

SITES PROJECT JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY

MINUTES OF MEETING

November 7, 2012

Chair LaGrande called the meeting of the Sites Project Joint Powers Authority (Sites JPA) Board of Directors to order at 1:33 p.m. The meeting was held at the Colusa County Board of Supervisors' Chambers, 546 Jay Street, Colusa, California 95932.

Present:

County of Glenn, Leigh McDaniel
Glenn-Colusa Irrigation District (GCID), Don Bransford
Reclamation District 108 (RD 108), Fritz Durst
Tehama Colusa Canal Authority (TCCA), Ken LaGrande
Yolo County Flood Control and Water Conservation District (YCFC&WD), Ron Tadlock

Absent:

County of Colusa
Maxwell Irrigation District (MID)

Also Present:

Bill Worall, Dan Ruiz, MID; Wade Mathis, Jeff Sutton, TCCA; Sean Doherty, RD 108; Thad Bettner, Mary Spooner Danley, GCID; Lester Messina, Glenn County Ag Department; Oscar Serrano, Colusa Indian Community; Peter Rude, CH2M Hill; Jim Bond, Bond Tax and Financial Services; John Kenny, Kenny Snowden and Norine

Approve Agenda

Director McDaniel moved to approve the agenda, Director Tadlock seconded the motion and the agenda was approved by unanimous vote.

Public Participation

Chair LaGrande called for public participation and as no one from the public wished to address the Board, the meeting continued.

Minutes

Director Durst moved to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2012, meeting, Director McDaniel seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved by unanimous vote.

FINANCIAL CONSIDERATIONS

Approve Payment of Claims and Accept Treasurer's Report

Director Durst moved, Director McDaniel seconded and it was unanimously voted to accept the Treasurer's Report as presented, and to approve the payment of claims #1023 through #1026, inclusively, in the amount of Two Thousand, Twenty-Eight Dollars and Ninety-Five Cents (\$2,028.95).

Review Draft 2013 Budget

Jim Bond, of Bond Tax and Financial Services, reviewed the 2013 budget that included revisions he was directed to make at the Sites JPA September 5, 2012, meeting. The Board revised the percentage that the General Manager would be reimbursed from the grant funds.

Director McDaniel moved to amend the agenda to include agenda item 5b to read "Consider and Approve Draft 2013 Budget." Director Bransford seconded the motion to amend the agenda and it was unanimously voted to approve the amended agenda.

Director Durst moved to accept the 2013 budget as corrected, Director McDaniel seconded and the budget was passed by unanimous vote.

Consider and Approve Audit Services

Jim Bond reported that the Sites JPA had received two audit proposals. It was recommended that the board retain Tittle and Company, LLP to perform audit services and to contract with them for three years to secure the lowest rate for such services.

Director Durst moved to retain Tittle and Company, LLP to perform audit services for a period of three years, Director McDaniel seconded and the proposal was accepted by unanimous vote.

GOVERNANCE AND INTERNAL ORGANIZATION

Appoint Director and Alternate Director to ACWA JPIA

Director Durst moved and Director Tadlock seconded to appoint Director Evans as the ACWA JPIA Director, and to appoint Director McDaniel as the Alternate ACWA JPIA Director. The motion passed by unanimous vote.

Execute the CALFED Bay-Delta Surface Storage Study Program Cost-Share Agreement

Director Durst moved to execute the **CALFED Bay-Delta Surface Storage Study Program Cost-Share Agreement** and have the Chair sign the agreement on behalf of the Sites JPA, Director McDaniel seconded the motion, and the motion was approved by unanimous vote.

Regular Business

It was agreed that the regularly scheduled meeting of December 5, 2012, would be rescheduled to January 2, 2013, due to several Directors planning to attend the Association of California Water Agencies conference that week.

Meeting Reports

GCID General Manager Thad Bettner distributed a status update of the NODOS EIS/EIR showing which chapters were complete and the dates the remaining chapters would be complete.

He also reported that there will be a strategy meeting on November 29, 2012, with Sites JPA managers and DWR personnel to discuss an outreach program to keep the public informed and updated on the Sites Reservoir project.

A letter is being prepared requesting various legislators' support of the Senate bill that would provide water supply flexibility and the opportunity to accelerate the development of additional water supplies. Section 207 simply authorizes the Bureau of Reclamation to provide funds to the local non-federal sponsors of the four CAL-FED storage projects.

Closed Session

Closed session: Public Employee Recruitment/Appointment (Gov. Code Section 54957)
Title: General Manager

The Board went into Closed Session at 2:31 p.m.


The Board reconvened at 3:10 p.m.

It was decided to interview candidates for General Manager and declare a special board meeting on November 28 and/or 29, 2012, to conduct the interviews. Staff was directed to contact the four companies who sent a proposal for the General Manager position and set the time, date and place for the interviews to be conducted.

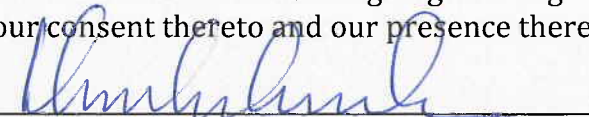
Adjournment

The meeting adjourned at 3:15 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,


Donald R. Bransford
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.



Kenneth M. LaGrande