

To: Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency Board of Directors  
From: Cece VanDerMeer  
Date: April 30, 2009  
**Subject: Minutes of Board Meeting of April 29, 2010**

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The Regular Meeting of the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency was called to order at 7:30 PM at the Pope Plaza Conference Room.

Present: Board Members Jerry Conrow (President) Roger Essick, Rich Handley (CMWD Alternate, Ken Petersen, Betsy Clapp, Jim Ruch (OWCD Alternate), Diana Leach (GSWC Alternate)  
Secretary/Treasurer Cece VanDerMeer.  
Also in attendance: Zia Hosseinipour; Ventura County Watershed Protection District, Jordan Kear; D.B Stephens, Dave Reeser; Ojai Digital Renee Roth, Ojai Green Coalition

1. **MINUTES MEETING:** The minutes of the March 25, 2010 were approved.
2. **TREASURER'S REPORT** and Budget Spreadsheets for March 2010 were reviewed and approved.
3. **PUBLIC HEARING for RESOLUTIONS 2010-1 and 2010-2 FOR 2010/2011 BUDGET and EXTRACTION CHARGE:**  
Board President Conrow opened the public hearing for the 2010/2011 Budget. The Hearing was opened for public comment. None were received and President Conrow closed the public hearing. President Conrow opened the hearing for Board discussion and action. Resolutions 2010-1 and 2010-2 were unanimously approved as presented.
4. **PUBLIC HEARING for ORDINANCE NO. 8:** Board President Conrow Opened the public hearing for Ordinance No. 8 "AN ORDINANCE OF THE OJAI BASIN GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT AGENCY SUPERCEDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 7 SPECIFYING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR NEW WELL PERMITTING, NOTIFICATION OF INTENT TO CONSTRUCT, REGISTRATION OF EXTRACTION FACILITIES, METERING, REPORTING OF GROUNDWATER EXTRACTIONS, AND THE RECORDATION OF WELLS WITHIN THE BOUNDARIES OF THE AGENCY" for public

comment. None were received and President Conrow closed the public hearing. President Conrow opened the hearing for Board discussion and action. The board approved Ordinance No. 8 as presented unanimously.

5. **WEB SITE UPDATE :** David Reeser presented a description of the re-design of our current website including redesigning layouts of site home page and content development. The Board discussed the project and recommended that the site include links to other agencies and locations of interest of Ojai Basin well owners. The Board unanimously approved the project.
  
6. **ANNUAL REPORT:** The Board reviewed the draft annual report and made a number of suggestions for changes. The most significant change requested was in regard to the “State of the Basin” section and the apparently conflicting information provided by The County and by Jordan Kear. The Board requested that this conflict be resolved and that Jordan be asked to provide the definitive statement on the State of the Basin for the report. The other minor changes included typos. With these appropriate changes, the Board approved the 2009 Annual Report for publication.
  
7. **METERING REQUIREMENTS NOTIFICATION TO WELL OWNERS:** The Board requested that a formal reminder notice of the metering requirement and April 2011 deadline be mailed to all well owners along with a copy of Ordinance #8.
  
8. **MEMBERSHIPS TO JOIN:** The Board authorized VanDerMeer to have OBGMA join AWA as a member agency.
  
9. **REPORT ON REDUCTION OF REVENUE FROM THE MUTUAL WATER COMPANIES:** Essick requested that this item be removed from The agenda until further information is obtained.
  
10. **PROGRESS REPORTS:**
  - a. **DWR GROUNDWATER AGENCY ASSISTANCE GRANT UPDATE** Jordan Kear provided an outstanding power point presentation on progress toward the completion of this project including some extraordinarily important information on water quality in the basing obtain thanks to Golden State Water Company’s provision of depth discrete records from on of their wells. Jordan will be using much of this information in his presentation to the “Watershed U” audience on May 6.
  - b. **VENTURA RIVER WATERSHED PLANNING PROJECT V-1:** Zia Hosseinipour provided an extensive map of agricultural lands in the Ojai

Valley and a detailed list of agricultural land owners. The mapping information was obtained as part of the V-1 project, compiled from aerial photography and interpretation of land uses. He then presented an update on the V-1 project, including the information that the VCWPD has accepted two bids under this project dealing with groundwater, one for monitoring in the Ojai Basin and one for analyzing the water budget in the upper and lower Ventura River basins. He noted efforts related to stormwater sampling, and the initiation of the San Antonio Creek Arundo removal project by "Nature's Image".

- c. **SAN ANTONIO CREEK RECHARGE PROJECT V-2 DESIGN PROGRESS:** Zia Hosseinipour reported for Elizabeth Martinez, project manager for the V-2 project that the mitigated negative declaration should be ready for public review by September 2010. As of the first week of May the initial coordination with the permitting agencies has been started. The monitoring well should be underway by mid May as well as the 50% engineering work.
- d. **BASIN WATER LEVEL REPORT:** Petersen reported on the Gorham Well as of April 29, 2010 with a static level is 47', pumping 500 gallons per minute with a pumping level of 324'.

**11. DIRECTOR REPORTS AND COMMENTS (Board Members)**

OJAI WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICT  
MUTUALS  
CITY OF OJAI  
GOLDEN STATE WATER COMPANY  
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- 12. PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD:** No public comments.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40pm. The next regular meeting will be May 27, 2010 at 7:30 pm

*Jerry Conrow*

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Jerry Conrow, President of the Board