

MID-KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BOARD

SUMMARY MINUTES

March 9, 2021 – 3:00 p.m.

Conducted via Teleconference
Per Executive Order N-29-20

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dennis Mederos, Dave Martin, Steve Nelsen, David Bixler, Howard Stroman, Greg Collins

STAFF PRESENT: Aaron Fukuda, Valerie Kincaid, Kathy Artis, Randy Groom, Leslie Caviglia, Rob Hunt, Trisha Whitfield, Roxanne Yoder

OTHERS PRESENT: Blake Wilbur (MKGSA Advisory Comm. Chair), Derrick Williams, Tim Leo, Matt Klinchuch, Eric Osterling (Greater Kaweah GSA), Geoff Vanden Heuvel, Shelley Albanese, Andrew Hart, Johnny Gailey (DVWA), Steve Jackson (Sandridge Partners), Gene Gilgore, Blanca Escobedo

1. CALL TO ORDER

Chair Mederos opened the meeting at 3:01 p.m.

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT** – The public may comment on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Board, including items on the agenda. Speakers will be allowed three minutes unless otherwise extended by the Board Chair. The Board cannot legally discuss or take official action on items presented under public comment.

Chair Mederos called for comments from any members of the public present at the meeting. None were forthcoming.

3. GENERAL BUSINESS

- a. Approval of Minutes of Regular Meeting on February 9, 2021
It was moved by Director Bixler, seconded by Director Collins, and unanimously carried to approve the minutes as presented.
- b. Financial Reports*
 - i. Financial Statements – Year-to-Date
K. Artis provided the report for the Board’s review and consideration. She pointed out highlights in the balance sheet, profit and loss statement, and list of recent transactions. Following the report, it was moved by Director Nelsen, seconded by Vice Chair Martin, and unanimously carried to accept the report as presented.

- c. Legal Counsel Report
 - V. Kincaid provided a report for the Board's review and consideration on existing GSP litigation. Ms. Kincaid further reported on a report on climate change required the State Water Resources Control Board. A. Fukuda advised drafting a comment letter on the matter. Comments due March 31, 2021. Chair Mederos suggested agendaing this item for the special meeting on March 25, 2021.
- d. MKGSA Advisory Committee Update
 - Blake Wilbur advised there was no update at this time.
 - i. Advisory Committee Member Search Update
 - A. Fukuda provided a brief update for the Board's review and consideration.
- e. MKGSA GSP Review Status
 - A. Fukuda provided a brief update and advised there was nothing new to report.
- f. MKGSA GSP Implementation Workplan
 - i. MKGSA Policy Review Plan – Update
 - A. Fukuda provided a brief update for the Board's review and consideration.
 - ii. Consider Montgomery and Associates Task Order No. 5 – Evaluate Monitoring Networks*
 - A. Fukuda provided a brief update for the Board's review and consideration. Following discussion it was moved by Director Nelsen, seconded by Director Collins and unanimously carried to approve the item as presented.
- g. Kaweah Subbasin Coordination
 - i. Kaweah Subbasin Annual ~~Plan~~ Report
 - 1. Presentation by Provost & Pritchard
 - A. Fukuda introduced Matt Klinchuch who provided a PowerPoint update for the Board's review and consideration on the Annual 2020 Water Monitoring Report.
 - ii. Prop 68 Planning Grant
 - A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board's review and consideration advising that we were successful in receiving an implementation grant.
 - iii. Prop 68 Implementation Grant
 - A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board's review and consideration.
 - iv. Water Marketing Strategy Grant
 - A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board's review and consideration.
 - vi. Kaweah Water Foundation (CVSALTS)
 - A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board's review and consideration.

- vii. Kaweah Interbasin Coordination
 - A. Fukuda advised there was no update.

4. APPROVAL OF AGREEMENT FOR MANAGEMENT AND ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES*

V. Kincaid provided a brief update on the matter. Comments by A. Fukuda. Following discussion it was moved by Director Nelsen, seconded by Director Stroman and unanimously carried to approve the item as presented.

5. CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF INTERIM GENERAL MANAGE TO THE SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY WATER COLLABORATIVE ACTION PROGRAM – PLANNING GROUP*

A. Fukuda provided a report for the Board’s review and consideration. Following discussion it was moved by Director Collins, seconded by Vice Chair Martin and unanimously carried to approve the item as presented.

