

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
FLORIN RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

Wednesday, January 30, 2019

The special meeting of the Florin Resource Conservation District Board of Directors was called to order at 6:30 p.m. by Tom Nelson, Chairperson, at 9257 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, CA.

Call to Order, Roll Call, and Pledge of Allegiance.

Directors Present: Bob Gray, Tom Nelson, Lisa Medina, Elliot Mulberg, Sophia Scherman
Directors Absent: None
Staff Present: Mark Madison, General Manager; Bruce Kamilos, Assistant General Manager; Stefani Phillips, Board Secretary; Patrick Lee, Treasurer; Donella Murillo, Finance Supervisor, Richard Salas, Water Distribution Supervisor; Sean Hinton, Interim Water Distribution Supervisor; Sarah Jones, Program Manager; Steve Shaw, Water Treatment Supervisor; Thomas Dainat
Staff Absent: None
Associate Directors Present: Shahid Chaudhry
Associate Directors Absent: None
General Counsel Present: None
Consultants Present: Michael Ward, HighBar Consulting

1. Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority Fiscal Year 2018-19 Contribution – Request for Reconsideration

General Manager Mark Madison presented the agenda item to the Florin Resource Conservation District (FRCD) Board of Directors (Board), providing a timeline and background.

There was a lengthy discussion on whether the District should reconsider paying the remaining contribution amount to Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority (SCGA).

Director Sophia Scherman commented the District has been overpaying for some time. She asked what “a member not in good standing” means to SCGA. Mr. Madison responded, in SCGA’s opinion, the District is no longer a valid member because of the unpaid dues.

Mrs. Scherman then asked how it would hurt the District to be suspended. Mr. Madison responded, in the current policy there are no procedures or steps to reinstate members after they have been suspended.

Mrs. Scherman asked if the SCGA’s policy was legitimate and if it was legal to do what they did. Mr. Madison responded, yes, because it was adopted by the majority of the SCGA Board. He commented that in the District’s General Counsel’s opinion, it was not legitimate the way SCGA adopted the policy.

Director Lisa Medina expressed her opinions regarding paying the requested contribution to SCGA. She asked if the District could pay under protest. Mr. Madison responded yes, stating his recommendation would be to stay at the table and pay the contribution amount under protest.

Assistant General Manager Bruce Kamilos stated he thinks the District should pay the contribution to stay a member of SCGA. He believes Mr. Madison’s voice has made a small impact at the SCGA meetings and staying a member of SCGA is good for the Districts customers.

Vice Chairperson Bob Gray mentioned he did not see how staying with SCGA directly affects customers.

Director Elliot Mulberg expressed his opinion, stating he feels the District should pay the contribution and be at the table.

Ms. Scherman commented she will support the contribution payment this year, but will not support it next year.

Staff was directed to pay the full amount of the contribution under protest.

MSC (Mulberg/Medina) to reconsider the amounts withheld from the payment of the Fiscal Year 2018-19 contribution to the Sacramento Central Groundwater Authority. 4/1: Ayes: Gray, Medina, Mulberg, and Nelson Noes: Scherman

2. 2019 – 2023 Strategic Plan Board Workshop #1

Program Manager Sarah Jones presented the item to the Board and introduced Michael Ward from HighBar Consulting to lead the Strategic Plan Board Workshop.

In summary, the Strategic Plan Board Workshop #1 focused on developing a framework for the 2019-2023 Strategic Plan, discussing and exploring leadership team priorities in context with the Board priorities, and establishing a long term vision for the FRCD/Elk Grove Water District (EGWD).

Adjourn to Regular Board Meeting on February 20, 2019 at 6:30 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stefani Phillips

Stefani Phillips, Board Secretary
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