

**SIERRA VALLEY GROUNDWATER MANAGEMENT DISTRICT
REGULAR BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING
SIERRA CHRISTIAN CHURCH
81059 HIGHWAY 70 BECKWOURTH, CA 96129
Monday, November 18, 2024 at 4:00 p.m.**

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Board of Directors
Einen Grandi, Chairman
Jim Roberti, Vice-Chairman
Dwight Ceresola, Director
Dave Goicoechea, Director
Matt Kilmurray, Director
Greg Ramelli, Director
Paul Roen, Director

MINUTES

1) CALL TO ORDER & ROLL CALL OF DIRECTORS

Chairman Grandi called the meeting to order at 4:01 PM

Directors present: Grandi, Goicoechea, Roberti, Kilmurray, Ramelli

Directors absent: Ceresola, Roen

Also present: Doug Lawler, Laura Foglia, Steve Reich, Debbie Spangler, Gene Lewis, Judie Talbot, Dwight Smith, Joel Barnard, Dave Shaw, and Jim Thomas

Via Zoom: Alexa Terrell, Betsy Elzufon, Gus Tolley, Dale O'Brian, and Tracey Ferguson

2) PUBLIC COMMENT OPPORTUNITY – limited to 5 minutes per speaker

At this time, members of the public may comment on any item not appearing on the agenda. Under state law, matters presented under this item cannot be discussed or acted upon by the Sierra Valley Groundwater Management District Board of Directors at this time.

There were no public comments.

3) REPORTS

A. Meter Technician Report – Jay Huebert

Huebert was unable to attend the meeting. The technician's report to the Directors summarized the pumping total for the latest water year (October 1, 2023 to September 30, 2024). Municipal pumping totaled 570 acre-feet and ag pumping totaled 7,813 acre-feet, for a combined total of 8,383 acre-feet.

Let the minutes note Director Roen joined the meeting at 4:07 p.m.

4) DISCUSSIONS/ACTIONS

A. Plumas/Sierra County Well Permit Application Review (if any)

1. Meadow Edge Park

David Shaw, President and principal hydrologist of Balance Hydrologics, presented the 8-hour pump test results from the Meadow Edge Park well evaluation he conducted. A comprehensive 8-hour pump test was conducted on Well 4 on October 16, 2024 and effects were monitored on nearby wells.

Let the minutes note Director Ceresola joined the meeting at 4:15 p.m.

Dwight Smith, Principal Hydrogeologist for UES, evaluated the pump test results with the Board. He believes the report followed SVGMD guidelines well and does not present any red flags considering nearby wells or SGMA goals. He made the recommendation to the Board that this one pump test is sufficient and Meadow Edge Park should not need to test pump their other three wells.

Director Goicoechea made a motion that conducting a pump test on one well at Meadow Edge Park is adequate and the other three wells will not require a pump test, Director Roen 2nd, motion passed. Directors Roberti, Grandi, Kilmurray, Goicoechea, Ramelli, Ceresola and Roen in favor.

B. DWR Implementation Grant Amendment

A draft amendment to the DWR grant agreement has been submitted to DWR for proposed language changes to Component 4: Irrigation Efficiency and Conjunctive Use. DWR is reviewing the proposed changes.

Director Goicoechea made a motion to approve the amendment as presented and authorized the Chairman to sign should DWR accept the changes, Director Roen 2nd, motion passed, all in favor.

C. Your H2O Pro Estimate – DMS 12 Flow Meter Replacement

Chairman Grandi spoke to the meter technician about this estimate prior to the meeting. Huebert explained that after flooding multiple times DMS 12 requires a major replacement.

Director Goicoechea made a motion to approve the Your H2O Pro estimate for DMS 12, Director Roen 2nd, motion passed, all in favor.

D. Irrigation Efficiency Equipment and Installation Purchases for Grant Projects

1. Agri-Lines Irrigation Inc.

Estimate/Invoice #	Location	Total
#EST58714	Bar One Cattle sprinkler package	\$7,029.50
#EST587828	Bar One Cattle sprinkler installation	\$3,195.25
#INV126975	Grandi Ranch sprinkler package	\$4,720.88
#INV126976	Grandi Ranch sprinkler installation	\$3,716.25
#EST58729	Martin Goodwin sprinkler package (x2)	\$23,205.00
#EST58713	Martin Goodwin sprinkler installation (x2)	\$13,814.00
#INV126977	McHenry sprinkler installation	\$3,954.67

Director Roen a made motion to approve the Agri-Lines Irrigation Inc. estimates and invoices, Director Ceresola 2nd, motion passed, Directors Roberti, Kilmurray, Goicoechea, Ramelli, Ceresola, and Roen in favor. Director Grandi abstained.

2. Sierra Valley Legacy of Agriculture

Quote #	Location	Total
#RRP1	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 1)	\$3,469.50
#RRP3	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 3)	\$3,499.20
#RRP4	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 4)	\$3,750.30
#RRP5	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 5)	\$3,472.20
#RRP6	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 6)	\$3,045.60
#RRP7	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 7)	\$3,609.90
#RRP8	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 8)	\$2,986.20
#RRP9	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 9)	\$4,522.50
#RRP11	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 11)	\$3,491.10
#RRP12	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 12)	\$3,312.90
#RRP15	Roberti Ranch sprinkler installation (pivot 15)	\$3,469.50

Director Roen a made motion to approve the Sierra Valley Legacy of Agriculture estimates, Director Goicoechea 2nd, motion passed, Directors Grandi, Kilmurray, Goicoechea, Ramelli, Ceresola, and Roen in favor. Director Roberti abstained.

5) CONSENT CALENDAR

All items on the Consent Calendar shall be considered routine and will be enacted by one roll call vote. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Board member requests that specific items be removed from the Consent Calendar for separate action. Any item removed from the consent calendar will be considered after the regular business items.

A. Approval of The Minutes as Read/Distributed for 10/21/24

B. Approve payment of bills and finance reports

Director Roen made a motion to approve the consent calendar, Director Goicoechea 2nd, motion passed, all in favor.

6) ADJOURNMENT

Director Grandi adjourned the meeting at 4:57 PM

Jenny Gant, Board Clerk