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October 26, 2022

Sites Project Authority – Minutes

CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL/PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Chair Durst called the Sites Project Authority Board (AB) Meeting to order at the hour of 1:30 P.M., followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS:

Chair Durst asked those present to introduce themselves.

AGENDA APPROVAL:

It was moved by Director Sutton, seconded by Director Allen to approve the October 26, 2022, Authority Board Agenda. Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

ANNOUNCEMENT OF CLOSED SESSION:

Counsel Doud announced the Authority Board of Directors would consider Closed Session matters 5.1 through 5.4.

PERIOD FOR PUBLIC COMMENT:

Chair Durst called for a period for public comment. Hearing none, he closed the period for public comment.

1:36 P.M. Director Parker is now present and seated.

1. CONSENT AGENDA:

Chair Durst made time to consider consent agenda item numbers 1.1 through 1.3 as follows:

- 1.1 Consider approval of September 16, 2022, Joint Reservoir Committee (RC) & Authority Board Meeting Minutes.
- 1.2 Consider acceptance of the Sites Project Authority Treasurer's Report.
- 1.3 Consider approval of the Payment of Claims.

Director Sutton spoke to consent agenda item 1.1, the September 16th Joint RC & AB meeting minutes, regarding public comments throughout the meeting and asked how they were reflected in the minutes.

Executive Director Brown confirmed the public comments section of the minutes reflects a high-level summary of referenced public comments made at the September 16th Joint RC & AB Meeting, including those made under the Period For Public Comment and those made during specific agenda items. Mr. Brown said he would consult with the AB/RC Chairs to confirm if they wish to make any revisions to this practice.

ACTION

It was moved by Director Evans, seconded by Director Dennis to approve consent agenda Item numbers 1.1 through 1.3. **Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes, except Chairman Durst (Reclamation District 108), who abstained.**

2. ACTION ITEMS:

- 2.1 Consider approval of Resolution No. 2022-02 commending Senator Nielsen for his dedicated service as a State Legislator and his ongoing support for the Sites Reservoir Project.

Senator Nielsen spoke to the history of his leadership and involvement in the Sites Reservoir Project.

Board members expressed their gratitude and appreciation for Senator Nielsen and how the outcomes of his previous leadership will continue to impact the future of Sites.

ACTION:

It was moved by Director Sutton, seconded by Director Evans to approve Resolution No. 2022-02 commending Senator Nielsen for his dedicated service as a State Legislator and his ongoing support for the Sites Reservoir Project. **Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.**

- 2.2 Accept the approval of the 2023 Reservoir Committee Meeting Calendar and consider the approval of the coordinated 2023 Authority Board Meeting Calendar.

Discussion was held on changing the December 22, 2023 Joint meeting date.

Executive Director Brown acknowledged there would be further review of an alternative date for the December 2023 Joint Reservoir Committee and Authority Board meeting.

Director Evans made note to his approval of the 2.2 agenda item, as written for now.

ACTION:

It was moved by Director Evans, seconded by Director Marsh to accept the approval of the 2023 Reservoir Committee Meeting Calendar and approve the coordinated 2023 Authority Board Meeting Calendar.

Motion carried: All Directors present voted yes.

3. Discussion and Information Items:

3.1 Review and comment on the Amendment 3 Work Plan Update and Draft 2023 Annual Budget.

Mr. Maltby gave a presentation on the Draft 2023 Annual Budget and spoke to the following:

- Amendment 3 Work Plan.
- Annual review of changes to goals and objectives, expense and revenue budget adjustments & approval, and cash call recommendations.
- Recommendation for 2023 cash call is \$100/AF.
- 2023 budget reflects the shifting of Geotech field activities dependent on land access and delays in permitting and the Water Right.
- Authority Board Dues.
- Plans to revisit the discussion of increasing the communications budget.

Traynham suggested updating the revenue budget report to correctly reflect the undesignated carryover of \$9.3 million from the Amendment 2 closeout and the partial allocation of those funds to 2022 activities to eliminate any confusion between the two publicly available reports.

Brief discussion followed.

4. Reports:

4.1 Chairpersons' Report:

None

4.2 Authority Board Committee Chairpersons' Reports:

None.

4.3 Authority Board Participant Reports:

Director Evans spoke to the public perspective of the Geotech work in the Sites canyon.

Director Parker noted there have been public questions regarding the Geotech work in the middle of the road and Mr. Brown clarified they are trying to stay in the Right of Way.

4.4 Executive Director's Reports:

Executive Director Brown spoke to the following:

- Community Working Group meeting on October 6th.
- Sites received thirty million as part of the Infrastructure Bill.
- USFWS proposed listing longfin smelt, project covering in a conference opinion.
- Monthly Status Report, Work Plan Progress Report and Meetings Action Items Summary.

Chair Durst declared a recess at 2:38 P.M to convene into Closed Session to consider Closed Session matters 5.1 through 5.4.

5. Closed Session:

- 5.1 Conference with legal counsel regarding significant exposure to litigation or adjudicatory proceedings (Gov. Code §§54956.9(d)(2) and (4)).
- 5.2 Negotiations concerning water rights permit terms and conditions (Govt. Code §54956.9(c) and §54956.9(d)(4)).
- 5.3 Negotiations concerning Sites Project operation terms, conditions, and agreements with the Department of Interior, Bureau of Reclamation (Gov. Code 54956.6(c)).
- 5.4 Public Employee Performance Evaluation, Executive Director (Govt. Code §§54957).

Chair Durst adjourned Closed Session at 3:48 P.M. and reconvened into Open Session.

6. Report from Closed Session

Counsel Doud stated as to Closed Session matters there was no reportable action taken.

7. Recap:

7.1 Suggested Future Agenda Items.

None.

7.2 Upcoming Meetings:

Plan of Finance – Credit and Reserves Workshop

Friday, October 28, 2022 (9:00 – 10:30 am)

Reservoir Committee

Friday, November 18, 2022 (9:00 am to 12:00 pm)

Authority Board Meeting

Monday, November 21, 2022 (1:30 to 4:00 pm)

Chairman Durst adjourned the October 26, 2022 Authority Board Meeting at the hour of 3:50 P.M.

Fritz Durst, Chairman

Sandra Yarbrough, Board Clerk

Current Voting Authority Board Participants:

<i>Participant</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Representative</i>	<input type="checkbox"/> <i>Alternate/Delegate</i>
Colusa County	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gary Evans	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mike Azevedo
Colusa County Water District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Joe Marsh	<input type="checkbox"/> Hal Charter <input type="checkbox"/> Shelly Murphy
Glenn County	<input type="checkbox"/> Thomas Arnold	<input type="checkbox"/> TBD
Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Logan Dennis	<input type="checkbox"/> John Amaro
Reclamation District 108	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fritz Durst	<input type="checkbox"/> Sean Doherty
City of Roseville / Placer County Water Agency	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Gray Allen	<input type="checkbox"/> Joshua Alpine
Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Sutton	<input type="checkbox"/> Halbert Charter
City of Sacramento / Sacramento County Water Agency	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Jeff Harris	<input type="checkbox"/> Brett Ewart <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Anne Sanger <input type="checkbox"/> Bill Busath
Westside Water District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Doug Parker	<input type="checkbox"/> Zach Dennis

Associate Members (2 non-voting):

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Western Canal Water District	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Ted Trimble	<input type="checkbox"/> Greg Johnson

Non-Voting Committee Participants (2):

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Bureau of Reclamation	<input type="checkbox"/> Richard Welsh	<input type="checkbox"/> Don Bader <input type="checkbox"/> Chris Duke
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