

To: Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency Board of Directors

From: Cece VanDerMeer

Subject: Minutes of the Board Meeting of August 24, 2017

The Regular Meeting 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, Peter Thielke and Secretary/Treasurer Cece VanDerMeer.

Also in attendance: John Mundy; Consultant and Jordan Kear; Kear Groundwater.

### **BASIN STATUS REPORTS:**

Current Status of Basin Input, Output and Storage:

Jordan Kear from Kear Groundwater reported that the water level in the key well declined 9.1' from June 2017 peak which is a slower decline than previous years. The Lagomarsino well has declined 9.5', the Grand and Park well declined 20'. The spreading grounds well declined 23'.

Casitas Lake Level:

Director Baggerly from Casitas Municipal Water District reported:  
The lake is at 40.3%

Community Facilities District:

No report

1. **PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** Bruce Kuebler, Chair of the Upper Ventura River Groundwater Agency (UVRGA), reported that the UVRGA has employed Cece Vandermeer as their executive director.
2. **June 29, 2017 Meeting Minutes:** The June 29, 2017 Meeting Minutes were moved to be approved on the September 28, 2017 agenda, due to lack of a quorum from the June 29, 2017 meeting.
3. **Treasurer's Report:** The July 2017 Treasurer's reports were received and filed.

4. **Resolution 2017-4: Casitas Municipal Water District (CMWD) and the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency (OBGMA) Resolution to Work Cooperatively on the Development of an Agreement for the Integrated use of Surface Water and Groundwater to Promote Efficient Water Use, Water Conservation and Beneficial Uses Throughout the CMWD District:** Director Baggerly stated that Resolution 2017-4 describes a cooperative agency agreement between CMWD and OBGMA for the integrated use of surface water and groundwater to promote efficient water use. On motion by Finch and seconded by Johnston, Resolution 2017-4 was approved unanimously.
  
5. **Resolution 2017-3: Making Findings to Accept Authorizations Under the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act:** Mundy stated that Resolution 2017-3 moves past the limitations of the 1991 Legislative Act and that the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act of 2014 provides more flexibility for the OBGMA. On motion by Johnston and seconded by Baggerly, Resolution 2017-3 was approved.
  
6. **First Reading of Ordinance No. 11: An Ordinance of the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency Establishing Requirements for Calculation and Billing of a Wellhead Fee and Groundwater Extraction Charge, Frequency of Reporting and Payment, and Repeal of Ordinance No.9:** Ordinance No.11 was presented for the first reading to the Board. On motion by Finch and seconded by Thielke, the first reading of Ordinance No. 11 was approved unanimously. Ordinance No. 11 will be brought back for second reading and approval at the September 28, 2017 meeting.

**ADJOURN** -- The meeting was adjourned at 5:48 pm. The next scheduled meeting will be a special meeting on September 5, 2017 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber in Ojai City Hall, 401 S. Ventura Street, Ojai.

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