

**BOARD OF BEAR VALLEY BASIN
GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY
MEETING MINUTES
May 07, 2019**

OPEN SESSION

A meeting of the Bear Valley Basin Groundwater Sustainability Agency Board of Directors was called to order at 4:00 p.m. on May 7, 2019 by Chairman Ludecke at 139 E. Big Bear Boulevard, Big Bear City, California 92314.

BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT:

Bob Ludecke, Chair
John Green, Vice Chair
Craig Hjorth, Treasurer
Jim Miller, Secretary

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Jim Miller, Secretary

PUBLIC FORUM:

No comments from the public.

Chair Ludecke thanked Liz Harris for her contribution to the BVBGSA Board and welcomed Jim Miller to the BVBGSA Board.

1. ELECTION OF BOARD OFFICERS AND MEETING LOCATION FOR 2019

Motion made by Treasurer Hjorth, seconded by Vice-Chair Green and carried 4-0 to elect Bob Ludecke as Chair.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

Motion made by Secretary Miller, seconded by Treasurer Hjorth and carried 4-0 to elect John Green as Vice Chair.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

Motion made by Vice Chair Green, seconded by Secretary Miller and carried 4-0 to elect Craig Hjorth as Treasurer.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

Motion made by Vice Chair Green, seconded by Treasurer Hjorth and carried 4-0 to elect Jim Miller as Secretary.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

Motion made by Treasurer Hjorth, seconded by Vice Chair Green and carried 4-0 to hold BVBGSA Board Meetings at Big Bear City Community Services District for Fiscal Year 2019/20.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

2. CONSENT CALENDAR

1.1 Approve Minutes of Board Meeting Dated May 30, 2018.

1.2 Approve Minutes of the Replenish Big Bear Workshop Dated July 17, 2018

Motion made by Vice Chair Green, seconded by Treasurer Hjorth and carried 3-0 to approve the Consent Calendar.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: - Miller

3. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT CALENDAR

None

4. DISCUSSION/ACTION ITEMS

4.1 Present Audit for Fiscal Year 2017/18

Board confirmed that there were no negative comments in the Audit.

Motion made by Treasurer Hjorth, seconded by Secretary Miller and carried 4-0 to adopt the Audit as presented for Fiscal Year 2017/18.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

4.2 Independent Audit Services

Board discussed the evaluation of proposals was qualification based and that the recommended audit firm was also the lowest price.

Motion made by Treasurer Hjorth, seconded by Vice Chair Green and carried 4-0 to award Lance, Sol & Lunghard a three-year audit services and preparation of the Controller's Report agreement.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

4.3 Water Quality Testing Expenses for the Replenish Big Bear Project

Board discussed there are two types of water quality testing required for the Replenish Big Bear Project: (1) BBARWA's influent and effluent; and (2) MWD's lake water quality and the potential impact on groundwater. Both BBARWA and MWD will collect the water samples and send the samples out for laboratory analysis. The Board also discussed that staff is attempting to obtain grant funds for preliminary costs associated with the Replenish Big Bear Project.

Motion made by Secretary Miller, seconded by Treasurer Hjorth and carried 4-0 to approve revising the Environmental Impact Report and preliminary engineering budget for the Replenish Big Bear Project to \$2.0M.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

4.4 Ratify Adoption of Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) for Cost Sharing Procedures

Board discussed and confirmed the MOU includes the recent vote to approve additional funds for the engineering budget and that any change to the cost sharing procedures requires a new MOU.

Motion made by Treasurer Hjorth, seconded by Vice Chair Green and carried 4-0 to ratify the cost sharing MOU.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

4.5 Replenish Big Bear Workshop for Local Agency Boards

Board received an update from the Administrator regarding grant funding opportunities with Santa Ana Watershed Project Authority (SAWPA) and the United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR). Also, the General Managers of the Local Agencies shared they will be visiting the California State Assembly Budget Subcommittee on May 8, 2019 to discuss grant funding opportunities for the Replenish Big Bear Project.

Motion made by Secretary Miller, seconded by Vice Chair Green and carried 4-0 to hold a second workshop with the Local Agency Boards and the public in August/September 2019 with the date to be determined.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

4.6 Relationship Between the BVBGSA and the Replenish Big Bear Project

Board discussed and requested that when a staff member from any of the four Local Agencies will be speaking about the Replenish Big Bear Project, they let the Board know. The Board also requested an email contact list for the Board and Local Agency staff.

4.7 DWR Bear Valley Basin Reprioritization Update

Board discussed that the Bear Valley Basin is being recommended by the Department of Water Resources to be reprioritized as from "Medium" to "Very Low".

4.8 BVBGSA Website

The Board discussed and agreed to create a BVBGSA website and that the BVBGSA website would contain links to the Local Agencies websites and be maintained by the DWP.

Motion made by Vice Chair Green, seconded by Treasurer Hjorth and carried 4-0 for BVBGSA to have a website, hosted by WIX, maintained by DWP for up to \$1,000 a year.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

4.9 Budget Alternatives for Fiscal Year 2019/20

The Boar discussed items to be included in the FY2019/20 BVBGSA Budget and instructed staff to prepare a budget for Board consideration at the next BVBGSA Board meeting.

Motion made by Treasurer Hjorth, seconded by Vice Chair Green and carried 4-0 to prepare a budget for the BVBGSA for Fiscal Year 2019/20.

AYES: Ludecke, Green, Hjorth, Miller

NOES: -

ABSTAIN: -

Management and Board Members Discussion

Vice Chair Green stated that it might be a good idea to also publish notice of BVBGSA meetings and workshops in the San Bernardino Sun. This item will be presented to the full Board for consideration at the next BVBGSA Board meeting.

ADJOURN

No additional business came before the Board. At 5:10 p.m., Chair Ludecke adjourned the meeting.

Jim Miller, Secretary to the Board