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**BOARD OF DIRECTORS
MEETING MINUTES
Monday, February 3, 2020**

1. CALL TO ORDER

The meeting of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority was called to order by Vice Chair Johnson at 12:33 p.m., Monday, February 3, 2020, in the Board Chambers of the John F. Tavaglione Administrative Center Annex, First Floor, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California, 92501.

Vice Chair Johnson welcomed back Board Member Maryann Edwards.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Board Member Edwards led the RCA Board Members and meeting attendees in a flag salute.

3. ROLL CALL

Member Agency	Board Member Name	Status
City of Banning	Daniela Andrade	Present
City of Beaumont	Julio Martinez	Present
City of Calimesa	Ed Clark	Present
City of Canyon Lake	Larry Greene	Present
City of Corona	Jacque Casillas	Present
City of Eastvale	Jocelyn Yow	Absent
City of Hemet	Michael Perciful	Present
City of Jurupa Valley	Lorena Barajas	Present
City of Lake Elsinore	Natasha Johnson, Vice Chair	Present
City of Menifee	Lesa Sobek	Present
City of Moreno Valley	David Marquez	Present
City of Murrieta	Jonathan Ingram, Chair	Absent
City of Norco	Kevin Bash	Present
City of Perris	David Starr Rabb	Present
City of Riverside	Andy Melendrez	Present
City of San Jacinto	Crystal Ruiz	Present
City of Temecula	Maryann Edwards	Present
City of Wildomar	Joseph Morabito	Present
County District 1	Kevin Jeffries	Present
County District 2	Karen Spiegel	Present
County District 3	Chuck Washington	Present
County District 4	V. Manuel Perez	Absent
County District 5	Jeff Hewitt	Absent

** Arrived after roll call was taken.*

4. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no public comments.

5. BOARD MEMBER ANNOUNCEMENTS (This item provides the opportunity for the Board Members to report on attended meetings/conferences and any other items related to RCA activities.)

There were no Board Member announcements.

6. ADDITIONS/REVISIONS (The Board may add an item to the Agenda after making a finding that there is a need to take immediate action on the item and that the item came to the attention of the Board subsequent to the posting of the agenda. An action adding an item to the agenda requires 2/3 vote of the Board. If there are less than 2/3 of the Board Members present, adding an item requires a unanimous vote. Added items will be placed for discussion at the end of the agenda.)

There were no additions or revisions.

7. APPROVAL OF MINUTES — January 6, 2020, meeting of the RCA Board of Directors.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED [17 TO 0]
MOVER:	Hemet
SECONDER:	San Jacinto
AYES:	Banning, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, District 1, District 2, District 3
NAYS:	None
ABSTAIN:	Beaumont, Moreno Valley
ABSENT:	Eastvale, Murrieta, District 4, District 5

8. PRESENTATION BY MATT JENNINGS, ASSISTANT TREASURER-TAX COLLECTOR, TREASURER'S POOLED INVESTMENT FUND UPDATE

Giovane Pizano, Chief Investment Manager, presented the Treasurer's Pooled Investment Fund (TPIF).

The highlights of the presentation included the following:

- Rated AAA by two rating agencies
- Over 53% invested in U.S. Treasuries and Agencies
- 67%+ of portfolio matures less than a year (16% overnight)
- Yield to maturity 1.86% and Weighted Average Maturity (WAM) of 1.01 years as of 12/31/2019

- Funds are comprised of the County of Riverside, 23 school districts, 3 community college districts, special districts, and other discretionary depositors
- \$15+ billion in annual receipts and disbursements

The primary objectives of the Treasurer is to safeguard the principal of the funds under his control, meet the liquidity needs of depositors, and achieve a reasonable rate of return. He further stated that the Statement of Investment Policy is designed to meet those objectives by defining Safety of Principal, Liquidity and Return, and explained each objective.

Mr. Pizano provided a few snapshots of the Treasurer's Pooled Investment Fund Monthly Report, which was distributed to each Board Member. Upon concluding his presentation, Mr. Pizano invited questions from the Board Members.

Vice Chair Johnson thanked Mr. Pizano for his presentation.

