

**BOARD OF BEAR VALLEY BASIN
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
MEETING MINUTES
June 16, 2020**

OPEN SESSION

A meeting of the Bear Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors was called to order at 4:08 p.m. on June 16, 2020 by Chairman Ludecke by Zoom conference call.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Ludecke, Chair
John Green, Vice Chair
Jim Miller, Secretary

BOARD MEMBER EXCUSED:

Craig Hjorth, Treasurer

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Bob Ludecke, Chair

PUBLIC FORUM:

No comments from the public.

1. CONSENT CALENDAR

1.1 Approve Minutes of Board Meeting Dated October 4, 2019.

Motion made by Vice Chair Green, seconded by Secretary Miller and carried 3-0 to approve the Consent Calendar.

AYES: Green, Ludecke, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

2. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

None

3. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

3.1 Resolution No. 2020-01 – Addendum No. 1 to Amended and Restated MOU

Vice Chair Green inquired with BBARWA General Manager, David Lawrence, if the Addendum was acceptable to BBARWA. David responded that the Addendum will “cut out the middleman”. Secretary Miller inquired into the impact to the other agencies in seeking grants. David responded that the approval of the Addendum will have no impact on or preclude the BVBGSA from applying for grants.

Motion made by Vice Chair Green, seconded by Secretary Miller and carried 3-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2020-01 approving Addendum No. 1 to the Amended and Restated MOU.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

3.2 Budget for Fiscal Year 2019-20

The Board reviewed the Fiscal Year 2019-20 Budget for approval at the June 29, 2020 Board Meeting.

3.3 Budget for Fiscal Year 2020/21

Secretary Miller inquired into the commitment of the member agencies. Dani McGee responded that each member agency has committed \$500K and that grant funding will decrease each member agencies total commitment. Chair Ludecke added that the \$500K commitment intended for two years will now be spread over more years.

3.4 Resolution No. 2020-02 – Appointment of Auditors

Secretary Miller inquired into whether the BVBGSA needed auditors. Dani McGee responded that the BVBGSA is required to have annual outside audits.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Green, seconded by Secretary Miller and carried 3-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2020-02 confirming the award to Lance, Sol, & Lunghard, LLP (LSLCPAs) with a three-year audit services contract.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

3.5 Resolution No. 2020-03 – Amendment No. 1 to the Joint Powers Agreement

No discussion.

Motion made by Vice-Chair Green, seconded by Secretary Miller and carried 3-0 to adopt Resolution No. 2020-03 approving Amendment No. 1 to the BVBGSA JPA, modifying the language in Section 20.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

3.6 Status of the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP)

3.7 Management and Board Members Discussion

Chair Ludecke inquired into the construction cost as well as, the operations and maintenance (O&M) cost for Replenish Big Bear Project (Project). Administrator, Reggie Lamson, responded that the BVBGSA was awarded \$4.5M from the Department of Water Resources (DWR) Prop 1 Grant for planning, piloting, and a portion of the construction costs for the Project. WSC has calculated that the Agencies will be eligible for reimbursement for \$1.27M of cost and will only be responsible for approximately \$730K. Additionally, there is a grant application pending with the USBR, that will increase the reimbursement approximately \$45K. The final commitment from each agency for this phase of the work will probably be approximately \$200K each.

Chair Ludecke asked “when will the next shoe drop”. Reggie responded that the Agency has hired Dr. Anderson, a leader in lake water quality modeling, to answer the DWR’s questions. MWD General Manager, Mike Stephenson, added that the issue is whether the proposed treated wastewater discharge will cause degradation of the lake water quality and what level of reverse-osmosis (RO) will be required.

Reggie shared that the Department of Drinking Water (DDW) has concerns about wells within 100 feet of the lake at full capacity. The Agency hired an attorney to look at the DDW regulations and has sent a letter to the DDW regarding what the appropriate regulation method that should be applied to this project. We are waiting a response. David added that the member agencies see value in the Project. Most likely there will be some RO required. The balance is maximizing lake quality while minimizing cost to the community. Mike added that

Valley District is willing to pay \$176 per acre foot of water released from the dam. The Project may enable us to release up to 300-acre feet from the dam which would enable us to decrease the O&M cost to the community.

ADJOURN

No additional business came before the Board. At 5:04 p.m., Chair Ludecke adjourned the meeting.

Jim Miller, Secretary to the Board