

**Water Resources Commission Meeting  
Salem  
June 13, 2019**

WRC Present

Meg Reeves  
Joe Moll  
Bob Baumgartner  
Bruce Corn  
Mike Faught  
Kathy Kihara  
Eric Quaempts

WRD Staff Present

Tom Byler  
Jennifer Ranstrom-Smith  
Lisa Snyder  
Racquel Rancier  
Dwight French

Others

Renee Moulun  
Rachel Weisshaar  
Kirk Maag  
Duane Eder  
Brian Posewitz

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Chair Reeves called the meeting to order, explained the process and purpose of the meeting, and had everyone participating introduce himself or herself.

*Recording:* [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G4\\_3KOR2fNQ&t=24s](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=G4_3KOR2fNQ&t=24s)

**A. In the Matter of Water Right Application R-87871 in the Name of East Valley Water District: Planning for the Commission's Consideration of Anticipated Exceptions to Director's Final Order and Issuance of the Commission's Final Order**

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Dwight French, Water Right Services Administrator, updated the Commission on the processing of the East Valley Water District applications and exceptions. Commissioner Baumgartner motioned to appoint a sub-committee consisting of Commissioner's Reeves, Corn, and Moll. Commissioner Kihara seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion: Baumgartner, Corn, Kihara, Moll, Reeves, and Quaempts. Motion passed.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

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Becky Williams  
Ken Stahr

Others

Donovan Sippel  
Clair Klock  
London Milnes  
Peggy Lynch  
April Snell  
Ken Yates  
Kimberly Priestley  
Scott Coleman  
Tamara Mabbott  
Tracy Rutten  
Samantha Bayer  
Jordan Bice

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Vice-Chair Corn called the meeting to order, explained the process and purpose of the meeting, and had everyone participating introduce himself or herself.

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**B. Approval of Minutes**

*Recording:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1KB4x9OvLOM&t=76s>

Commissioner Faught moved to approve the minutes, Seconded by Commissioner Baumgartner. Voting in favor of the motion: Baumgartner, Corn, Faught, Kihara, Moll, and Quaempts. Excused: Reeves. Motion passed.

**C. Commission Comments**

*Recording:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1KB4x9OvLOM&t=116s>

Commissioners reported on their recent activities, shared information, and commented on a variety of water resource topics.

**D. Director's Report**

*Recording:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1KB4x9OvLOM&t=20m11s>

Director Byler updated the Commission on Department business and late-breaking issues. Ken Stahr, Surface Water Hydrology Manager, discussed current water supply conditions.

## **E. Allocation of Place-Based Integrated Water Resource Planning Funding**

*Recording:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1KB4x9OvLOM&t=59m9s>

Kim Fritz-Ogren, Water Resources Development Program Manager, and Harmony Burright, Planning Coordinator, gave an update on Place-based planning activities. Commissioner Moll stated he may have to declare a conflict of interest in the future place-based planning decisions as his employer has signed on as a Place-Based planning partner.

## **F. Strategic Plan Implementation**

*Recording:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1KB4x9OvLOM&t=89m20s>

Director Byler, Director, briefed the Commission on strategic plan implementation efforts.

## **G. 2019 Legislative Session**

*Recording:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB5-aiCtIPI&t=12s>

Racquel Rancier, Senior Policy Coordinator, briefed the Commission on the 2019 Legislative session.

## **H. Feasibility Study Grants (Water Conservation, Reuse, and Storage Grant Program) Funding Recommendations**

*Recording:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB5-aiCtIPI&t=42m37s>

Public Comment:

Tamara Mabbott, City of Umatilla

*Recording:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB5-aiCtIPI&t=78m36s>

Public Comment:

Scott Coleman, City of Umatilla

*Recording:* <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB5-aiCtIPI&t=87m13s>

Kim Fritz-Ogren, Water Resources Development Program Manager, and Becky Williams, Grant Program Coordinator, presented funding recommendations for the 2019 Feasibility Study Grant awards. Commissioner Faught recused himself due to a conflict of interest. Commissioner Quaempts excused himself for the Walla Walla grant decision only. Commissioner Baumgartner moved to fund all grants listed except the Walla Wall Basin Watershed Council and City of Umatilla, Commissioner Kihara seconded the motion. Voting in favor; Quaempts, Kihara, Baumgartner, Corn, Moll. Excused: Reeves, Abstained: Faught. Commissioner Baumgartner moved to fund the Walla Walla grant application only, having received no second, motion fails. Commissioner Moll moved to approve the Walla Walla Basin grant funding, Commissioner Kihara seconded the motion. Voting in favor: Baumgartner, Corn, Kihara, Moll. Excused: Reeves, Abstained: Faught, Quaempts. Motion passed. Commissioner Moll moved to fund the City of Umatilla Grant application, motion seconded by Commissioner Baumgartner. Voting in favor: Moll, Baumgartner. Voting against: Corn, Kihara, and Quaempts. Excused: Reeves, Abstained: Faught. Motion failed.

## **I. Public Comment**

Peggy Lynch, League of Women Voters

Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB5-aiCtIPI&t=135m41s>

Clair Klock, Clackamas SWCD

Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB5-aiCtIPI&t=143m20s>

Tracy Rutten, League of Oregon Cities

Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB5-aiCtIPI&t=146m31s>

April Snell, Oregon Water Resources Congress

Recording: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dB5-aiCtIPI&t=154m10s>

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