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May 15, 2017 Sites Project Authority MINUTES 1:30 p.m.

The Sites Project Authority Board meets in Regular Session this 15th day of May 2017 at the hour of 1:37 p.m. **Directors Present:** Kim Dolbow Vann, Chair, Fritz Durst, Jamie Traynham, Jeff Sutton, Joe Marsh, Jim Jones, Wade Mathis and Greg Johnson. **Directors Absent:** Leigh McDaniel, John Viegas, Glenn County, Don Bransford, Logan Dennis, Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District, Mary Wells, Joe Richter, Maxwell Irrigation District, and Gray Allan, Placer County Water Agency/City of Roseville. **Alternate Director Present:** Joshua Alpine, Placer County Water Agency. (Other Alternate Directors that may be listed as Present below, did not participate in the decision making process).

Chair Vann calls to order the May 15, 2017 Regular Meeting at 1:37 p.m., with all Directors/Alternates present, except Glenn County, Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District and Maxwell Irrigation District. (Glenn County, Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District and Maxwell Irrigation District has no representation at this meeting)

Staff Present: Jim Watson, General Manager.
Ernest Conant, Counsel. (Attended via conference call)
Rob Thomson, Sites JPA.
Kim Davis, Sites JPA.
Ann Nordyke, Clerk.

Others Present: Scott Brown, LWA.
Charlene Vaughn, Accounting.
Jeff Herrin, Kevin Spesert, AECOM.
Dan Flory, Provost & Pritchard.
Emil Cavagnolo, OAWD.
Walter Michael, Golden State Risk Management.

Nadine Bailey, FWA.
 Andy Felks, PCWA.
 Juleah Cordi, Assemblyman Gallagher.
 Don Bader, John Menniti, Reclamation.
 Ron Roman, Operating Engineers.
 Rebecca Nicholas, JB Comm.

Pledge of Allegiance.

INTRODUCTIONS

None.

AGENDA APPROVAL

It is moved by Director Traynham, seconded by Director Sutton to approve the May 15, 2017 Sites Project Authority Agenda. Motion carried: All yes. Absent: Glenn County, Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District and Maxwell Irrigation District.

MINUTES APPROVAL

It is moved by Director Johnson, seconded by Director Jones to approve the April 17, 2017 Sites Project Authority Minutes as presented. Motion carried by the following vote:

AYES: Westside Water District, Tehama-Colusa Canal Authority, Colusa County Water Works, Orland Artois Water District, Placer County Water Agency/City of Roseville, Proberta Water District/TC 6 Districts and Western Canal Water District.

NOES: None.

ABSENT: Glenn County, Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District and Maxwell Irrigation District.

ABSTAIN: Colusa County and RD 108.

PERIOD OF PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

1. BOARD MEMBER REPORTS: (No action will be taken)

Directors Durst and Johnson speak to meetings/events attended, noting the project is getting quite a bit of positive feedback. Brief discussion is held, with no action taken.

2. 2017 FINANCE & BUDGET COMMITTEE:

2.1 Revenue:

Chair Vann makes time for discussion/direction to staff regarding the status of revenue received to date for both the Authority and Reservoir Committee.

Discussion is held regarding improper billing, reconciled accounts,

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invoicing and payments, with no action taken.

2.2 It is moved by Director Durst, seconded by Director Jones to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented. Motion carried: All yes. Absent: Glenn County, Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District and Maxwell Irrigation District.

2.3 It is moved by Director Durst, seconded by Director Sutton to approve the Payment of Claims as presented. Motion carried: All yes. Absent: Glenn County, Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District and Maxwell Irrigation District.

1:55 p.m. Director Bransford, (Glenn-Colusa ID) is now present and seated.

3. PHASE 1 MEMBERSHIP & GOVERNANCE COMMITTEE:

3.1 Chair Vann makes time for discussion/direction and possible action regarding the status of expressions of interest and/or requests to participate.

Mr. Watson briefly updates those Directors present on matters as they pertain to expressed interest in the project and/or requests to participate. Discussion is held, with no action taken.

3.2 Chair Vann makes time for discussion/direction to staff regarding the updated committee and work group structure.

Mr. Watson summarizes the Authority's Committees and Reservoir Committee's working groups for Phase 1 that will address specific issues related to advancing the Project. He further states a charter document for each respective Committee and Work Group defines its roles and responsibilities. Discussion is held, with no action taken.

4. PHASE 1 LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE:

Chair Vann makes time for discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the status of current legislation that may affect the development of the Sites Reservoir Project.

Discussion is held regarding pump back storage, Garamendi's proposed bill, sending a letter of support and a new water bond, with no action taken.

