

Meeting Date: August 30, 2018  
To: Board of Directors  
From: Cece VanDerMeer  
Subject: Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of July 26, 2018

The Regular Meeting July 26, 2018 of the Ojai Basin Groundwater Management Agency was called to order at 5:00 PM in the Council Chambers, Ojai City Hall, 401 S. Ventura Street, Ojai, CA 93023.

**Attendees were:** Board Members: Vice President, Russ Baggerly, Johnny Johnston, Alternate Peter Thielke for Dan Breen and Secretary/Treasurer Cece VanDerMeer.

Also in attendance: John Mundy; Consultant, Jordan Kear; Consultant and Peter Candy; Attorney

1. **Call to Order and Roll Call:** Vice President Russ Baggerly called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm

2. **Pledge of Allegiance:** Led by Russ Baggerly

3. **Director Announcements:**

Mutuals:

Peter Thielke reported that Senior Canyon Mutual had severe damage from the Thomas Fire and are in the process of filing with FEMA

Ojai Water Conservation District: The representative for OWCD, Jim Finch, was absent.

City of Ojai: None

Casitas Lake Level:

Baggerly from Casitas Municipal Water District (CMWD) reported:  
The lake is 33.3% full and has 79,058 acre feet in storage.

Community Facilities District Report for May 18, 2018 was:

San Antonio #4:

Static level 173.12'

Dynamic - 306.00'

Average Flow - 197 gpm

Mutual #6:

Static level 163.78'

Dynamic 184.60'

Average Flow - 253 gpm

4. **BASIN STATUS REPORTS:**

. Current Status of Basin Input, Output and Storage:

Jordan Kear from Kear Groundwater gave a power point presentation on the current Basin status. The Basin reached its peak of 182' depth to water on May 7, 2018 and was at 184' depth to water on June 28, 2018.

5. **GENERAL MANAGER REPORT:** John Mundy reported that he would bring the work plan he has prepared to the August 30, 2018 meeting. Among items on the work plan are; Records Retention Schedule and Board Meeting Calendar.

6. **PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA:** Bill Milley, member of the public, suggested that the OBGMA Board of Directors should appoint a member of Ojai Flow since they were the originators of moving out Golden State Water Company.

Regina Hirsch with Sierra Water Shed Progressive gave a presentation on grants that are available.

7. **CONSENT ITEMS:**

- a. **Approve minutes from May 31, 2018:** Johnston motioned to approve the May 31, 2018 minutes, seconded by Thielke. On a roll call vote: Ayes: Baggerly, Johnston and Thielke, the minutes were approved.

- b. **Treasurer's report May and June 2018. Budget Spreadsheet and Extraction Charges by Period:** Johnston motioned to receive and file the May and June 2018 Treasurer's report, Budget Spreadsheet and Extraction Charges by Period, seconded by Thielke. On a roll call vote: Ayes: Baggerly, Johnston and Thielke, the Treasurer's report for May and June 2018, Spreadsheet and Extraction Charges by Period was received and filed.

8. **ACTION ITEMS:**

- a. **General Manager Goals and Objectives:** This item will be brought back to the August 30, 2018 Board Meeting.

- b. **Amendment to Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to Participate in the Watersheds Coalition of Ventura County' Integrated Regional Water Management (IRWM) Panning Efforts:** Baggerly suggested looking into how the money has been spent by the IRWM, and to bring this item back to a future meeting.

- c. **Community Facilities Resident Director Appointment Process:** Bob Daddi, member of the public, requested information on applying for the

Community Facilities Resident Director position. Johnston directed staff to put the application and requirements on the website with an application closing date of August 17, 2018. General Manager Mundy stated that at the August 30, 2018 Board meeting, the Board of Directors would review the applicants, allow the applicants in attendance to present their qualifications and receive questions from the Board, Directors would nominate candidates for Board for considerations; and vote on the slate of nominated candidates and select a candidate by majority vote of the directors currently in office.

**d. Approve Water Well Permit #0038 for 4424 Thacher Road LLC:** The Board reviewed the proposed OBGMA Water Well Permit #0038 for 4424 Thacher Road LLC located at 4424 Thacher Road. Kear explained that the proposed permit was for a low production well and the conditions required are: 1) OBGMA must be notified to review cuttings obtained in drilling; 2) OBGMA must witness Elog procedure and receive a copy; 3) Design must include a seal that isolates the alluvium; 4) OBGMA must witness well sealing, and 5) The well must have a meter. Kear explained that the proposed water well property has no other water source. Thielke motioned to approve OBGMA Water Well Permit #0038 with the 5 conditions, seconded by Baggerly. On a roll call vote: Ayes: Thielke and Baggerly. Noes: Johnston. OBGMA Water Well Permit # 0038 was approved.

**9. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS:**

**a. Update on the Groundwater Management Plan (GMP):** Thielke requested this item be continued at the August 30, 2018 meeting because he was not up to date on the GMP. The item was moved to the August 30, 2018 meeting.

**b. Update on AB1794:** This item was removed from the agenda.

**10. ADJOURN --** The meeting was adjourned at 5:30 pm. The next regular scheduled meeting will be September 27, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. in the Council Chamber in Ojai City Hall, 401 S. Ventura Street, Ojai.

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