6. STAFF UPDATE, DISCUSSION AND RECEIVE DIRECTION, IF NECESSARY, REGARDING COVID-19

7. BOARD/STAFF UPDATES, FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS OR OTHER TOPICS OF INTEREST

8. CLOSED SESSION

9. ADJOURNMENT:

Chair Mederos closed the meeting at 4:30 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting – April 13, 2021

Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Board Chair

Attest:

Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Board Secretary

MID-KAWEAH GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY BOARD

SUMMARY MINUTES

March 25, 2021 – 12:00 p.m.

Conducted via Teleconference
Per Executive Order N-29-20

MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Martin, Steve Nelsen, David Bixler, Howard Stroman

STAFF PRESENT: Aaron Fukuda, Valerie Kincaid, Kathy Artis, Randy Groom, Leslie Caviglia, Rob Hunt, Trisha Whitfield, Roxanne Yoder

OTHERS PRESENT: Blake Wilbur (MKGSA Advisory Comm. Chair), Derrik Williams, Tim Leo, Matt Klinchuch, Eric Osterling (Greater Kaweah GSA), Geoff Vanden Heuvel, Shelley Albanese, Andrew Hart, Johnny Gailey (DVWA), Steve Jackson (Sandridge Partners), Blanca Escobedo, Richard Garcia, Eric Correia, Craig Wallace (Lindsay-Strathmore Irrigation District), Sopac Mullholand, Andrew Hart, Jessi Snyder, Mike Lane, Lee Johnson, Jeremy Barroll (Tulare ID), Marco Crenshaw (Tulare ID)

1. CALL TO ORDER

Vice Chair Martin opened the meeting at 12:00 p.m.

- 2. PUBLIC COMMENT** – The public may comment on any subject within the jurisdiction of the Board, including items on the agenda. Speakers will be allowed three minutes unless otherwise extended by the Board Chair. The Board cannot legally discuss or take official action on items presented under public comment.

Vice Chair Martin called for comments from any members of the public present at the meeting. None were forthcoming.

3. STATE WATER RESOURCES CONTROL BOARD COMMENT LETTER ON RECOMMENDATION FOR AN EFFECTIVE WATER RIGHTS RESPONSE TO CLIMATE CHANGE REPORT

A. Fukuda provided a report on the SWRCB Climate Change Report and draft comments being developed by MKGSA and TID Staff. The Board of Directors present provided comments on the information and indicated support for submission of a comment letter to the SWRCB.

4. KAWEAH SUBBASIN WATER RIGHTS PRESENTATION AND WORKSHOP

V. Kincaid provided an extensive presentation on water rights in the Kaweah Subbasin. The Board of Directors and the public provided questions and comments on various issues.

5. **ADJOURNMENT:**

Vice Chair Martin closed the meeting at 2:00 p.m.

Next Regular Meeting – April 13, 2021

Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Board Chair

Attest:

Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Board Secretary

Mid-Kaweah GSA

Agenda Item Report

April 13, 2021

Agenda Item Wording: Fiscal – Financial Statements Year To Date

Report Author: Kathi Artis – Tulare ID

Background Discussion:

The GSA's financial policies require a financial overview and Profit & Loss Statement through the end of the previous month are to be provided to the Board of Directors at each Board meeting.

Attachments:

Balance Sheet as of March 31, 2021

Profit & Loss Statement for period July 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021

Transaction Detail by Account for checking and money market accounts for period March 1, 2021 through March 31, 2021

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Balance Sheet

As of March 31, 2021

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ASSETS	
Current Assets	
Checking/Savings	
Checking	128.14
Money Market	167,838.68
Total Checking/Savings	167,966.82
Accounts Receivable	
Accounts Receivable	220,000.00
Total Accounts Receivable	220,000.00
Total Current Assets	387,966.82
TOTAL ASSETS	387,966.82
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Current Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	
Accounts Payable	192,229.36
Total Accounts Payable	192,229.36
Total Current Liabilities	192,229.36
Total Liabilities	192,229.36
Equity	
Prior Period Adjustment	561,910.52
Retained Earnings	-449,680.38
Net Income	83,507.32
Total Equity	195,737.46
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	387,966.82

