

Meeting Date: September 26, 2019
To: Board of Directors
From: Cece VanDerMeer
Subject: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of August 29, 2019

The Regular Meeting August 29, 2019 of the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency was called to order at 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers, Ojai City Hall, 401 S. Ventura Street, Ojai, CA 93023.

Attendees were: Board Members: Russ Baggerly, Johnny Johnston, Jim Finch, Richard Hajas. Peter Thielke was absent. General Manager John Mundy and Secretary/Treasurer Cece VanDerMeer.

Also in attendance: Tim Becker, Associate Geologist with Kear Groundwater, Peter Candy, Attorney

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Vice President Baggerly called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm
2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Baggerly.
3. **Director Announcements/Reports/Comments:**
Mutuals: No report

Ojai Water Conservation District: Jim Finch and Emily Ayala met with the County of Ventura regarding the Spreading Grounds.

City of Ojai: No report

Casitas Lake Level:
Baggerly from Casitas Municipal Water District (CMWD) reported that the Lake was at 43.1% and had 102,650 acre feet in storage.

Community Facilities District Report: No report this period
4. **GENERAL MANAGER COMMENTS:** John Mundy reported he has been working on the budget, conjunctive use and the response to the Department of Water Resources Alternative Demonstration. John Mundy also been working on the Financial Controls, and the employment contract for Cece Vandermeer.
5. **BASIN STATUS REPORTS:**
Tim Becker provided a report that the Key Well was at 124.76' on August 25, 2019.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA:**
Regina Hirsch, from the Water Progressive, that she would like to get a letter of support from the OBGMA for the Thacher School Storm Water Reuse. Regina also mention that there were 2 local grants that were coming available.
7. **CONSENT ITEMS:**
 - a. **Approve minutes from June 27 and July 25, 2019:** Finch motioned to approve the June 27 and July 25. 2019 meeting minutes. Seconded by Johnston. On a roll call vote the minutes were approved unanimously.
8. **ACTION ITEMS:**
 - a. **Treasurer's Report for June 2019, Budget Spreadsheet and Extraction Charges by Period:** The Board discussed having consultants itemize their bills for preparation in filing the Sustainable Groundwater Management Plan. Thielke motioned to receive and file the Treasure's report for June 2019. Seconded by Hajas. On a roll call vote the Treasure's report was received and filed.
 - b. **Well Permit Application – Greta Maritz Trust:**
The Board discussed the Well Permit for Greta Maritz Trust and recommended that Kear Groundwater research the project and have it brought back to the next meeting for possible conditions to drill.
 - c. **Well Permit Application – 1563 Home Acres, LLC:**
The Board discussed the Well Permit for 1563 Home Acres, LLC and recommended that Kear Groundwater research the project and have it brought back to the next meeting for possible conditions to drill.
 - d. **Well Permit Application – Brian Osborne:**
The Board discussed the Well Permit for Brian Osborne and recommended that Kear Groundwater research the project and have it brought back to the next meeting for possible conditions to drill.
 - e. **Kear Groundwater Contract:**
Tabled to next month's Board Meeting.
9. **DISCUSSION ITEMS:**
 - a. **Draft Budget 2019/2020:** Mundy presented a five-year budget plan beginning October 1, 2019 that he presented to the Ad Hoc Budget Committee where he received feedback. The Board provided additional feedback to the five-year plan. Mundy stated that he would bring back the five-year plan with the Board's additional comments.

b. Conjunctive Use Planning:

Hajas stated that the Ad Hoc Committee is still collecting information.

c. Financial Controls Policy:

Mundy stated that he would bring it back next meeting.

d. Groundwater Sustainability Plan Task Outline: Hajas presented a memo on the Groundwater Sustainability Plan and stated that the OBGMA has 29 months to complete the plan. Hajas presented a highlighted memo describing the items that had already been completed.

e. City of Ventura Amended Cross Complaint – Ventura River:

Baggerly reported that there were ongoing negotiations between the parties involved.

10. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS: No items

11. ADJOURN -- The meeting was adjourned at 6:18 pm. The next regular scheduled meeting will be September 26, 2019 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber in Ojai City Hall, 401 S. Ventura Street, Ojai.