



ENVIRONMENTAL AND WATER RESOURCES COMMITTEE MEETING

MINUTES

**MONDAY, APRIL 17, 2017
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 April 17, 2017, in the Headquarters Building Boardroom at the Santa Clara Valley Water District, 5700 Almaden Expressway, San Jose, California.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Chair Loren Lewis called the meeting to order at 6:13 p.m.

Members in attendance were:

<u>District</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 1	Bonnie Bamburg Loren Lewis Rita Norton
District 2	Elizabeth Sarmiento
District 3	Rev. Jethroe Moore, II* Charles Taylor
District 4	Bob Levy Richard Zahner
District 5	Hon. Tara Martin-Milius* Mike Michitaka Marc Rauser
District 7	Stephen A. Jordan Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D.*

Members not in attendance were:

<u>District</u>	<u>Representative</u>
District 2	Patricia Colombe
District 3	Hon. Dean Chu
District 4	John Bourgeois
District 6	Maya Esparza Hon. Patrick Kwok
District 7	Tess Byler

*Committee members arrived as noted 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: Glenna Brambill, Garth Hall, Tracy Hemmeter and Darin Taylor.

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

There was no one present who wished to speak.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

It was moved by Ms. Bonnie Bamburg, seconded by Mr. Marc Rauser. and unanimously carried, to approve the January 23, 2017, Environmental and Water Resources Committee meeting minutes, as presented.

*Ms. Tara Martin Milius arrived at 6:19 p.m.

*Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D. arrived at 6:24 p.m.

4. ACTION ITEMS

4.1 REVIEW AND COMMENT TO THE BOARD ON THE FISCAL YEAR 2017-2018 PROPOSED GROUNDWATER PRODUCTION CHARGES

Mr. Darin Taylor reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item. The Board Agenda Memorandum, Public Hearing information for April 13, 2017, and the Protection and Augmentation of Water Supplies (PAWS) Report were distributed.

Hon. Tara Martin-Milius, Mr. Mike Michitaka, Director Tony Estremera, Mr. Marc Rauser, Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D., Ms. Bonnie Bamburg, Ms. Rita Norton, Mr. Bob Levy, Mr. Stephen Jordan, and Mr. Charles Taylor spoke on the Fiscal Year 2017-2018 proposed groundwater production charges.

Mr. Garth Hall was available to answer questions.

*Rev. Jethroe Moore, II arrived at 6:42 p.m.

Committee's action item failed.

Chair Lewis moved to Agenda Item 5.1

5.1 RECEIVE A BRIEF REPORT ON THE ONGOING DISCUSSION WITH THE SIERRA CLUB AND DISTRICT ON WATER PLANNING

Ms. Tracy Hemmeter reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda item.

Mr. Richard Zahner questioned if other organizations could participate.

No action was taken.

Chair Lewis moved to Agenda Item 4.2

4.2 REALIGNMENT OF WORKING GROUPS

Chair Loren Lewis reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D., Vice Chair Elizabeth Sarmiento, Ms. Bonnie Bamburg, Mr. Mike Michitaka, Mr. Richard Zahner, Hon. Tara Martin-Milius, and Mr. Marc Rauser spoke on the realignment of working groups,

Director Nai Hsueh and Director Linda J. LeZotte, gave the Committee an overview of the Board's Planning Calendar and Work Plan to assist with the working groups' role.

Committee action:

It was moved by Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D., seconded by Hon. Tara Martin-Milius. and by majority vote carried, to approve the working groups using the list from the planning and monitoring calendar that the Board has already established. Ms. Glenna Brambill will email the list to the Committee so they can sign up for their desired working group(s).

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

Chair Lewis and Ms. Glenna Brambill reviewed the materials as outlined in the agenda items.

Committee action:

It was moved by Arthur M. Keller, Ph.D., seconded by Mr. Bob Levy, and carried unanimously, to approve the Committee's request for the District's Energy Use Policy discussion and information of the District's environmental audit of disposable (paperware) products pertaining to their food services be added to the Committee's work plan.

6. Clerk Review and Clarification of Committee's Requests to the Board

Ms. Glenna Brambill reported there were two Committee actions to apprise the Board.

Committee action:

1. The Committee approved the working groups using the list from the planning and monitoring calendar that the Board has already established. Ms. Glenna Brambill will email the list to the Committee so they can sign up for their desired working group(s).
2. The Committee approved the Committee's request for the District's Energy Use Policy discussion and information of the District's environmental audit of disposable (paperware) products pertaining to their food services be added to the Committee's work plan.

7. REPORTS

7.1 Director's Report

Director Linda J. LeZotte Nai Hsueh reported on the following:

- Board Action
- Water District News
- Water Supply
- Flood Protection
- Community Outreach

7.2. Manager's Report

Mr. Garth Hall reported on the following:

- Water Supply Central Valley availability of supply
- Oroville Spillway
- So Bay Aqueduct outage through June to repair pipeline
- Groundwater projections remain in normal range

7.3 Committee Member Reports

Ms. Glenna Brambill read Hon. Dean Chu's certificate of appreciation from the Board Representatives and EWRC presented at the Board's March 28, 2017, meeting.

8. ADJOURNMENT

Chair Mr. Loren Lewis adjourned at 8:26 p.m. to the next regular meeting on Monday, July 17, 2017, at 6:00 p.m., in the Santa Clara Valley Water District Headquarters Boardroom.

Submitted by:

Glenna Brambill
Office of the Clerk of the Board

Approved: 7-17-17