

Estrella-El Pomar-Creston Water District (EPCWD)

Regular Meeting Minutes

October 14, 2020

Windfall Farms Conference Room, 4710 Flying Paster Lane, Paso Robles

ATTENDANCE

Directors Present: Dana Merrill (by videoconference)
Lee Nesbitt (by videoconference))
Jerry Reaugh (by videoconference)
Hilary Graves (by videoconference)
Herb Rowland (by teleconference, joins at 3:35PM)

Others present: Paul Sorensen, GSI
Alan Doud
Guests (by phone and videoconference)

ITEM 1: CALL TO ORDER

The meeting was called to order at 3:03PM by Hilary Graves.

ITEM 2: REVIEW AND APPROVE MINUTES OF SEPTEMBER 9, 2020 MEETING

MOTION TO APPROVE MINUTES made by Hilary Graves, seconded by Jerry Reaugh, roll call vote:

Dana Merrill – yes
Hilary Graves – yes
Jerry Reaugh – yes
Lee Nesbitt – yes

Motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 3: PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment submitted.

ITEM 4: UPDATE FROM AD HOC COMMITTEE ON STATUS OF WELL EXPANSION PROJECT

Jerry Reaugh reported that the committee (Jerry Reaugh, Dana Merrill) met several times with Paul Sorensen of GSI to review the options and identify areas that a data gaps in the existing network. Though there are a number of Paso Robles city wells spread throughout the Basin, the city has concerns about including them in the network considering the legal action currently in process. GSI has analyzed 16-17 wells that are in the County system but not in the GSP, offering the possibility of 8 wells to add to the GSP system of wells. The County is not currently pursuing adding any wells to the GSP system. Modifying the GSP at this time could be problematic; more so than the process of getting agreement to add to the system. Shandon-San Juan Water District is in process of developing its own well monitoring network and the question arose as to whether EPCWD should consider a similar approach. Hilary Graves suggested using the existing paradigm used in Monterey County for well monitoring as a guideline. Hilary Graves asked that the ad hoc committee provide guidance on next steps at the next regular Board meeting.

ITEM 5: REPORT FROM PAUL SORENSEN OF GSI ON GSP/SGMA ACTIVITIES AND MOST RECENT PASO BASIN COOPERATIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Paul reported that PBCC met in September. It appears that the County's first annual report to the State Department of Water Resources on the Basin was never approved by the PBCC. County staff asked to revise the report and resubmit it which DWR indicated is not an issue as long as any changes are not significant. The PBCC will discuss the revisions, which may include eliminating any reference to the Water Neutral New Development ordinance at the next meeting, scheduled for November 18. GSI has been asked to prepare the second annual report which will be reviewed/approved at the regularly scheduled November 18 PBCC meeting.

ITEM 6: TREASURER'S REPORT

Jerry Reaugh reported a current bank balance of \$138,000 net of existing payables. We currently have \$8,000 in past due assessments for 2019, and approximately \$20,000 for 2020.

ITEM 7: NEW BUSINESS

No new business items were discussed.

ITEM 8: SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The next regular Board meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 11 at 3:00PM.

ITEM 9: ADJOURNMENT

MOTION TO ADJOURN made by Jerry Reaugh, seconded by Hilary Graves, roll call vote:

Dana Merrill - yes

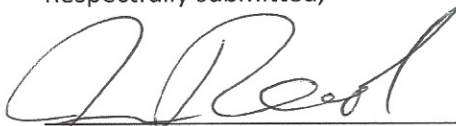
Hilary Graves - yes

Jerry Reaugh – yes

Lee Nesbitt – yes

Motion passed 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 4:11PM

Respectfully submitted,



Jerry Reaugh, Secretary/Treasurer

Accepted:



Dana Merrill, President

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Date