North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency Rural Community Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

June 27, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Riverdale Community Education Center, **Board Room**

Members Present:

Amanda Monaco

Andrew Zonneveld

Angel Hernandez

Pablo Avila

Vicente Hernandez

Others Present:

Cristel Tufenkjian, Kings River Conservation District

Rebecca Quist, Kings River Conservation District

Members Absent:

Dan Conway

Isabel Solorio

Jim Pettv

Tommy Fritz

Item 1: **CALL TO ORDER** Presenter:

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Cristel Tufenkjian

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The meeting was called to order at 7:07 p.m.

Item 2: **INTRODUCTIONS**

Discussion:

Andrew Zonneveld introduced his experience managing a community water system. He worked with representatives at the County and State level to conduct a pilot study on reverse osmosis water systems to improve water quality. Zonneveld stated his goal as a committee member is to ensure the long-term water needs of his family and the families he represents are met.

Vicente Hernandez discussed the importance of the committee as a way to find balance in the beneficial use of groundwater, especially for people with fewer resources who typically use less.

Angel Hernandez initiated discussion regarding recharge basins and canal water sources. He cited water quality as a concern for the community of Lanare.

Pablo Avila introduced his work as facilities director with Laton Unified School District. His hope is to find sustainable balance with the groundwater supply across the valley. Amanda Monaco works for Leadership Council. They work with the community of Lanare in addition to other communities on drinking water and infrastructure issues.

Actions: None.

Item 3: **CONSIDER AND APPOINT COMMITTEE CHAIR**

Presenter: Cristel Tufenkjian

Discussion:

Tufenkjian outlined the role and responsibility of the Chair. Monaco stated she is willing to serve as Chair for a period of time until another committee member gains experience to do so.

Actions:

Zonneveld motioned to nominate Monaco, seconded by Avila. The Committee was unanimously carried to elect Monaco Chair of the Committee.

(AYES: Monaco, Angel Hernandez, Zonneveld, Avila, Vicente Hernandez; NOES: None; ABSTAIN: None; ABSENT: Conway, Solorio, Petty, Fritz)

Item 4: CONSIDER AND APPOINT COMMITTEE VICE CHAIR Presenter: Chair Monaco

Discussion:

Actions:

Hernandez motioned to nominate Avila, seconded by Zonneveld. Committee unanimously carried to elect Avila as Vice Chair of the Committee.

(Roll call vote for Avila: Angel Hernandez YES, Zonneveld YES, Avila YES, Monaco YES, Vicente Hernandez YES)

Item 5: <u>DISCUSS PURPOSE AND GOALS OF THE COMMITTEE</u> **Presenter:** Chair Monaco

Discussion:

Chair Monaco provided an overview of Article 5 of North Fork Kings GSA By-Laws regarding Board Advisory Committees. Article 5 outlines that the role of the committee is to provide input, recommendations, and feedback to the Board as needed. The Rural Community Advisory Committee is advisory in nature and serves to assist the board to consider the interests of all beneficial uses and users of groundwater.

Actions: None.

Item 6: NEXT MEETING DATE AND PROPOSED AGENDA ITEMS Presenter: Chair Monaco

Discussion:

Committee members discussed preferred date, time, location, and frequency of Committee meetings. Chair Monaco advised meetings be held bi-monthly the week prior to regular North Fork Kings GSA Board meetings. Meeting location is to be determined pending availability. Committee members expressed preference for Tuesdays at 6:00 pm in a neutral location, either Riverdale or Laton. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, August 14th, 2018. Location TBD.

Chair Monaco requested SGMA 101 and North Fork Kings GSA Board agenda as RCAC agenda items.

Chair Monaco discussed Leadership Council's lack of budget for translator. She stated Proposition 1 DWR grant funding covers translation of materials but not personnel time for simultaneous translations. Tufenkjian stated that the North Fork Kings GSA Board also does not have the budget for a translator.

Actions: None.

Item 1:	ADJOURNMENT		Adjourned:	8:15 p.m.
		Respectfully submitted,		
			Board Secret	ary
		approved on September 19, 2018		
Amanda Monaco, Board Chair				

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