

SITES PROJECT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF MEETING

March 25, 2015

Chair Durst called the special meeting of the Sites Project Joint Powers Authority (Sites JPA) Board of Directors to order at 1:30 p.m. The meeting was held at Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District, 344 East Laurel Street, Willows, California 95988.

Present:

County of Colusa, Kim Dolbow Vann

County of Glenn, Leigh McDaniel

Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District (GCID), Don Bransford

Maxwell Irrigation District (MID), Greg Mensik

Reclamation District 108 (RD 108), Fritz Durst

Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (YCFC&WD), Tim O'Halloran

Absent:

Tehama Colusa Canal Authority (TCCA)

Also Present:

Gary Evans, County of Colusa; Jeff Sutton, TCCA; Sean Doherty, Lewis Bair, RD 108; Sandy Denn, Thad Bettner, Laurie Merrill Murray, Mary Spooner Danley GCID; Donita Hendrix, Dunnigan Water District; Lisa Hunter, Glenn County Ag Department; Mary Fahey, Colusa County Ag Department; Oscar Serrano, Colusa Indian Community; John Kenny, Kenny Snowden & Norine; Larry Mandelberg, Mandelberg Consultants; Jim Wiekling, DWR; Ron Ganzfried, USBR; Mary Wells, Lady Bug Doherty, Steve Dennis, Zack Dennis, Landowners; Mark Salmon; Gary Darling, Interested Parties

Approve Agenda

Director Mensik moved to approve the agenda, Director Vann seconded the motion, and the agenda was unanimously approved by the following vote:

AYES: Directors Vann, McDaniel, Bransford, Mensik, Durst and O'Halloran

NOES: None

Public Participation

Chair Durst called for public participation. Lady Bug Doherty, a landowner in the proposed Sites Reservoir project area, addressed the board regarding the water level of the reservoir.

GOVERNANCE AND INTERNAL ORGANIZATION

Review and Consider Approval of Alternative Access Routes, Alternate Conveyance Alignment and Recreation Areas In and Around the Proposed Sites Reservoir

Alternate Director Evans reported that he has been working with Colusa County staff to develop alternatives for access routes to be included in the locally preferred alternative. Alternatives include leaving the bridge across the reservoir with slight alignment modifications to take advantage of existing ground elevations in the reservoir bottom, considering alternative access routes in and around the proposed reservoir, consider

alternate conveyance alignment that would move the pipeline adjacent to or under existing county roads. URS Consultants have noted that some changes may need to be made to avoid excess pipeline bends. Also discussed was reducing the recreation areas to two main sites on the east and west side of the reservoir, as the other proposed sites would be of little use when the reservoir elevation was fluctuating and low.

Review and Consider Approval of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and the Project Management Plan (PMP) with US Bureau of Reclamation (USBR)

The General Managers' Technical Group has been working with USBR staff to complete a draft of the MOU and the PMP.

The PMP will be attached to the MOU as the scope of work to be conducted. The PMP is a living document that will be amended, improved, and changed as the work plan moves forward. The General Managers' Technical Group will continue to provide input to the PMP to develop a final draft that will initiate implementation of the planning activities.

The scope of the agreement will need to be restructured and will be brought back to the Board at the next regularly scheduled board meeting.

Review and Discuss Project Agreement for Investor Contributions for Planning Activities

Counsel John Kenny distributed a draft investors' agreement. The draft agreement is consistent with the by-laws of the Sites Project Authority Joint Exercise of Powers Agreement. If the Board is going to solicit for funding, it would be beneficial to have something to give investors as assurance for a future return from their investment.

Director Vann would like to hold an open discussion, specific to the bond language, to bring in possible investors. Chair Durst asked Director Vann to meet with the General Managers' Technical Group and Counsel Kenny to finalize the agreement for the next Board meeting.

The Board adjourned for lunch at 11:45 a.m.

The Board reconvened at 12:10 p.m.

Discussion on Role of General Manager

Consultant Larry Mandelberg provided guidance on how to work effectively to reach common ground on the roles and objectives the Board would like the possible incoming General Manager to achieve.

OTHER BUSINESS

The next Board meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 1, 2015, at the Tehama Colusa Canal Authority in Willows.

ADJOURNMENT

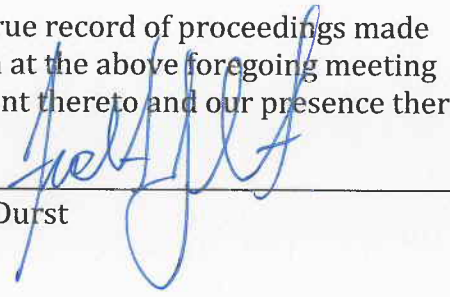
The meeting adjourned at 4:39 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Kim Dolbow Vann
Secretary to the Board

Attest a true record of proceedings made
and taken at the above foregoing meeting
our consent thereto and our presence thereat.



Fredrick Durst