Mr. Mike Michitaka) discussed the following: what drove the no increase, impacts, total debt bond amount, depreciation, revenue-debt service, outstanding bond service, investments, gaps and cash accruals.

The Environmental and Water Resources Committee took no action.

4.2 REVVIEW FY2020-21 BOARD WORK PLAN

Ms. Glenna Brambill, Director Nai Hsueh and Director Linda J. LeZotte reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Environmental and Water Resources Committee (Mr. Mike Michitaka,

Mr. Steve Jordan, Ms. Rita Norton, Mr. Bob Levy, and Ms. Tess Byler) discussed the following: climate change's own strategy, population growth, census impact on change in businesses, monitoring homeless encampments, tracking metrics and water storage concerns.

Mr. Aaron Baker, Director Hsueh, and Director LeZotte were available to answer questions.

The Environmental and Water Resources Committee took no action.

4.3 UPDATE FROM WORKING GROUPS

Ms. Glenna Brambill will send the Committee the updated working group list for 2021 so Members can sign up. The new working groups align with the new Board work plan for fiscal year 2020-2021.

The Environmental and Water Resources Committee took no action.

4.4 REVIEW OF ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE WORK PLAN, THE OUTCOMES OF BOARD ACTION OF COMMITTEE REQUESTS AND THE COMMITTEE'S NEXT MEETING AGENDA

Ms. Glenna Brambill. reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

The Environmental and Water Resources Committee discussed virtual meetings, changing the times of the meetings and retaining the Chair and Vice Chair since they have not had a full opportunity to serve because of COVID.

The items will be agendized on the January meeting for discussion and/or action.

The Environmental and Water Resources Committee took no action.

5. CLERK REVIEW AND CLARIFICATION OF COMMITTEE'S REQUESTS TO THE BOARD

Ms. Glenna Brambill reported there were no action items for Board consideration.

6. **REPORTS**

6.1 DIRECTOR'S REPORT None.

* Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D. arrived at 7:13 p.m.

6.2. MANAGER'S REPORT

Ms. Kristen Yasukawa reported on: Grants Program

• Open for FY 2021, volunteers for clean ups, open space, mini grants, wild-life, conservation

Lisa Bankosh reported on: Steelhead trout/rainbow, draw down, daily acre feet

Mr. Aaron Baker was available to answer questions.

6.3 COMMITTEE MEMBER REPORTS

Committee Members that are not returning:

Ms. Rita Norton, Mr. Marc Rauser, and Mr. John Bourgeois {he was missed during this announcement}

They were thanked for their commitment to the committee over the years and will be missed.

Mr. Steve Jordan reported on: Attending the Water Storage Exploratory Committee meetings.

6.4 INFORMATIONAL LINK REPORTS

None.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D. adjourned at 7:34 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Monday, January 25, 2021, at 6:00 p.m.

Submitted by:

Glenna Brambill Board Committee Liaison Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved: 1-25-2021