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Profit & Loss

July 1, 2020 through March 31, 2021

	July 1, 2020 - March 31, 2021	2020-2021 Budget	Variance
Ordinary Income/Expense			
Income			
Call For Funds	210,000.00	338,594.00	(128,594.00)
Administration	-	-	-
GEI Planning	-	-	-
Total Call For Funds	-	-	-
Reimbursed Expenses-East Kaweah GSA	61,667.00	-	61,667.00
Prop 1 GSP Grant	-	150,000.00	(150,000.00)
Prop 1 GSP Grant Disbursements	-	-	-
Reimbursed Expenses			
Net Reimbursements To/From Other GSAs	-	-	-
Kaweah Sub Basin Expenses	9,434.82	-	9,434.82
DWR Tech Services Application	-	-	-
Total Reimbursed Expenses	71,101.82	150,000.00	(78,898.18)
Total Income	281,101.82	488,594.00	(207,492.18)
Expense			
Net Reimbursements To/From Other GSAs	-	279,000.00	(279,000.00)
Audit Expense	5,800.00	4,100.00	1,700.00
Consulting Fees			
Montgomery & Associates	32,110.00	200,000.00	(167,890.00)
Provost & Pritchert	18,044.66	-	18,044.66
Stantec Consulting	2,355.00	-	2,355.00
Consulting Fees-GEI-Sub-Basin Coordination	16,090.35	-	16,090.35
Total Consulting Fees	68,600.01	200,000.00	(131,399.99)
Contributions - Water Blueprint of San Joaquin Valley	1,260.00	-	1,260.00
Engineering Expenses	3,171.19	-	3,171.19
Insurance	1,429.63	5,000.00	(3,570.37)
Legal	16,275.00	50,000.00	(33,725.00)
Membership Dues	5,585.00	-	5,585.00
Office Expense	1,816.20	2,700.00	(883.80)
Payroll, Benefits and Travel Expenses	93,520.33	165,000.00	(71,479.67)
Rent	250.00	-	250.00
Total Expense	197,707.36	705,800.00	(508,092.64)
Net Ordinary Income/(Loss)	83,394.46	(217,206.00)	300,600.46
Other Income/Expense			
Other Income			
Interest Income	112.86	300.00	(187.14)
Total Other Income	112.86	300.00	(187.14)
Net Other Income	112.86	300.00	(187.14)
Net Income/(Loss)	83,507.32	(216,906.00)	300,413.32

**Mid-Kaweah Groundwater Sustainability Agency
Transactions by Account
As of March 31, 2021**

Type	Date	Num	Name	Memo	Account	Receipts	Disbursements
Checking							
Check	03/02/2021	1230	Montgomery & Associates	Data Acquisition and Workplan January 2021	Consulting Fees		(3,120.00)
Check	03/02/2021	1231	O'Laughlin & Paris LLP	Legal Fees for February 2021	Legal		(3,395.00)
Transfer	03/02/2021			Funds Transfer	Money Market	6,500.00	
Check	03/16/2021	1232	Water Blueprint for San Joaquin Valley	Contribution - Education Fund	Contributions		(1,260.00)
Check	03/16/2021	1233	Provost & Pritchard	1/3 costs of Kaweah SB Well Videoing Services	Consulting Fees		(751.33)
				1/3 costs of Water Accounting Framework Analysis	Consulting Fees		(325.83)
				1/3 costs of WY2020 SGMA Annual Monitoring Report	Consulting Fees		(8,876.43)
Check	03/16/2021	1234	Tulare Irrigation Dist	Management & Admin Services January - March	Payroll Expenses		(66,249.99)
Transfer	03/17/2021			Funds Transfer	Money Market	80,000.00	
Check	03/23/2021	1235	Montgomery & Associates	Data Acquisition and Workplan February 2021	Consulting Fees		(4,940.00)
Transfer	03/23/2021			Funds Transfer	Money Market	2,000.00	
Check	03/23/2021			Service Charge	Office Expense		(14.21)
Total Checking						88,500.00	(88,932.79)
Money Market							
Transfer	03/02/2021			Funds Transfer	Checking		(6,500.00)
Deposit	03/03/2021		East Kaweah GSA - reimbursement	Deposit	Reimbursed Expenses	61,667.00	
Deposit	03/15/2021		Tulare Irrigation District	Deposit	Call for Funds	70,000.00	
			City of Tulare		Call for Funds	70,000.00	
Transfer	03/17/2021			Funds Transfer	Checking		(80,000.00)
Transfer	03/23/2021			Funds Transfer	Checking		(2,000.00)
Deposit	03/31/2021			Interest	Interest Income	11.58	
Total Money Market						201,678.58	(88,500.00)
						290,178.58	(177,432.79)
						Net Cash	112,745.79