

SACRAMENTO CENTRAL GROUNDWATER AUTHORITY
Governing Board Meeting
Final Minutes
September 20, 2006

LOCATION: 8380 Laguna Palms Way, Room 2A
Elk Grove, CA 95758
10:00 a.m. to noon

MINUTES:

1. Call to Order

Chair Walt Sadler of the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority Preparatory Committee (Preparatory Committee) called the meeting to order at 10:00 a.m.

2. Roll Call

Roll call was taken and the following meeting participants were in attendance:

Board Members (Primary Rep.)

Cyrus Abhar, City of Rancho Cordova
Sandi Russell, Elk Grove Water Service
Edwin Smith, Public Agencies/Self Supplied
Ed Crouse, Rancho Murieta CSD
Andy Soule, California American Water
Scott Fort, Golden State Water Company

Board Members (Alternate Rep.)

Ken Payne, City of Folsom
Albert Stricker, City of Rancho Cordova
Mel Johnson, City of Sacramento
Clarence Korhonen, City of Elk Grove
Herb Niederberger, County of Sacramento / Sacramento County Water Agency
Ruben Robles, Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District

Staff Members

Darrell Eck, County of Sacramento / Sacramento County Water Agency
Daniel Jones, County of Sacramento / Sacramento County Water Agency
Jose Ramirez, Sacramento Regional County Sanitation District

Others in Attendance

Keith Wallace, MWH

3. Nomination and Election of Chair and Vice-Chair for Governing Board

Chair Sadler started the discussion on this topic by stating that the Board of Directors (Board) for the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority (SCGA) needs to select a new Chair and a new Vice-Chair since the current term for the present holders as part of the Preparatory Committee has expired.

The group was asked for nominations to take the positions of Chair and Vice-Chair for the 2006-2007 term. The group nominated and selected the following Board members for these positions:

Scott Fort, Chair
Ken Payne, Vice-Chair

Scott and Ken accepted the nominations and began acting as the official Chair and Vice-Chair representatives for the Board.

4. Discussion of Rules of Order/Meeting Date and Time

Rules of Order

Herb Niederberger suggested that the SCGA should follow the same format as the one being implemented by the Sacramento Groundwater Authority (SGA). He explained that SGA has already establish a set of *Rules of Order*, which are applicable to the SCGA for the most part, and that these rules could easily be edited to meet the needs of the SCGA. The Board asked if there were any significant differences between the SGA and SCGA organization. Herb indicated that there are some subtle differences that can be easily be addressed in the modified *Rules of Order*.

Motion/Second/Carried Mr. Ed Smith moved, by a second from Mr. Andy Soule, that the Board should consider using the procedures that have already been established by SGA. Herb was directed by the Board to send an electronic version of these procedures for review and comment by Board members. The timeline for the review of these procedures is planned to occur as follows:

- **Week of Sep. 25th:** Herb to send electronic version of SGA's revised procedures to Board members for review and comment.
- **Week of Oct. 1st and Oct. 8th:** Board members to review and comment on the proposed procedures.
- **Oct. 11th:** Board to review comments for proposed procedures at the Board meeting scheduled for October 11th.

The Board also agreed that they need to address the potential conflict of interest between the Chair and his designate during voting in the rules.

Meeting Date, Time, & Location

Motion/Second/Carried Ms. Sandi Russell moved, by a second from Mr. Herb Niederberger, to hold the regular monthly Board meetings as the following time and location:

- Date & Time: 2nd Wednesday of each month, 10 a.m. to noon
- Location: County of Sacramento - Department of Water Quality - SRCSD

McCuen Center One Building
 10545 Armstrong Avenue, Suite 101
 Mather, CA 95655
 (Meeting Room No 170)

5. Presentation on American River Basin Integrated Regional Water Management Plan (ARB IRWMP)

Mr. Jafar Faghiih , a guest attendee representing MWH, gave a presentation on the ARB IRWMP. This presentation is included as Attachment A to these meeting minutes. The ARB IRWMP is available on RWA's website at www.rwah2o.org. If there are any questions regarding the ARB IRWMP contact Mr. Darrell Eck (SCWA) or Rob Schwarz (RWA).

The following two questions were asked about the presentation:

- How are stormwater projects related to IRWMPs?
- How are the projects selected for implementation?

A general discussion occurred that referred questioners to Section 4 of the ARBIRWMP for more information on projects.

6. Discussion/Adoption of the Central Sacramento County Groundwater Management Plan (CSCGMP), February 2006

Mr. Darrell Eck gave a brief presentation on the status of the CSCGMP. He briefly described the California Water Code (Water Code) requirements including the resolution of intent and resolution to adopt and outlined the timetable to adopt the CSCGMP. An electronic version of this document is available on the Water Forum website at www.waterforum.org. The following is the schedule for adoption of this document by the Board:

- October 11, 2006: Hold a public hearing for the plan. Notice of public hearing will be published in a newspaper of general circulation the week of September. 25th. and October 2nd.
- November 8, 2006: Adoption of plan and certification of environmental document.

CEQA compliance: the CSCGMP is expected to receive an exemption. Staff to verify with the County's Department of Environmental Review and Assessment (DERA). Staff will also verify with DERA who the lead agency and responsible agency are.

Motion/Second/Carried Mr. Niederberger moved, by a second from Mr. Andy Soule, to proceed with the public hearing for the CSCGMP and to issue a notice of public hearing as required by the Water Code.

7. New Business

Joint Powers Authorities (JPA)

The Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority has 16 Board members. Therefore, 8 members must be present to have a quorum.

The group held a discussion on the JPA and two of the items that need to be implemented in the following timelines:

- In accordance with Paragraph 20 of the JPA, distribute a draft of the Well Protection Plan ordinance for the Central Basin within 60 days of the first meeting of the Board. The Vineyard Well Protection Plan will serve as a guidance document. The draft document should be available by November 2006.
- In accordance with Paragraph 18 of the JPA, adopt a budget within 90 days of the first meeting.

Motion/Second/Carried Mr. Herb Niederberger moved, by a second from Mr. Ken Payne, to establish and appoint the following individuals to the Budget Committee: Andy Soule, Sandi Russell, Ken Payne, Herb Niederberger, and Ed Crouse.

Mr. Niederberger stated that he will send a copy of the JPA to the group.

Andy Soule recommended placing a bulletin outlining who the names of the Board members, Chair, Vice-Chair, etc. Herb Niederberger volunteered to put a draft press release out within three days and to send it out in approximately 10 days.

Comments

The group thanked Mr. Walt Sadler for the services that he has provided as Chair of the Preparatory Committee over the past several months.

Mr. Larry Norton and Jim McCormack are retiring and were congratulated and thanked by the group for their services and contributions.


8. Adjournment

With no further business to come before the Board, Chair Fort adjourned the meeting at 11:50 a.m.

By:



Chairperson

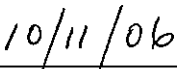


Date

Attest:



Michelle Fiorino



Date