5. PHASE 1 ADVOCACY COMMITTEE:

Chair Vann makes time for discussion and possible direction to staff on the status of engagement and outreach efforts related to the following areas:

5.1 Media

Ms. Nicholas speaks to editorial meetings, working on animation, signs regarding Project benefits, land owner meetings, individuals to speak at the Water Commission meetings and a one page leave behind postcard with information regarding Sites.

5.2 Water Industry

- Association of California Water Agency's (ACWA) Conference (May 9 - 12)

- ACWA Storage Integration Report - pending release
- Department of Water Resources (DWR) Water Available for Replenishment (WAFR) Report

Mr. Watson speaks to the above mentioned items, with no action taken.

5.3 Academia

- April 23 SF State University tour

Mr. Watson states Ms. Wells hosted about 30 students, very good and very informative.

Chair Vann revisits Item 4 Phase 1 Legislative Committee and inquires if there is anything to report from the CAP to CAP meeting.

Mr. Alpine updates those Directors present regarding the CAP to CAP meeting, noting Sites is well received.

6. PHASE 1 CONSULTATION COMMITTEES:

Chair Vann makes time for discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the status of engagement and outreach efforts related to the following areas:

6.1 Tribal Officials

Mr. Watson states a second round of letters have went out. Brief discussion is held, with no action taken.

6.2 Landowner and Community Interests

- Family Water Alliance status of the Sites Cemetery research

Ms. Bailey updates those directors present regarding Sites Cemetery research.

6.2 Environmental Interests

No discussion held.

6.3 Business & labor Interests

Mr. Bransford states there has been a series of meetings with NGO'S. He further states he met last week with Fish & Wildlife regarding concerns about flows and what the impacts will be.

7. PHASE 1 LAND USE COMMITTEE:

Chair Vann makes time for discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the status of engagement and outreach efforts related to changes in land use.

Nothing to report at this time.

8. PHASE 1 RESERVOIR COMMITTEE:

8.1 General: Discussion and possible direction to the General Manager regarding the April 17 21, 2017 Reservoir Committee meeting.

Mr. Watson gives a brief update, noting the Reservoir Committee will be

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meeting again on Thursday.

Director Traynham states the correct date of the meeting is the 21st.

8.2 Environmental Impact Report and Environmental Impact Statement (EIR/S):

Chair Vann makes time for a presentation/status of the working draft EIR/S to identify topic areas the Board would like to have presented at either a series of workshops or at the June 19, 2017 Board meeting.

Mr. Thomson states they have completed major revisions from 2014 PDEIR/S, updated existing conditions, no action, cumulative projects, updated project descriptions and alternatives, added environmental commitments to Project, update/revised impacts analyses, provided current draft for internal review and revised current draft for Cooperative Agency review. He speaks further to the following:

Facilities Designs,
Operations based on existing regulatory constraints,
Document work group review of ADEIR/S
Reservoir Committee consideration of ADEIR/S and
recommendation, and
Sites Board consideration of ADEIR/S and determination regarding
the WSIP application.

Discussion is held, with no action taken.

8.3 Water Storage Investment Program (WSIP) Application to the Water Commission:

Chair Vann makes time for a presentation regarding the status of work in progress to address the application requirements to identify topic areas the Board would like to have presented at either a series of workshops or at the June 19, 2017 Board meeting.

Mr. Herrin speaks to the following:

Application Development,
How Do You Monetize Benefits,
Sites Reservoir Benefits,
Cost Allocation,
Sites Benefits,
Cost Assignment,
Public Benefit Ratio, and
Overall Benefit to Cost Ratio.

Further discussion is held regarding holding a workshop in June.

Following discussion it is the consensus of those Board members present to hold a workshop on June 12, 2017.

9. MANAGER'S REPORT:

9.1 Chair Vann makes time for discussion and possible direction to staff regarding the General Managers monthly status report.

Mr. Watson states the principle activities approved as part of the amended Phase 1 work plan are underway with consultant work products being submitted for review and comment. He states further based on the Water Commission's schedule, work is on track to have the application ready in July 2018, with will include a draft feasibility report.

9.2 Chair Vann makes time for discussion/direction regarding the status of various activities being undertaken by staff.

Mr. Spesert gives a brief update regarding the repairs of the Sites building in Maxwell due to the flooding in February. Discussion is held, with no action taken.

Chair Vann adjourned the meeting at 4:05 p.m. to reconvene in Regular Session on June 19, 2017 at the hour of 1:30 p.m.

Kim Dolbow Vann, Chair

Ann Nordyke, Clerk to the
Sites Board