

Omochumne-Hartnell Water District Board

Meeting February 25, 2025 @ 10:00 am

Meeting held by teleconference, video conference, and in person.

Call to Order: 10:03 am

- 1) Introduction
- 2) Determine if quorum is present
 - a) Directors Mark Wilson, Mark Stretars, Kurt Kautz, Ken Mitchell, and Paul Hensleigh were in attendance.

Public Comments – There was no public comment at this meeting.

Action Items:

- 1) Consent Items: The Board reviewed the agenda and the minutes of the Board Meeting on February 25, 2025. A motion to approve the agenda for the Regular Board Meeting on February 25, 2025 and the minutes of the Board Meeting on January 17, 2025, made by Mr. Hensleigh, seconded by Mr. Mitchell. The motion passed unanimously.

The Board deferred review and approval of the financial report, financial statement, and invoices to the next meeting.

- 2) Blodget Dam Removal - The Board discussed the proposal and scope of work from The Freshwater Trust. The Board would like additional information on the subject from Downey Brand, District General Manager Michael Wackman, The Freshwater Trust, and other impacted entities.
 - a. Proposal and Scope of Work from the Freshwater Trust- Counsel and General Manager will research Right of Way's on properties associated with this project.
 - b. Coordination with County and RD 800- update only
- 3) Stream Guage Grant from DWR
 - a. Proposed Budget and Scope – Andrew Calderwood gave a brief overview of the proposal sent out and review of draft resolution presented to the board.
 - b. Resolution agreeing to grant
 - i. Contract with DWR- Meeting with DWR will be held tomorrow and brought back to the board for action. Public comments were received. A motion to approve Resolution 2024-25-A Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Omochumne Hartnell Water District Authorizing the Funding Request, Acceptance, and Execution for the Omochumne Hartnell Water District- Stream Guage Project made by Mr. Hensleigh, second by Mr. Stretars. Roll Call vote: Hensleigh Aye, Stretars; Aye, Mitchell; Aye, Wilson; Aye, Kautz; Aye. All in favor. Motion passed 5/0/0
- 4) OHWD Expansion –
 - a. Ad Valorem Tax on possible annexed properties- update only
 - b. Status of Submittal – Meeting is scheduled for today via zoom.

- 5) SGMA Compliance
 - a) Sacramento Valley – South American Groundwater Sub Basin
The Board discussed the bill for the 5-year update to the Groundwater Sustainability Plan. No action taken.
 - b) San Joaquin valley – Cosumnes Groundwater Sub Basin
The next Cosumnes Groundwater Authority meeting will address the 5-year update to the Groundwater Sustainability Plan and costs associated with that update. Member Agreement update was presented to the board. No action taken. Public comments were received. A motion to provide direction to CGA Representative and General Manager at the next meeting, to negotiate and amend contribution MOU to add a restricted reserve fund into the budget for \$195,430 then OHWD will be willing to pay 6% contribution and that everyone pays the percentages listed in the budget made by Mr. Hensleigh, second by Mr. Wilson. Motion passed 5/0/
- 6) Groundwater Recharge Projects – updates
 - a) Recharge operation- General Manager updated that things are running at Rooney Dam and that Paul Hensleigh has been out helping making sure pumps are running correctly this last month. Teichert has also been running, and needs screen improvements.
 - b) Governors Executive Orders N- 4-23, N-6-23, and N-7-23- use of floodwaters – Update only.
- 7) Informational items:
 - a) DWR Interagency Drought Task Force Update – Email forwarded from Suzanne Pecci to the Board of Directors.
 - b) SSCAWA Meeting – The meeting was held, the Board discussed Department of Water Resources stream gauge grants.
 - c) Received Communications – None.
 - d) Water Coordinator’s Report – Water levels are dropping.
- 8) General Managers Report:
 - a) Meetings and Correspondences – No update at this time.
- 9) Directors:
 - a) Comments – CGA Board meeting on March 5, 2025 at Galt Police Department.
 - b) Director’s meeting attendance report: no reports at this time.
- 10) Next Meeting: March 18, 2025 at 10:00 am. Mr. Mitchell made the motion to adjourn the meeting on February 25, 2025 made by Mr. Hensleigh, second by Mr. Mitchell. The motion passed unanimously.

The next meeting – March 18, 2025 at 10 a.m.
** 8970 Elk Grove Blvd., Elk Grove, CA.**

Adjourn Meeting – The meeting was adjourned at 12:20 p.m.

