

SKJPA BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES

TELECONFERENCE

Wednesday, August 11, 2021

5:30 PM

Chairman Kazarian called the meeting to order at 5:34 pm.

Board Members Present: Chairman Kazarian, B. Hurtado, E. Hurtado, Ramirez

Board Members Absent: Pimentel

Staff Present: David Peters, Michael Linden, Josh Rogers

PUBLIC PRESENTATIONS

None

CONSENT CALENDAR

3.1 *Approve minutes of April 14, 2021 meeting.*

3.2 *Approve minutes of June 16, 2021 meeting.*

J. Hurtado makes motion, Ramirez seconds motion. Motion passes unanimously.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

4.1 *Technical Advisory Committee Meetings*

Josh Rogers reports TAC met on August 4th. Trying to DIFS approved by TAC, recently had two new additions to TAC with Del Rey/Parlier representatives being changed. Gave updates and asked new members to review prior to approval. Talked about status of Prop 68 Grant and projects. Two projects in Sanger under construction, waiting for meter reading equipment to be delivered. Finalizing a letter to be sent to CID documenting current status of water deliveries.

4.2 *Administrative Committee Meetings*

Secretary Peters reports that the Admin Committee met August 5th. Update on Impact Fee Study. Discussed water deliveries and CID letter. Talked about potential projects in Fowler. Quick update on Prop 68 Grant update. Briefly discussed policies of cost sharing between agencies.

GENERAL ITEMS

5.1 *Prop 68 Grant Update – Oral Report by Josh Rogers*

State has signed the agreement with Kings Basin through FID. SKGSA board previously

authorized signature of a sub-agreement with FID to administer the grant. FID will apply on behalf of the entire basin for several projects. Moving forward any expenditures will be eligible for reimbursement.

Received review comments of appraisal on the land from the state. A couple of the comments requested clarification regarding City of Sanger's zoning and proposed land use. City of Sanger provided letter to property owner clarifying these items to be addressed in a revised appraisal. Once the revised appraisal is received, and both the state and SKGSA agree that comments have been addressed, the state will review the appraisal as the third party. Surveys for the property have already been scheduled.

5.2 *2022 Water Allocation and Projects – Oral Report by David Peters*

On August 6th a letter was sent to Phil Desotoff at CID, outlining water transfers for 2020 (should have received 1,000 acre-feet), 2021 (should have received 2,000 acre-feet), and what will occur in 2022 (3,000 acre-feet). The missed amounts will roll over and it is possible for SKGSA to receive 6,000 acre-feet in 2022. The letter was sent to requested a meeting with Mr. Desotoff to discuss new projects in order to be able to accept that volume of water. Received a confirmation email that the letter was received. These projects will be developed in fall and constructed in spring and brought before board for consideration. Through a cost sharing policy, various agencies would ask the board support the project and commit to reimbursing each agency for the development and construction of these projects.

Member Ramirez poses the question about the potential for another drought year and whether the water amounts will continue to roll over and accumulate? Secretary Peters mentions these are all questions he will discuss with Mr. Desotoff at the requested meeting.

5.3 *Consider Renewal of Lozano Smith Contract & Authorize Chairman to Sign Agreement on Behalf of SKGSA – Oral Report by David Peters*

Secretary Peters asks that the board continue this item to the next meeting. Lozano Smith has been GSA council since inception. Very vital in forming GSA and been a great partner so far. Staff would support renewing the contract.

Council Linden updates staff about changes in new contract. The only material change is a new fee schedule which increases the hourly rate from \$200/hour to \$210/hour until the end of 2021, at which time it will increase to \$220/hour.

5.4 *Consider Insurance Proposal from Golden State Risk Management Authority & Authorize Staff to Bind Coverage*

Insurance provides \$50mil worth of coverage. Staff believes is it important to have insurance coverage. Also, a part of the grant agreement. Staff has reviewed it. Annual coverage is \$2,500 per year, and the prorated amount for September-December would be \$2,075. Secretary Peters would recommend board to approve and authorize the Chairman to bind coverage.

Member Hurtado asks if any other proposals were received. Counsel Linden states the biggest initial concern was finding a policy that covered the acquisition of the property. After some discussion with TAC Chair Rogers, it was decided that a general liability policy would be needed. Counsel Linden spoke with both Alliant and Risk Management Authority (RMA). After discussions with both agencies, it was decided that a general liability policy with RMA would be the best course of action as they also represent a few other small JPA type agencies.

Hurtado makes a motion to authorize Chairman to bind coverage, Ramirez motions. Motion passes unanimously.

ADJOURN SKGSA REGULAR MEETING INTO CLOSED SESSION

6.1 *Conference with Real Property Negotiations related to Tract 5292 Recharge Basin in accordance with California Government Code Section 54956.8.*

ADJOURN OUT OF CLOSED SESSION INTO REGULAR SKGSA MEETING

No Reportable Actions

SECRETARY REPORT

Time & Place for next meeting: September 8, 2021 at 5:30pm via teleconference.

BOARD MEMBER COMMENTS

None

ADJOURNMENT

Having no further business Chairman Kazarian adjourned the meeting at 6:37pm.