

SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY (SCGA)

Governing Board Meeting

Final Minutes

July 11, 2007

LOCATION: 10545 Armstrong Avenue, Suite 101
Mather, CA 95670
9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

MINUTES:

1. Call to Order and Roll Call

Chair Scott Fort called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Roll call was taken and the following meeting participants were in attendance:

Board Members (Primary Rep.)

Anthony van Steyn, Agricultural Interests
Stuart Helfand, Agricultural-Residential
Rick Bettis, Conservation Landowners
Edwin Smith, Public Agencies Self-Supplied
Scott Fort, Golden State Water Company

Board Members (Alternate Rep.)

Douglas Gault, City of Elk Grove
Clarence Korhonen, City of Elk Grove
Albert Stricker, City of Rancho Cordova
Mel Johnson, City of Sacramento
Herb Niederberger, County of Sacramento/Sacramento County Water Agency
Leo D. Havener, Jr., Elk Grove Water Service
Ruben Robles, Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District

Staff Members

Darrell Eck, County of Sacramento/Sacramento County Water Agency
Daniel Jones, County of Sacramento/Sacramento County Water Agency
Jose Ramirez, Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District
Michelle Fiorino, Clerk, Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District
Walter Sadler, City of Folsom

2. Public Comment

Chair Fort called for any public comment. No public comment was made.

3. Consent Calendar

The draft meeting minutes for the meeting held on June 13, 2007, were reviewed for final approval.

Motion/Second/Carried – Edwin Smith moved, by a second from Stuart Helfand to approve the minutes.

4. Budget Committee Report and Recommendations

Darrell Eck presented the 2007-2008 Fiscal Year Budget (see corresponding attachment 4).

Motion/Second/Carried – Mel Johnson moved, by a second from Rick Bettis to “Adopt Resolution No. 2007-02 to fund the administrative and program budgets for fiscal year 2007-2008 and provide for the collection of the annual contributions described in the JPA.” as per staff’s recommendations. An individual vote was taken of Board members and the motion passed with all members approving the resolution. The Board approved getting a vote from the City of Folsom via e-mail, as their representative was not in attendance.

5. Central Basin Well Protection Program

Dan Jones provided an update on the Central Basin parcel count. The previous estimate provided to the Board in June was low because of an error in the parcel filter. After adjusting the filter it was determined that there are 12,449 parcels in the Central Basin that are ½ acre and larger. Applying a 1 acre and larger filter resulted in a parcel count of 9,684. Staff indicated that there are certain limitations to what the GIS program can filter. In order for staff to filter out parcels that are served by municipal water purveyors the purveyors need to provide either an address list or a list of assessor parcel numbers for each of their customers. Ruben Robles recommended using SRCSD customer lists. These customers are water purveyor customers, too.

Staff also reported back on progress of coordination between Cities of Elk Grove and Rancho Cordova, and the County of Sacramento. Staff to continue meeting with Cities and County to create a draft agreement for implementing SCGA’s Well Protection Program Ordinance. Staff to meet with City of Folsom to gauge their participation in the Program.

Based on comments made by the Cities of Elk Grove and Rancho Cordova, Herb Niederberger requested staff to check with County Council to see if a zone of the Sacramento County Water Agency could be created that could collect the Well Protection Fee for the Authority.

6. Executive Director’s Report

South Area Water Council: The council met on June 26, 2007 and discussed starting the stakeholder process for the South Basin. This stakeholder group will probably come together sometime after Labor Day. There is an on-going issue with funding to cover the stakeholder process and GMP development costs. The Water Forum is providing technical assistance while SCWA, the Agricultural Water Authority, the City of Galt, Rancho Murieta and TNC are providing some additional funding.

The Nature Conservancy is providing money from Proposition 50 to fund a reservoir re-operation study (economic optimization analysis) and to explore conjunctive use opportunities on the Cosumnes River including the drilling of up to 20 monitoring wells. This may provide an opportunity for the Groundwater Authority to populate some of the grids in the Basin DMS.

7. Directors' Comments

- Walter Sadler will have the Folsom city clerk send the resolution appointing him as an alternate Board member.

- Douglas Gault commented on the Groundwater Protection Program. Mr. Gault also indicated that the City of Elk Grove would like to have some recommendations on the drilling of private wells on one and two acre lots that could be used by the City to establish a policy on the drilling of said wells within the City limits.

- Albert Stricker thanked Darrell Eck and Dan Jones for meeting with him. He mentioned he would like to meet with them again in the next couple of weeks.

- Rick Bettis suggested further collaboration between agencies.

- Herb Niederberger suggested it would be a good idea for the Sacramento County Environmental Management Department to come to a future meeting to discuss the County's well ordinance.

- Scott Fort has an unavoidable conflict with the next meeting. He will contact Ken Payne to see if he is available to act as the alternate Chair.

No other comments.

8. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, Chair Scott Fort adjourns meeting at 10:15 a.m.

By:

Scott Fort
Chairperson

9/12/07
Date

Attest:

Michelle Fiorino

9/12/07
Date

