

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

Tuesday, April 19, 2022

The regular meeting of the Florin Resource Conservation District Board of Directors was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Chair Sophia Scherman via Zoom.

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

Directors Present: Sophia Scherman, Tom Nelson, Paul Lindsay, Elliot Mulberg
Directors Absent: Lisa Medina
Staff Present: Bruce Kamilos, General Manager; Patrick Lee, Finance Manager/Treasurer; Stefani Phillips, Human Resources Administrator/ Board Secretary; Donella Murillo, Finance Supervisor; Ben Voelz, Associate Engineer; Travis Franklin, Program Manager; Amber Kavert, Administrative Assistant II (Confidential)
Staff Absent: None
Associate Directors Present: None
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General Counsel Present: Ren Nosky, JRG Attorneys at Law

Public Comment

No comment.

1. Future Florin Resource Conservation District Board Meeting by Teleconference

Board Secretary Stefani Phillips presented the item to the Florin Resource Conservation District (District) Board of Directors (Board).

In summary, the Board has conducted board meetings by teleconference since April 21, 2020. On September 30, 2021, Executive Order No. N-29-20, which allows for board meetings to be conducted by teleconference expired. On September 15, 2021, the Governor passed Assembly Bill (AB) 361 extending the allowance of public board meetings to be conducted by teleconference effective October 1, 2021, through December 31, 2023. At the September regular board meeting, the Board concurred that meetings continue to be conducted by teleconference in accordance with AB-361. To meet by teleconference under AB-361, local agency boards must include an initial agenda item to consider finding that the circumstances allowing a teleconference meeting under AB-361 exist. After the initial meeting, if 30 days or less have elapsed since the last meeting, an agenda item should be included to renew the determination that meeting in person presents health risks. However, if more than 30 days have passed, an initial agenda item must be included to re-authorize meeting by teleconference under AB-361.

MSC (Nelson/Lindsay) to consider finding by a majority vote under Gov. Code § 54953, subd. (e)(1)(B) that as a result of the COVID-19 emergency: (i) meeting in person would present imminent risks to the health or safety of attendees; and (ii) the meeting is authorized to be held by teleconference pursuant to Gov. Code § 54953, subd. (e)(1)(C). 4/0: Ayes: Lindsay, Mulberg, Nelson and Scherman.

2. Proclamations and Announcements

General Manager Bruce Kamilos explained the District was recognized as having a membership of over 50 years with the Chamber of Commerce at the State of the City event he attended on March 25, 2022.

3. Consent Calendar

- a. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of March 15, 2022
- b. Minutes of Special Meeting of the Infrastructure Committee of April 5, 2022
- c. Accounts Payable Check History – April 2022
- d. Board and Employee Expense/Reimbursements – April 2022
- e. Active Accounts – April 2022
- f. Bond Covenant Status for FY 2021-22 – April 2022
- g. Year to Date Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget – April 2022
- h. CASH - Detail Schedule of Investments – April 2022
- i. Consultants Expenses – April 2022
- j. Major Capital Improvement Projects – April 2022

Director Elliot Mulberg pulled item g.

Director Paul Lindsay pulled item b.

MSC (Nelson/Mulberg) to approve Florin Resource Conservation District Consent Calendar items a, c-f, h-j . 4/0: Ayes: Lindsay, Mulberg, Nelson and Scherman.

On item b – Minutes of Special Meeting of the Infrastructure Committee of April 5, 2022, Director Lindsay asked that the committee members section be updated to read Paul Lindsay, Director. Staff will update the minutes before posting to the website.

Director Mulberg asked what the difference was between item g – Year to Date Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget and the attachment in Agenda Item 5. Finance Manager Patrick Lee explained they are the same schedule, with item g included monthly as a consent item and the schedule included in Agenda Item 5 as a summary for the quarterly operating budget report.

After much discussion the Board agreed to move item g – Year to Date Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget out of Consent Calendar and make it a standalone item.

MSC (Lindsay/Nelson) to approve Florin Resource Conservation District Consent Calendar items b and g with amendments. 4/0: Ayes: Lindsay, Mulberg, Nelson and Scherman.

4. Groundwater Workshop – Sacramento Regional Water Bank

General Manager Bruce Kamilos presented a PowerPoint on the Sacramento Regional Water Bank to the Board.

5. Elk Grove Water District Fiscal Year 2021-22 Quarterly Operating Budget Status Report

Mr. Lee presented the item to the Board.

In summary, revenues collected through the third quarter of the fiscal year total \$12,028,950 which is 76.54% of the \$15,716,093 annual budget. The revenues are \$389,546 or 3.14% below the same quarter of the prior year due to an overall reduction in consumption as part of the statewide water conservation effort.

There was a brief discussion on Vacation and Paid Time Off. Director Lindsay asked if staff could provide him with information on maternity/paternity leave. Staff will send Director Lindsay the information.

6. Elk Grove Water District Fiscal Year 2021-22 Quarterly Capital Reserve Status Report

Mr. Lee presented the item to the Board.

In summary, through the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2021-22, the District expended \$2,139,783 for capital projects leaving a remaining total reserve balance on March 31, 2022 of \$16,999,699.

7. Legislative Matters and Potential Direction to Staff

Program Manager Travis Franklin presented the item to the Board.

Mr. Franklin mentioned that the Regional Water Authority has included the District in their letter to the State Assembly Budget Committee, requesting \$16.7 million for water infrastructure projects in Sacramento Region to promote climate resiliency. The project specific to the District is \$5 million for a new well. Three (3) assemblymembers have signed the letter.

8. General Managers Report

Mr. Kamilos presented the item to the Board.

In summary, Mr. Kamilos gave an update on the Administrative Office Tenant Improvements Project, as well as explained that staff is participating in Senator Padilla's congressionally direct spending request. Lastly, he explained that Governor Newsom issued an executive order requiring the State Water Resources Control Board (Water Board) to consider adopting emergency regulations that require urban water suppliers to declare a shortage level of up to twenty percent by a date set by the Water Board.

9. Elk Grove Water District Operations Report – March 2022

Mr. Kamilos presented the EGWD Operations Report – March 2022 to the Board and provided information on a couple operational events.

In summary, the District started shut offs in the month of March for the first time since COVID started. Mr. Kamilos informed the Board the District has changed the metric on hydrant maintenance from once a year to once every three (3) years. Lastly, he explained that Well 11D is running and staff was able to go into three (3) of the four (4) filter trains and skim off the fine sand that was pumped in when Well 11D developed the hole in its casing. By cleaning out the filters, the District was able to save ratepayers from having to spend \$90,000 per filter train.

10. Directors Comments

Vice-Chair Tom Nelson asked if the District planned on continuing zoom meetings until the new building opened or if they planned on going back to Cosumnes Community Services District. After a short discussion, the Board determined meetings will be held over zoom until the new building opens, but staff will be watching for changes with executive orders.

Adjourn to Regular Board Meeting on May 17, 2022.

Respectfully submitted,

Stefani Phillips

Stefani Phillips, Board Secretary

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