

Minutes of the Regular Board Meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency – April 5, 2021

A regular board meeting of the Board of Directors of the Santa Clarita Valley Groundwater Sustainability Agency (SCV-GSA) was held via web and teleconference at 2:30 PM on Monday, April 5, 2021. A copy of the Agenda is inserted in the Minute Book of the SCV-GSA preceding these minutes.

DIRECTORS PRESENT: B.J. Atkins, Russ Bryden, William C. Cooper, Maria Gutzeit, Gary Martin, Gina Natoli, Jason Gibbs

DIRECTORS ABSENT: None

Also present via web and teleconference: SCV-GSA General Counsel Tom Bunn, SCV-GSA Board Secretary Eunie Kang, SCV Water; Assistant General Manager Steve Cole, Director of Water Resources Dirk Marks, Principal Water Resource Planner Rick Viergutz, Communications Manager Kathie Martin; and various members of the public.

President Atkins called the meeting to order at 2:30 PM. A quorum was present.

Item 1.3: There was no public comment.

Item 1.4: Upon motion of Director Martin, seconded by Vice President Natoli and carried, the Agenda was approved by the following roll call votes:

President Atkins	Yes	Director Gutzeit	Yes
Director Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Vice President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Yes		

Item 2: Upon motion of Director Cooper, seconded by Director Gutzeit and carried, the Board approved the Consent Calendar by the following roll call votes:

President Atkins	Yes	Director Gutzeit	Yes
Director Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Vice President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Yes		

Item 3.1: Steve Cole introduced for Board consideration on the proposed rotation schedule for filing the SCV-GSA Board President and Board Vice-President positions.

After discussion, the Board agreed on the recommended schematic for the 2021 Board President and Board Vice-President positions which the Board will appoint at agenda item 4. Further, the Board tabled the approval of the rotating schedule to appoint future Board President and Board Vice President positions and asked that the GSA staff redesign the schematic and bring back to the Board for consideration at the next regular SCV-GSA board meeting.

There was public comment on item 3.1.

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Item 3.2: Upon motion of Director Cooper, seconded by Director Martin and carried, the Board approved the SCV-GSA Resolution No. GSA 2021-01 Revising Norms and Expectations for the Stakeholder Advisory Committee with the last six words “or include it in campaign materials” omitted from the fifth (5) bullet point relevant clause of the Resolution and the Agreement to Abide by the Norms and Expectations for the Stakeholder Advisory Committee by the following roll call votes:

President Atkins	Yes	Director Gutzeit	Yes
Director Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Vice President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Yes		

There was public comment on item 3.2.

RESOLUTION NO. GSA 2021-01

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE SANTA CLARITA VALLEYGROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY REVISING NORMS AND EXPECTATIONS FOR THE STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE

WHEREAS, in Resolution No. GSA 2019-05, the Board of Directors, seeking significant outreach and public process, established the Stakeholder Advisory Committee and established Norms and Expectations for the committee; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution provided that the Board of Directors could dismiss and appoint replacement committee members consistent with the guidelines in Resolution No. GSA 2019-06; and

WHEREAS, the Resolution required committee members to adhere to the Norms and Expectations; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors wishes to revise the Norms and Expectations to add a provision regarding ballot designations for elective office;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, the Norms and Expectations are revised to read as follows:

- o Demonstrate good manners, courtesy, and consideration.
- o Respect your fellow advisory committee members and elected officials.
- o Conduct yourself in a professional way in meetings and in the public.
- o Members may never use the position to solicit for personal gain.
- o Members may not use their position on the committee as a basis for a ballot designation, profession, or occupation for elective office.
- o During meetings, stay on task in accordance with the presented agenda.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, members must agree in writing to abide by the Norms and

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Expectations as a condition of being appointed to or remaining on the committee.

**SANTA CLARITA GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
STAKEHOLDER ADVISORY COMMITTEE
AGREEMENT TO ABIDE BY NORMS AND EXPECTATIONS**

I, _____, agree to abide by the Norms and Expectations for the Stakeholder Advisory Committee established by the Board of Directors, as follows. I understand that I must agree to the Norms and Expectations as a condition of being appointed to or remaining on the committee.

- I agree to demonstrate good manners, courtesy, and consideration.
- I agree to respect my fellow advisory committee members and elected officials.
- I agree to conduct myself in a professional way in meetings and in the public.
- I agree never to use the position to solicit for personal gain.
- I agree it is improper to use my position on the committee as a basis for a ballot designation, profession, or occupation for elective office, and I agree not to do so.
- During meetings, I agree to stay on task in accordance with the presented agenda.

Dated: _____

Item 3.3: Rick Viergutz presented a status update of the Sustainable Groundwater Plan (SGMA) Implementation Activities.

Topics covered:

- SCV-GSA SAC Meeting and Public Workshops
- Development of GSP Monitoring Program
- Development of Projects and Management Actions

Item 3.4: Upon motion of Vice President Natoli, seconded by Director Martin and carried, the Board approved the use of contingency funds for the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) Outreach Consultant CV Strategies by the following roll call votes:

President Atkins	Yes	Director Gutzeit	Yes
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Director Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Vice President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Yes		

Item 3.5: Rick Viergutz provided a status update of the IRWM and Measure W Topics covered:

- Draft and Final Grant Agreement
- Future Round 2 Funding
- Safe Clean Water Program
- Arundo Removal
- Stormwater Recharge Projects

There was public comment on item 3.5.

Item 3.6: Steve Cole gave a verbal update on the status of the Bouquet Canyon Creek. The GSA staff and LA County Department of Public Works interim is working on solutions and improvements. Recently, SCV Water approved a grant funded project to pursue a pipeline improvement along Bouquet Canyon towards Vasquez and LARC Ranch location.

Item 3.7: Upon motion of Director Gibbs, seconded by Vice President Natoli and carried, the Board approved the Postponement of the Regular Board Meeting on Monday, July 5, 2021, to Monday, July 12, 2021, by the following roll call votes:

President Atkins	Yes	Director Gutzeit	Yes
Director Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Vice President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Yes		

Item 4: Upon motion of Director Martin, seconded by Director Cooper and carried, Vice President Natoli was elected to the position of Board President and Director Gutzeit was elected to position of Board Vice President by the following roll call votes:

President Atkins	Yes	Director Gutzeit	Yes
Director Bryden	Yes	Director Martin	Yes
Director Cooper	Yes	Vice President Natoli	Yes
Director Gibbs	Yes		

President Natoli officiated the remainder of the meeting.

Item 5: Director Atkins requested a periodic update on the status of the Bouquet Canyon Creek.

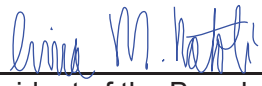
Item 6: The meeting was adjourned at 4:23 PM.

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Eunie Kang, Board Secretary

ATTEST:



President of the Board