# MOUND BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY DRAFT MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING AUGUST 17, 2017

Directors present were: Joe McDermott, Glenn Shephard, and Mike Mobley, Allen Camp, and Conner Everts. Also present was: Interim Executive Director Jennifer Tribo. Public present were Debra Martinez and Tony Morgan.

- 1. CALL TO ORDER Chair Mobley called the meeting to order at 10:31 A.M.
- **2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE** Led by Chair Mobley.

#### 3. DIRECTOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Director McDermott announced that the City of Ventura awarded a contract to Bondy Groundwater Consulting, Inc. to evaluate the feasibility of using the Mound Basin for injection of water generated from the future VenturaWaterPure Advanced Treatment, Reuse and Diversion Infrastructure Project.

#### 4. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE AGENDA

Tony Morgan, United Water Conservation District, provided the Directors with copies of two groundwater reports related to the Mound Basin: "Hydrogeological Assessment of the Mound Basin" and "Groundwater and Surface Water Conditions Report – 2015." Both reports are available on United's website at <a href="https://www.unitedwater.org/reports-5/groundwater-conditions">https://www.unitedwater.org/reports-5/groundwater-conditions</a>.

#### 5. CONSENT ITEMS

## a. Approve Minutes from June 22, 2017 Regular Meeting.

Director Shephard moved to approve the minutes from the June 22, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Director McDermott. Chair Mobley called a voice vote. Three ayes. None opposed. 2 abstentions.

## b. Approve Minutes from July 20, 2017 Regular Meeting.

Director Everts moved to approve the minutes from the July 20, 2017 meeting. Seconded by Director McDermott. Chair Mobley called a voice vote. All ayes. None opposed.

#### 6. ACTION ITEMS

## a. Conflict of Interest Code

Jennifer Tribo summarized the staff report.

Director Camp expressed concerns over the requirement for all Directors to file a Form 700 disclosing all of his financial information in the Basin. His concerns were financial as well as personal. He does not wish to be a government official. The Directors discussed the options: 1) rewrite the JPA, so that the agricultural stakeholder is not a voting member or 2) solicit another candidate to replace Mr. Camp as the agricultural stakeholder directors. Generally, the Directors preferred to explore replacing Mr. Camp given the time invested in writing the JPA.

#### **Public Comment:**

Tony Morgan, United Water Conservation District, added that a Director would only have a conflict of interest if he/she received a benefit from a Board action above that of the general public.

Chair Mobley moved to table this item until the next meeting. Director Shephard seconded. Chair Mobley called a voice vote. Four ayes. None opposed. 1 abstention.

#### b. Budget Discussion

Jennifer Tribo summarized the staff report. The Directors discussed that they did not think it was necessary to have an ad hoc committee due to the small size of the board. Budget discussions can just take place during regular meetings. The Board directed the interim executive director to develop a draft work plan to guide the budget discussion at the September meeting.

No Public Comment.

#### c. Discussion of Bylaws

Jennifer Tribo summarized the staff report. Director Shephard explained that County Counsel may be able to assist in the development of the Bylaws, but they are currently determining whether or not they could do so and what the fees would be. He suggested finalizing the work plan and budget before discussing the Bylaws further.

#### **Public Comment:**

Tony Morgan, United Water Conservation District, asked whether the Agency can enter into contracts before the Bylaws are developed.

#### 7. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

- **a.** Form 700 Filings Ms. Tribo passed out Form 700s to the Directors to fill out and return.
- **b. Brown Act Guidance** Ms. Tribo provided a Brown Act Guidance document developed by the League of California Cities to the stakeholder directors.

#### **8. ADJOURNMENT** – 11:40 A.M.