

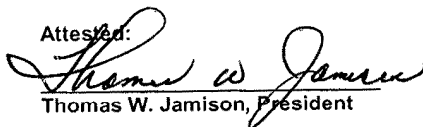
VENTURA RIVER WATER DISTRICT  
REGULAR MEETING HELD OCTOBER 8, 2014

Pursuant to due and official notice, a regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Ventura River Water District was held at 409 Old Baldwin Road, Ojai, California on October 8, 2014.

Directors present were J. Curtis, T. Jamison, B. Kuebler, E. Lee, and M. Hanson. Also present were General Manager/Board Secretary B. Rapp, Office Assistant/recording secretary Nancy Padilla, and Counsel P. Huff. Representing Kear Groundwater was Mr. Jordan Kear.

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER – President T. Jamison called the meeting to order at 3:00 o'clock p.m.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by T. Jamison.
3. CONSENT AGENDA – A. FINANCIAL EXPENDITURES FOR AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER 2014 AND FINANCIAL REPORT FOR JUNE 2014.  
  
J. Curtis moved for approval of the consent agenda, seconded by M. Hanson and carried 5-0.
4. PUBLIC COMMENT – None.
5. GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY LEGISLATION - On September 16, 2014 Governor Brown signed three bills known as the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act. The legislation requires that a Groundwater Sustainability Agency be formed over the Upper Ventura River Sub-basin by January 1, 2017. Director B. Kuebler with assistance from B. Rapp prepared a detailed summary of the legislation for the Board to review. President Jamison appointed a Groundwater Sustainability subcommittee of B. Kuebler and E. Lee. M. Hanson moved to approve the Staff recommendations to; 1) Work with other local water agencies to explore sending a joint letter to the Department of Water Resources (DWR) requesting reevaluation of the ranking of the Upper Ventura River Sub-basin. 2) Direct the committee to explore the options for the make-up of a Groundwater Sustainability Agency. Seconded by B. Kuebler and carried. 5-0
6. BUDGET TRANSFER #1 FOR WELL #3 – With the continuing drought conditions Staff recommends that the most beneficial well work is to replace Well #3. Three monitoring wells have been drilled to determine the best placement for a replacement well. Staff recommends removing all funding for Well #6 in the current budget and to move it to the Well #3 replacement project. J. Curtis moved to approve Budget Transfer #1, From: 91500048 Well #6 \$320,000. To: 91500017 Well #3 Monitoring Wells \$320,000. Seconded by M. Hanson and carried 5-0.
7. POSTER FOR STEELHEAD CONFERENCE – Director B. Kuebler and B. Rapp will attend the first annual steelhead conference in Ventura on October 21, 2014. The conference will present Steelhead issues and recovery strategies in Ventura County. The conference includes a poster session and participants are encouraged to present posters. A draft poster and a paper prepared by Director B. Kuebler describing the relationship of Steelhead migratory flows and groundwater pumping in the Upper Ventura River Sub-basin was reviewed and approved.
8. GENERAL MANAGER'S REPORT WELLS, WATER PRODUCTION AND USAGE UPDATE – B. Rapp reported that the water level in Well # 2 was at 75 feet below the surface, down 4.5 feet since the first of last month, and 23.6 feet below the 25 year average for October 1<sup>st</sup>. Well #1 is pumping 747 GPM down 23 GPM from last month. Well #3 is pumping 222 GPM down 43 GPM. Wells #2 & 4 are not pumping due to low water levels. Total well production is 969 GPM down 66 GPM from last month. Customer usage was 45,627 hcf, a decrease of 27% below the 63,102 hcf used in September 2013.
9. OLD BUSINESS AND NEW BUSINESS – B. Rapp reported that the AWA of Ventura County will hold a Waterwise Breakfast on October 16<sup>th</sup>. B. Rapp and J. Curtis will attend. B. Rapp reported that he was asked by the Ventura County Special District's Association to serve as Vice President. The Board felt that with the formation of a Groundwater Sustainability Agency and drilling of a new well and all the other goals set for the year it would be difficult to find the time to serve effectively. B. Rapp reported that Ethics Training for the Board of Directors will be held at the District office on November 13, 2014 at 10:00 o'clock a.m.
10. MEETING ADJOURNMENT - On motion duly seconded at 4:18 o'clock p.m. the meeting was adjourned

Attested:

  
Thomas W. Jamison, President

  
Bert J. Rapp, Secretary