

GREAT BASIN UNIFIED AIR POLLUTION CONTROL DISTRICT

GOVERNING BOARD MINUTES

May 7, 2020

(All Meetings Are Mechanically Recorded)

The Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District Governing Board of the Counties of Alpine, Inyo, and Mono, State of California met at 10:00 am on May 7, 2020, via teleconference (*in light of COVID-19 concerns and in response to Governor Newsom's Executive Order N-29-20 dated March 17, 2020.*

Governing Board members present:

John Peters, Board Chair, Mono County
John Wentworth, Board Vice Chair, Town of Mammoth Lakes
Fred Stump, Mono County
Dan Totheroh, Inyo County
Ron Hames, Alpine County
David Griffith, Alpine County
Matt Kingsley, Inyo County

Governing Board members absent:

None.

A quorum was present.

GBUAPCD staff present:

Phill Kiddoo, Air Pollution Control Officer
Ann Logan, Deputy Air Pollution Control Officer
Susan Cash, Administrative Projects Manager
Tori DeHaven, Clerk of the Board
Grace Holder, Senior Scientist
Christopher Howard, Senior Research & Systems Analyst
Kimberly Mitchell, Research & Systems Analyst II
Valerie Thorp, Air Monitoring Technician II
Matthew Picken, Research & Systems Analyst II

Members of the public included: (as indicated by voluntary verbal identification)

Nelson Mejia, City of Los Angeles, Department of Water & Power

Agenda Item #1

Call to Order

Pledge of

Allegiance

Board Chair Peters called to order the regular meeting of the Governing Board at 10:03 a.m.

Board Chair Peters then led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Agenda Item #2
Public Comment
on Matters not on
the Agenda
(No Action)

Board Chair Peters asked for public comment on items not on the agenda at 10:04 am.

No comment was offered.

Agenda Item #3
PUBLIC
HEARING –
(Action) a.
Adoption of
Orders to the
City of Los
Angeles to Pay
2020-2021 Fiscal
Year Fees as
Provided by
Section 42316 of
the California
Health and
Safety Code (SB
270)
b. Fiscal Year
2020-2021 Total
District Budget –
Approval of the
General Fund
and SB 270 Sub-
budgets (Second
of Two Required
Budget Hearings)

(LADWP submitted comments which were received on April 29, 2020. GBUAPCD responded and attached both the comments and response to the Board Packet. Comments were also received on May 6, 2020 which were also read/re-stated by LADWP at the May 7, 2020 Governing Board meeting. Copies of all comments as well as the response are available upon request.)

Motion (Hames/Griffith) approving Agenda Item No. 3a as follows:

1. The Board conducted the scheduled public hearing for input regarding the proposed fiscal year 2020-2021 SB 270 Fee Assessment Order.
2. The Board adopted the submitted “Fiscal Year 2020-2021 SB 270 Fee Assessment Order to Pay” for SB 270 costs in the amount of \$6,522,000, with an offsetting Reserve credit of \$275,873 bringing the net Order to Pay to \$6,246,127; payment in full due June 21, 2020.

Motion by Roll Call:

Ayes: Board Members – Wentworth, Griffith, Totheroh, Hames, Peters, Stump Kingsley

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried 7/0 and so ordered.

B/O #200507-01

Motion (Hames/Totheroh) approving Agenda Item No. 3b as follows:

1. The Board conducted the second of two public hearings on the total budget, considering all comments and testimony, with no changes found to be appropriate to General Fund or SB 270 budgets.
2. The Board adopted the total Great Basin Unified Air Pollution Control District budget which includes a) the proposed final 2020-2021 General Fund budget; and b) the proposed final 2020-2021 SB 270 budget.

Motion by Roll Call:

Ayes: Board Members – Wentworth, Griffith, Totheroh, Hames, Peters, Stump
Kingsley

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

Motion carried 7/0 and so ordered.

B/O #200507-03b

Agenda Item #4
Consent Items
(Action)

Motion (Griffith/Wentworth) approving consent items a through b as follows:

- a. Approval of the March 5, 2020 Regular Governing Board Meeting Minutes
- b. Approve Consulting and Service Contracts for Fiscal Year 2020-2021

Motion by Roll Call:

Ayes: Board Members – Wentworth, Griffith, Totheroh, Hames, Peters, Stump
Kingsley

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

B/O #200507-04a

Motion (Kingsley/Wentworth) approving consent items c, d, e, g, h as follows:

- c. Approve Publicly Available Pay Schedule for Fiscal Year 2020-2021
- d. Request Board Rejection of Bid Received for Request for Proposal 2020-CIP1 Roof Replacement Project and Authorize the APCO to Re-Bid the Project
- e. Appropriation Changes, Year End Transfer Authority, and Carryovers
- g. Approve Waiver for Air Quality Permit Late Fees as a Community Assistance Measure and Adoption of Governing Board Resolution 2020-02
- h. Acceptance of the Assembly Bill 617 Community Air Protection Program Grant Fund from the California Air Resources Board in the Amount of \$12,758.00

Motion by Roll Call:

Ayes: Board Members – Wentworth, Griffith, Totheroh, Hames, Peters, Stump Kingsley

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

B/O #200507-04c

Motion (Griffith/Wentworth) approving consent item f as follows:

- f. Request for Out-of-state Travel: Two Staff to Anchorage, Alaska, for EPA Quality Assurance Training

Motion by Roll Call:

Ayes: Board Members – Wentworth, Griffith, Totheroh, Hames, Peters, Stump Kingsley

Noes: 0

Abstain: 0

Absent: 0

B/O #200507-04f

Agenda Item #5
Board Member
Reports
(No Action)

Board Vice Chair Wentworth – Nothing to report.

Board Member Griffith – Air quality seems to have improved in relation to the COVID-19 shutdown. Alpine County staff is largely back working in their offices; however, offices are still closed to the public. Monitor Pass is scheduled to open tomorrow, and hopefully fishing season will open on May 15. Board Member Griffith also thanked Susan Cash for taking the time to explain how the District took control of its' unfunded liabilities. Also, the waterflows from the Carson River Watershed have been slowly decreasing over the last seventy-eight years as reflected in a recent study.

Board Member Totheroh – Nothing to report.

Board member Kingsley – Nothing to report.

Board Member Stump – Forest service Region 5 has reversed their burning position; the Inyo is still not planning to do any burning this year. Hopefully, they are

continuing to communicate with District staff regarding updates or changes. Related to that there was a special meeting between the Mono County Board and Southern California Edison about tree removal in and around Mammoth, primarily.

Board Member Hames – Spoke with Alpine County Counsel about use of the Burn Boss in other counties, they say there is liability attached with renting it.


Board Chair Peters – Nothing to report.

Agenda Item #6
Air Pollution
Control Officers
Report
(No Action)

APCO Kiddoo reported that the District's top priority has always been to protect the public and the environment from the harmful effects of pollution. Right under that priority is keeping District staff safe and healthy while providing a safe and healthy work environment because that is necessary to perform our duties and the functions of the District. The District's continued efforts to digitize has paid off as it has made the transition to work from home, during these unique times, much easier. All District staff is still healthy and working hard to continue to perform our job duties and responsibilities.


Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned by Board Chair Peters at 11:17 am. The Board will reconvene in open session at 10:00 am, on Thursday, July 2, 2020, in Alpine County California. *(pending relief of the stay-at-home order)*



John Peters, Board Chair

Attest:



Tori DeHaven, Board Clerk