- 9. CONSENT CALENDAR (All matters listed under the Consent Calendar will be approved in a single motion unless a Board Member requests separate action on specific Consent Calendar item. The item will be pulled from the Consent Calendar and placed for discussion.)**

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED [17 TO 0]
MOVER:	Wildomar
SECONDER:	Banning
AYES:	Banning, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Wildomar, District 1, District 2, District 3
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Beaumont, Temecula, Eastvale, Murrieta, District 4, District 5

- 9.1 WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY MSHCP FEE COLLECTION REPORTS FOR NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER 2019**

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to receive and file the Western Riverside County MSHCP Fee Collection Reports for November and December 2019.

9.2 RESOLUTION NO. 2020-001, RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE WESTERN RIVERSIDE COUNTY REGIONAL CONSERVATION AUTHORITY ADOPTING A STATEMENT OF INVESTMENT POLICY

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to approve Resolution No. 2020-001, Resolution of the Board of Directors of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Adopting a Statement of Investment Policy.

9.3 FISCAL YEAR 2020 SECOND QUARTER CONSULTANT REPORTS

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to receive and file the Fiscal Year 2020 Second Quarter Consultant Reports.

10. RATIFICATION OF THE CHAIRPERSON'S APPOINTMENT TO THE 2020 RCA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED [19 TO 0]
MOVER:	District 1
SECONDER:	Wildomar
AYES:	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, District 1, District 2, District 3
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Eastvale, Murrieta, District 4, District 5

Steve DeBaun, General Counsel, stated that under current bylaws if there is a vacancy on the Executive Committee, the chair is required to appoint a Board Member to the Executive Committee and the Board is required to ratify or reject the appointment. He further stated that the Chair nominated Board Member Larry Greene to fill the vacant position and requested that the Board take action to ratify and approve the appointment.

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to ratify the Chairperson's appointment to the 2020 RCA Executive Committee.

11. APPROVAL OF THE RIVERPARK MITIGATION BANK CONSERVATION EASEMENT AND ENDOWMENT MANAGEMENT AGREEMENT

RESULT:	APPROVED AS RECOMMENDED [19 TO 0]
MOVER:	Wildomar
SECONDER:	Banning
AYES:	Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, District 1, District 2, District 3
NAYS:	None
ABSENT:	Eastvale, Murrieta, District 4, District 5

Ward Simmons, General Counsel, gave a brief overview of the item. He stated that EIP III Credit Company, LLC ("Bank Sponsor") has been working with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to develop a Mitigation Bank (Bank) located near the City of San Jacinto. The purpose of the Mitigation Bank is to compensate for unavoidable impacts and conserve and protect waters of the U.S. and the State of California. Developers buy credits from the Mitigation Bank to offset impacts of their development. The Bank Sponsor requested that the RCA accept a Conservation Easement with the sole responsibility to monitor the Bank. RCA will not be responsible for restoration or management of the Bank. The Bank Sponsor plans to develop the Bank in three phases. The Conservation Easement includes the first phase of approximately 228 acres. All three phases will include approximately 630 acres once completed. All of the acres will be considered Additional Reserve Lands (ARL) under the MSHCP. He further stated that the Conservation Easement, that RCA is proposing to accept, includes an endowment of \$267,014.85. In addition, RCA will enter into an Endowment Management Agreement that will determine the terms and conditions under which RCA will manage the endowment. The Bank Sponsor will also pay the RCA approximately \$18,401.79, to spend during the first three years while the endowment is earning interest. Like the conservation easement, these funds are only intended to be for the first phase of the bank. Mr. Simmons invited questions from the Board and requested that the Board take action to approve staff's recommendations.

Overview

This item is for the RCA Board of Directors to:

- 1) Approve the Riverpark Mitigation Bank Conservation Easement;
- 2) Approve the Endowment Management Agreement; and
- 3) Authorize the RCA Interim Executive Director, pursuant to legal counsel review and approval, to execute said conservation easement and endowment management agreement on behalf of the RCA, and to authorize the RCA Interim Executive Director or her designee to sign any additional documents required to complete the conveyance to RCA.

12. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE DIRECTION CONCERNING THE CALIFORNIA POPPIES ON RCA RESERVE LAND IN THE WALKER CANYON AREA

Tricia Campbell, Director of Reserve Management and Monitoring, stated that last Monday, Supervisor Jeffries hosted a planning meeting for County staff that included attendees from the Transportation, Fire, and Sheriff's Departments. RCA will be doing a weekly update to check the site for poppy germination. Ms. Campbell further stated that some poppies have germinated, but it will take the next couple of weeks to see if Riverside County will get enough rainfall to trigger a super bloom. The County has established an incident action plan including a traffic plan that involves coordination with Caltrans and the California Highway Patrol. They also have a volunteer protocol to help. RCA has fixed the fencing along the Long Beach Equity property and the RCA property, but is unable to do anything to the private property. RCA is very interested in being part of all future meetings with the City of Lake Elsinore and County to help in any way they can.

13. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

13.1 Wildlife Refuge Update

Honey Bernas, Interim Executive Director, reported that on January 29, 2020, the House Natural Resources Committee passed by unanimous consent the Western Riverside County Wildlife Refuge Bill. The bill will now head to the House floor for consideration.

14. LAND ACQUISITION UPDATE

Honey Bernas, Interim Executive Director, reported that since the last RCA Board of Directors' meeting, the RCA had acquired an additional 150 acres, bringing the reserve assembly total to approximately 61,839 acres.

15. FEATURED SPECIES OF THE MONTH

Elizabeth "Betsy" Dionne, Ecological Resources Specialist, stated that the featured species for the month of February is the Little Mousetail (*Myosurus minimus*). She then gave an overview of the Little Mousetail's characteristics, life history, migration, and how RCA manages for the species.

16. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: (Board Members are invited to suggest additional items to be brought forward for future discussion.)

No future agenda items were suggested.

17. CLOSED SESSION

17A. CONFERENCE WITH REAL PROPERTY NEGOTIATOR

Pursuant to Government Code Section 54956.8

Agency Negotiator: RCA – Executive Director or Designee

Under Negotiation: Price/Terms

Item	Assessor No(s).	Parcel	Negotiating Party(ies)/Agent
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17A.1	432-150-002, 432-150-003, and 432-150-004	Joanne Wallkamm Adams, Marty Wallkamm, Krisha Wallkamm Norm Barnard
17A.2	321-190-009, 323-020-003, and 323-020-005	Anne Chun

17B. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE APPOINTMENT
Pursuant to Government Code Section 54957
Title: Executive Director

After Closed Session, the meeting was reconvened. Steve DeBaun, General Counsel, announced the following:

Concerning Agenda Item No. 17A.1 – APN 432-150-002, 432-150-003, and 432-150-004, the Board of Directors approved a Purchase and Sale Agreement to purchase approximately 13.80 acres of real property for \$70,000.

RESULT: APPROVED [19 TO 0]

MOVER: District 1

SECONDER: Norco

AYES: Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, District 1, District 2, District 3

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Eastvale, Murrieta, District 4, District 5

Concerning Agenda Item No. 17A.2 – APN 321-190-009, 323-020-003, and 323-020-005, the Board of Directors approved a Purchase and Sale Agreement to purchase approximately 34.84 acres of real property for \$271,000.

RESULT: APPROVED [19 TO 0]

MOVER: Canyon Lake

SECONDER: Menifee

AYES: Banning, Beaumont, Calimesa, Canyon Lake, Corona, Hemet, Jurupa Valley, Lake Elsinore, Menifee, Moreno Valley, Norco, Perris, Riverside, San Jacinto, Temecula, Wildomar, District 1, District 2, District 3

NAYS: None

ABSENT: Eastvale, Murrieta, District 4, District 5

18. ADJOURNMENT

There being no other items before the RCA Board, Chair Ingram adjourned the meeting at 1:13 p.m. The next meeting of the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority Board of Directors is scheduled for Monday, March 2, 2020, at 12:30 p.m., at the John F. Tavaglione County Administrative Center Annex, Board Chambers, First Floor, 4080 Lemon Street, Riverside, California.

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Respectfully submitted:



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