North Fork Kings Groundwater Sustainability Agency Regular Meeting Minutes

January 26, 2022 at 5:30 p.m. 3160 W. Mt. Whitney Ave. Riverdale, CA 93656

Members Present:

Buddy Mendes, Division 1
Frank Zonneveld, Division 2
JoAnne Rempp, Division 3
Mark McKean, Division 4
Leonard Acquistapace, Division 5

Members Absent:

Stephen Maddox Jr., Division 6 Tony Campos, Division 7

Others Present:

Charlotte Gallock, Kings River Conservation District Brian Trevarrow, Kings River Conservation District

Kevin Johansen, P&P

Aubrey Mauritson, Legal Counsel (via Phone)

Rodney Kamper

Nataly Escobedo Garcia

Frank Coelho, Jr. Antonio Solario Michael Nordstrom

Angela Islas

Item 1: <u>CALL TO ORDER</u>

The meeting was called to order at 5:32 p.m.

Presenter:

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Chair McKean

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Item 2: PUBLIC COMMENT

<u>Discussion</u>: None. <u>Actions</u>: None.

Item 3: CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Presenter:

Chair McKean

Discussion: None.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Acquistapace, seconded by Director Mendes, and unanimously carried to approve the December 15, 2021 Board Special Meeting minutes.

Ayes: Directors Mendes, Zonneveld, Rempp, McKean, and Acquistapace.

Absent: Directors Maddox and Campos

Item 4: <u>ELECTION OF OFFICERS</u>

Presenter:

Chair McKean

Discussion:

Directors were asked to nominate and elect officers for the positions of Chair, Vice-Chair, and Secretary-Treasurer to serve for the next year.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Mendes, seconded by Director Acquistapace, and unanimously carried to nominate and elect the following slate of officers:

Chair: Mark McKean

Vice-Chair: Buddy Mendes

Secretary-Treasurer: Stephen Maddox, Jr.

Aves: Directors Mendes, Zonneveld, Rempp, McKean, and Acquistapace.

Absent: Directors Maddox and Campos

 Item 5:
 DIRECTOR REPORTS
 Presenter:
 Chair McKean

<u>Discussion</u>: None. Actions: None.

 Item 6:
 STAFF REPORTS
 Presenter:
 Charlotte Gallock

Discussion:

Charlotte Gallock reported on activities and meetings; funding opportunities; and other matters of importance to the Board, including the impending release of the Department of Water Resources Comments on the Kings Subbasin GSP. Board member questions were addressed.

Actions: None.

Item 7: SUPPORT LETTER FOR CRITICALLY OVERDRAFTED Presenter: Charlotte Gallock

BASIN SGMA IMPLEMENTATION ROUND 1
APPLICATION AND FUNDING REQUEST

Discussion:

The Board received information on the letter and the purpose behind the application. Board member questions were addressed.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Zonneveld, seconded by Director Rempp, and unanimously carried to approve the support letter for Critically Overdrafted Basin SGMA Implementation Round 1 Application and Funding Request.

Ayes: Directors Mendes, Zonneveld, Rempp, McKean, and Acquistapace.

Absent: Directors Maddox and Campos

Item 8: FORM 700S Presenter: Mark McKean

Discussion:

The Board was reminded to file their Form 700s by the April 1, 2022 deadline. Directors were informed of who to contact with questions.

Actions: None.

 Item 9:
 FINANCE REPORT
 Presenter:
 Brian Trevarrow

Discussion:

The Board received a report on the finances of the GSA through December 31, 2021.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Zonneveld, seconded by Director Acquistapace, and unanimously carried to approve the Financial Report for the period ending December 31, 2021, as presented.

Ayes: Directors Mendes, Zonneveld, Rempp, McKean, and Acquistapace.

Absent: Directors Maddox and Campos

Item 10:

AUDIT REPORT: FY 2020-2021

Presenter:

Brian Trevarrow

Discussion:

The Board received a report on the audit conducted for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Zonneveld, seconded by Director Mendes, and unanimously carried to approve the Audit Report for the Fiscal Year 2020-2021, as presented.

Aves: Directors Mendes, Zonneveld, Rempp, McKean, and Acquistapace.

Absent: Directors Maddox and Campos

Item 11: STAKEHOLDER OUTREACH AND COMMUNICATIONS

Presenter:

Charlotte Gallock

Discussion:

Charlotte Gallock reported on the landowner Newsletter that was developed and distributed and other outreach activities. Board member questions were addressed.

Actions: None.

Item 12: RURAL COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Presenter:

Charlotte Gallock

<u>REPORT</u>

<u>Discussion</u>:

The RCAC met and reviewed proposed language for the Rules and Regulations, as well as proposed Groundwater Credit application language.

Actions: None.

Item 13:

RURAL COMMUNITY ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Presenter:

Mark McKean

MEMBER REPLACEMENT

<u>Discussion</u>:

The Board was informed of the need to appoint a replacement for Amanda Monaco – formerly of the Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability – on the RCAC: Nataly Escobedo Garcia, who submitted the required application.

Actions:

It was moved by Director Zonneveld, seconded by Director Acquistapace, and unanimously carried to appoint Nataly Escobedo Garcia to serve on the Rural Community Advisory Committee.

Ayes: Directors Mendes, Zonneveld, Rempp, McKean, and Acquistapace.

Absent: Directors Maddox and Campos

Item 14:

POLICY COMMITTEE REPORT

Presenter:

Mark McKean

Discussion:

Mark McKean, with staff and consultant input, reported that the Committee had met and discussed language for a policy on well metering, and that discussions on particulars are continuing in conjunction with the Technical Advisory Committee. Discussions also began around a policy regarding water banking credits. Board member and public questions were addressed.

Actions: None.

Discussion: Mr. Johansen and Ms. Gallock reported to the Board regarding progress in program implementation, activities in other area GSAs to keep abreast of, and expected activities and timelines for the NFKGSA. Board member and public questions were addressed. Actions: None. Item 16: CLOSED SESSION Presenter: Mark McKean Discussion: The Board entered Closed Session at 6:16 p.m. pursuant to Government Code Section 54957(b)(1) PUBLIC EMPLOYER APPOINTMENT/EMPLOYMENT to discuss, consider, and potentially take action on the process whereby an Executive Officer will be recruited, identified, and employed. Actions: None. Item 17: RETURN TO OPEN SESSION/REPORT ACTIONS Presenter: Mark McKean Discussion: The Board returned to Open Session at 6:29 p.m. Actions: In Closed Session, it was moved by Director Mendes, seconded by Director Zonneveld, and unanimously carried to form an Ad Hoc Personnel Committee for the purpose of determining the process whereby an Executive Officer will be recruited, identified, and employed, and to appoint the following to said ad hoc committee: Buddy Mendes Stephen Maddox, Jr. Mark McKean Ayos: Directors Mendes, Zonnevold, Rempp, McKean, and Acquistapace. Absent: Directors Maddox and Campos Item 18: NEXT MEETING DATE AND PROPOSED AGENDA Presenter: Chair McKean TIEMS Discussion: The next scheduled meeting of the Board will be February 23, 2022. Actions: None. Respectfully submitted, Board Secretary Board Chair	Item 15:	GSP PROGRAM UPDATE	Presenter:	Kevin Johansen
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