

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING  
OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF  
ARVIN-EDISON WATER STORAGE DISTRICT  
April 21, 2022**

**CALL TO ORDER**

Board President Edwin Camp called to order the special meeting of the Board of Directors of the Arvin-Edison Water Storage District at the hour of 8:30 a.m. with a quorum of the Board being then and there present and remotely, to wit:

Edwin Camp, President  
John C. Moore, Secretary-Treasurer  
Catherine Fanucchi  
Matthew Vickery  
Catalino Martinez  
Dennis Johnston  
Derek Yurosek (Via WebEx - Part of Public)  
Brian Kirschenmann (Via WebEx - Part of Public)

There was one absent Directors:

Jeffrey Giumarra, Vice President

District staff present:

Jeevan Muhar, Engineer-Manager  
David Nixon, Deputy General Manager  
Micah Clark, Engineer Technician (open session only)

District consultants present:

John Bezdek, Esq., Water and Power Law, PC (Via WebEx)  
Julie Gantenbein., Esq., Water and Power Law, PC (Via WebEx)  
Anona Dutton, EKI Consultants Group, (Via WebEx)

Visitors and Guests:

Sheridan Nicolas, Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD (open session only)  
Michael Begle, Sunview Vineyards (open session only)

**ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA OF ITEMS, AS AUTHORIZED BY  
GOVERNMENT CODE §54950 et seq.**

There were no additions or changes to the posted Agenda.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

There were no public comments.

**ADJOURNMENT TO CLOSED SESSION AT 8:35 A.M.**

**CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - Anticipated Litigation**

Legal Counsel Bezdek advised the Board he would like to discuss namely: Potential Litigation (One Item); and based upon advice from Legal Counsel, discussing such matters in open session would cause prejudice to the district; therefore, the Board adjourned into closed session in accordance with Government Code Section §54956.9(d)(4) at 8:35 a.m. and upon returning to open session at 9:18 a.m., no reportable action was taken.

**ACTION ITEM**

**Discuss and take possible action regarding development of an Amended Groundwater Sustainability Plan with Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa Water Storage District and others, and possibly Withdraw from Kern Groundwater Authority Joint Powers Agreement and take Associated Steps to Implement and Coordinate Such Actions**

Mr. Muhar noted as outlined in the Board packet, and in response to board direction, the development of a separate, amended Groundwater Sustainability Plan (GSP) and stated staff and legal counsel recommended the Board take the following actions:

1. Approve and Submit "Notice of Intent to Withdraw from KGA and file separate, amended Groundwater Sustainability Plan"
2. Approve and Submit "Notice of Intent to file an amended GSP to DWR and others (City, County, etc.)"
3. Consider Agreement with Wheeler Ridge-Maricopa WSD, Tejon-Castac WD, and Arvin Community Services District for coordinated development and implementation of Joint GSP (Engineer-Manager to develop agreement(s) for Board consideration at a subsequent meeting)
4. Consider joining Kern Subbasin Coordination Agreement (Engineer-Manager to take appropriate steps for such action)

After considerable discussion, Director Johnston motioned, seconded by Director Martinez, and unanimously carried to approve staff's recommendation for all four (4) items.

**OTHER ITEMS TO BE DISCUSSED PURSUANT TO GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION §54954.2 (RELATING TO ITEMS NOT APPEARING ON THE POSTED AGENDA); AND ADJOURNMENT**

President Camp then asked if there were any further matters that needed to be brought before the Board of Directors, and there being none, Director Vickery motioned, seconded by Director Martinez, and by unanimous vote, adjourned the meeting at 9:30 a.m.



David A. Nixon, Deputy General Manager/  
Assistant Secretary-Treasurer