

**Cosumnes Groundwater Authority
Board of Directors Meeting**

Meeting Minutes
December 4, 2024 - 8:30am

**** A recording of this meeting can be found on the CGA website at:
<https://www.cosumnesgroundwater.org/meetings/>**

Call to Order: 8:36am

1) Introductions / Determine if Quorum is Present

Directors in Attendance: Gary Thomas, Eric Wohle, John Mulrooney, Herb Garms, Rick Ferriera, Mark Stretars, Chris Hunley, Leo VanWarmerdam, Lindsey Carter

Regular Business Action Items

2) Consent Items

- a. Agenda – December 4, 2024
 - b. Minutes – October 2, 2024
 - c. Financial Report – December
- *Treasurer's Report

Director Thomas moved to approve the consent calendar.

Director Hunley seconded the motion.

The motion passed with all in favor.

Treasurer Rick Ferriera was not yet online for this portion of the meeting so the CGA Secretary, Brittany Friedman, provided a report/update on CGA Financials including current invoices, Profit and Loss statements and the Budget vs. Actuals. It was noted that the bills/invoice costs are down from the previous year and that CGA is staying well within its budget for this Fiscal Year. The Reserve fund currently has \$70,000 with the intention of growing it over the next few years for the 5-year GSP update costs.

Regular Business Action Items

3) CGA Audit Fiscal Year 22-23

Richardson & Company, LLP conducted CGA's FY 22-23 Audit. Brian Nash was online to present information and findings regarding the FY 22-23 Audit. He discussed contingencies, suggestions to improve finances and management of finances, additional review of procedures and policies and Form 700 completions for Board members. There was a specific suggestion to have a consultant accountant assist with future audits, reconcile accounts and provide Quickbooks overviews to ensure that the audit process progresses smoothly and that there are further checks and balances. In order to complete the FY 23-24 Audit, CGA can either conduct an RFP or extend the Richardson and Company contract. The letter of engagement will need to be completed to start that audit process. The next audit is due June 30, 2025.

Finalized on:
February 5, 2025

*Director Thomas moved to approve the FY 22-23 Audit.
Director Hunley seconded the motion.
The motion passed with all in favor.*

4) Draft Member Contribution Funding Agreement FY 24-25

Staff presented a draft version of the Member Contribution Funding Agreement for the fiscal year 24-25. Treasurer Ferriera provided an overview on the document and tied it back to the budget adopted in June 2024. It was suggested to add GSA reserves to Exhibit B, to amend Item 4 of the Resolution as reserves are already being held by GSA's and to include language to extend the agreement but leave it as a 1-year document. Contributions are subject to change even on a multi-year agreement. There was also discussion on the budget vs. income portion of the agreement in terms of how it may change every year. It was suggested that staff speak to Legal about some language changes. No action was taken on this item.

5) GSP 5-Year Update

In reviewing the original GSP that was submitted, staff and Board members have acknowledged that adjustments and/or plan amendments may need to be made in terms of originally proposed actions, possible grant programs and overall financial proposals. The Board reviewed and discussed the GSP as well as a possible amendment timeline, needs and procedures. It was suggested that a special meeting may need to be scheduled to address this further. It was also discussed that a plan update may be the correct path forward rather than an amendment which could take place after the 5-year update, if still needed once an update is provided. Finally, the Board discussed the grants and subsequent funding that was written into the GSP and how we may restructure this moving forward based more on what we currently have rather than what we are applying for in terms of grants. This item will be brought back in February 2025.

Informational Items

6) DWR North Central Regional Office Update

DWR update provided via a memo in the Agenda Packet.

7) SGMA/GSP Implementation Update

EKI provided a report on the most recent Groundwater Monitoring in October 2024. These results are measured against past CGA monitoring and submitted to DWR to meet SGMA requirements. A 3-month look ahead was also provided and both can be found on the CGA website under this meeting's materials.

8) Committee Reports

The Outreach and Engagement Committee Chair, Teresa Flewellyn, presented a report on the recent O & E events attended, including the SRCD Water Workshop, the Wilton Chili Cook-off and the Galt Dia de Los Muertos event. The Board is encouraged to attend and volunteer time if they are able at all and any events including the upcoming CGA luncheon to be held in Spring 2025.

9) CGA Staff Reports

None.

10) CGA Counsel Reports

None.

11) Director/Member GSA Comments

This meeting was Director Thomas' last CGA meeting as a Board member. He will be replaced by Russ Parker at the next Board meeting in 2025.

13) Upcoming Agenda Items

The following items were identified:

- Membership Contribution Agreement
- Tabled discussion items
- GSP Update

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

14) Public Comment

Adjourn Meeting

Director Carter adjourned the meeting by consensus at 11:18 am.

REGULAR MEETINGS OF CGA ARE HELD ON THE 1ST WEDNESDAY OF EACH MONTH. THE NEXT MEETING WILL BE HELD ON FEBRUARY 5, 2025 AT 8:30AM.