

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

Tuesday, October 19, 2021

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, Bob Gray, Lisa Medina, Elliot Mulberg
Directors Absent:	None
Staff Present:	Bruce Kamilos, General Manager; Patrick Lee, Finance Manager/Treasurer; Stefani Phillips, Human Resources Administrator/Board Secretary; Donella Murillo, Finance Supervisor; Travis Franklin, Program Manager; Amber Kavert, Administrative Assistant II (Confidential)
Staff Absent:	None
Associate Directors Present:	Paul Lindsay
Associate Directors Absent:	None
General Counsel Present:	Ren Nosky, JRG Attorneys at Law
Consultants Present:	Mitesh Desai, Badawi & Associates
Public Present:	Pam Tobin, Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA); Cathy Green, ACWA

Public Comment

Nothing to report.

1. Future Florin Resource Conservation District Board Meeting by Teleconference

General Manager Bruce Kamilos 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/Medina) 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). 5/0: Ayes: Gray, Medina, Mulberg, Nelson and Scherman.

2. Proclamations and Announcements

Nothing to report.

3. Consent Calendar

- a. Minutes of Regular Board Meeting of September 21, 2021
- b. Accounts Payable Check History – September 2021
- c. Board and Employee Expense/Reimbursements – September 2021
- d. Active Accounts – September 2021
- e. Bond Covenant Status for FY 2021-22 – September 2021
- f. Year to Date Revenues and Expenses Compared to Budget – September 2021
- g. Cash Accounts – September 2021
- h. Consultants Expenses – September 2021
- i. Major Capital Improvement Projects – September 2021

Vice-Chair Tom Nelson pull item b.

Vice-Chair Nelson inquired about a check regarding a public notice for unclaimed funds. Finance Manager Patrick Lee explained the District has \$16,000 in unclaimed funds, as well as the process the District must go through based on its Unclaimed Funds Policy, and that the public notice was to inform customers of the unclaimed funds in the Elk Grove Citizen.

MSC (Medina/Nelson) to approve Florin Resource Conservation District Consent Calendar items a-i.
5/0: Ayes: Gray, Medina, Mulberg, Nelson and Scherman.

4. Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Years Ended June 30, 2021, and 2020

Mr. Lee presented the item to the Board before introducing Mitesh Desai from Badawi & Associates. Mr. Desai presented a PowerPoint on the District's Comprehensive Annual Financial Report (CAFR), explaining Badawi & Associates findings.

Director Elliot Mulberg congratulated staff on getting the CAFR done in a timely manner.

MSC (Mulberg/Medina) to accept and file the Comprehensive Annual Financial Report for the Fiscal Years ending June 30, 2021, and 2020. 5/0: Ayes: Gray, Medina, Mulberg, Nelson and Scherman.

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

Mr. Lee provided information on the item.

In summary, Revenues collected through the first quarter of Fiscal Year (FY) 2021-22 total \$4,889,893 which is 31.11% of the \$15,716,093 annual budget. The revenues are \$135,837 or 2.70% below the same quarter of the prior year due to an overall reduction in consumption for the months of July and August 2021.

6. Elk Grove Water District Fiscal Year 2021-11 Quarterly Capital Reserve Status Report

Mr. Lee provided information on the item.

In summary, through the first quarter of FY 2021-22, the District expended \$729,849 for capital projects, leaving a remaining total reserve balance on September 30, 2021, of \$18,409,633.

7. Support for Association of California Water Agencies President and Vice President

Mr. Kamilos presented the item to the Board.

In summary, every two (2) years, the Association of California Water Agencies (ACWA) holds an election among its membership for ACWA President and Vice President. Elections for these offices are scheduled for December 1, 2021, during the ACWA 2021 Fall Conference & Exhibition. At the

board meeting on September 21, 2021, the Board agreed to support Pam Tobin and Cathy Green for these offices.

Pam Tobin and Cathy Green, running for ACWA President and Vice-president respectively, both spoke for their candidacy.

MSC (Medina/Nelson) to adopt Resolution No. 10.19.21.01, supporting Pam Tobin as a candidate for Association of California Water Agencies President. 5/0: Ayes: Gray, Medina, Mulberg Nelson and Scherman.

MSC (Scherman/Nelson) to adopt Resolution No.10.19.21.02, supporting Cathy Green as a candidate for Association of California Water Agencies Vice President. 5/0: Ayes: Gray, Medina, Mulberg Nelson and Scherman.

8. Selection of Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission Special District Commissioner and Alternate Special District Commissioner

Mr. Kamilos presented the item to the Board.

In summary, Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission (LAFCo) is soliciting selection of one (1) Special District Commissioner (Commissioner) and one (1) Special District Alternate Commissioner (Alternate) for the term of January 1, 2022, through December 31, 2025, with a deadline for ballots being November 17, 2021. No District Board members had interest in serving LAFCo and therefore did not nominate anyone from the District. There are three (3) candidates running for Commissioner and two (2) candidates running for Alternate.

The Board voted on their selection for Commissioner and Alternate.

MSC (Nelson/Mulberg) to select Gay Jones to serve as Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission Special District Commissioner for Office No. 7. 5/0: Ayes: Gray, Medina, Mulberg Nelson and Scherman.

MSC (Mulberg/Scherman) to select Charlea Moore to serve as Sacramento Local Agency Formation Commission Alternate Special District Commissioner for Office No. 6 & 7. 5/0: Ayes: Gray, Medina, Mulberg Nelson and Scherman.

9. Groundwater Sustainability Plan Briefing

Mr. Kamilos presented the item to the Board.

In summary, the 2014 Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) established that locally formed Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSA) develop and implement Groundwater Sustainability Plans (GSP) to ensure groundwater resources throughout California are sustainably managed. The GSP that has been developed for the South American Subbasin (SASb) from which the Elk Grove Water District (EGWD) pumps groundwater is nearly completed and is due into the Department of Water Resources by January 31, 2022. Mr. Kamilos provided information on what the SASb GSP entails.

10. General Manager's Report

Mr. Kamilos presented the item to the Board.

Mr. Lee updated the Board on the California Water Arrearage Payment Program, stating he is confident the District will be receiving the \$246,000 requested. He also informed the Board that Governor Newsom had signed Senate Bill (SB) 155, which extends and expands the water shut-off moratorium until at least December 31, 2021, with the potential to extend longer.

Mr. Kamilos provided a drought and conservation update to the Board, stating the District is stable as of now and will be monitoring monthly. He also mentioned that he will be attending a general manager drought conference on November 8, 2021.

11. Legislative Matters and Potential Direction to Staff

Mr. Franklin updated the Board on legislative matters.

12. Elk Grove Water District Operations Report – September 2021

Mr. Kamilos presented the EGWD Operations Report – September 2021 to the Board.

13. Directors Comments

Director Mulberg commented that he received an email that he was being reappointed to the California Special Districts Association Legislative Committee and the Bylaws Committee.

Vice-Chair Nelson explained he will be absent at the next meeting.

Adjourn to Regular Board Meeting on November 16, 2021.

Respectfully submitted,

Stefani Phillips

Stefani Phillips, Board Secretary

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