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MINUTES of the GOVERNING BOARD of the WILDLIFE CORRIDOR CONSERVATION AUTHORITY

May 4, 2011

I. Call to Order.

The regular meeting of the Governing Board of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority (WCCA) was called to order by Chairperson Glenn Parker at 7:43 p.m. on May 4, 2011 in the Council Chambers, Whittier City Hall, 13230 E. Penn Street, Whittier, California.

II. Administration of Oath of Office to new member.

Project Analyst administered the Oath of Office to Don Schweitzer.

III. Roll Call.

The roll was called and the following members were present: Glenn Parker, Chair, Bob Henderson, Vice-Chair, Michael Hughes, Ron Krueper, Dickie Simmons, Jack Tanaka, Howard Vipperman and Don Schweitzer. Quorum present.

The following members were absent: Brett Murdock.

Staff present: Judi Tamasi, Project Analyst and Diane Sacks, Board Secretary.

Public present: Andrea Avila, Field Deputy, Don Knabe's Office; David DeMers, Deputy Director, San Gabriel Valley Conservation Corps; Jeff Maisch, Aera Energy LLC; and Ron Everett, Council Member, City of Diamond Bar.

IV. Election of Officers.

Mr. Henderson nominated Glenn Parker for Chair.

Mr. Parker was unanimously elected as Chair.

Mr. Henderson nominated Michael Hughes for Vice-Chair.

Mr. Hughes was unanimously elected as Vice-Chair.

V. Reappointment of public members to the Governing Board.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, the public members were unanimously appointed.

VI. Special recognition of John Beaman, former Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Governing Board member, for extraordinary accomplishments.

Comments were made by the Chair and Messrs. Henderson and Schweitzer.

VII. Comments by members of the public on items not on the agenda and public testimony on all agenda items. Except for items notices as public hearings, all public comments shall be heard during the public comments section of the agenda. Individuals will be allowed three minutes to speak and representatives of organizations/agencies will be allowed five minutes to speak. Special recognition in memory of Barbara Fish, former Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Alternate Board member, for extraordinary accomplishments.

No comments were made.

VIII. Governing Board and staff response to public comment. At this time the Governing Board and staff will respond to public comment and questions.

No comments were made.

IX. Consent calendar:

- (a) Approval of minutes from the meeting of October 6, 2010.
- (b) Receive and file the 2009-2010 audit submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.
- (c) Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the first quarter of Fiscal Year 2010-2011 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.

- (d) **Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the second quarter of Fiscal Year 2010-2011 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.**
- (e) **Review and approval of Treasurer's report for the third quarter of Fiscal Year 2010-2011 submitted by Kathryn Marshall, Treasurer, City of Whittier.**
- (f) **Consideration of resolution adopting budget for Fiscal Year 2010-2011.**
(The full text of this resolution is attached.)
- (g) **Consideration of resolution adopting budget for Fiscal Year 2011-2012.**
(The full text of this resolution is attached.)

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, the consent calendar was unanimously approved.

X. Report from a representative of the Wildlife Corridor Conservation Authority Advisory Committee regarding the Advisory Committee meeting held on May 4, 2011.

A report was given by the Project Analyst.

XI. Presentation regarding goldspotted oak borer.

A presentation was given by Thomas Scott, Ph.D., Cooperative Extension Specialist, UC Berkeley.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

Comments were made by Dr. Scott.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Henderson.

Comments were made by Dr. Scott and Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chair and Messrs. Viperman, Schweitzer, Simmons, Krueper and Henderson.

XII. Consideration of resolution authorizing a comment letter to County of Los Angeles on the Draft 2035 General Plan, including proposed Significant Ecological Areas.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Project Analyst and Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by Mr. Simmons.

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Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Krueper.

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Comments were made by the Project Analyst and Messrs. Krueper and Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by the Chair and Messrs. Simmons and Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Project Analyst.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

On motion of Mr. Henderson, duly seconded, the comment letter was postponed for further discussion at a later date.

XIII. Discussion and possible action regarding United States Army Corps of Engineers Vegetation Policy for Levees, San Gabriel Valley.

Comments were made by the Chair, the Project Analyst and Messrs. Simmons, Henderson, Hughes and Krueper.

On motion of Mr. Simmons, duly seconded, distribution of letter unanimously approved.

XIV. Update and discussion regarding Whittier Main Oil Field Development Project.

A report was given by Mr. Henderson.

Questions were propounded by the Chair.

Comments were made by Mr. Henderson.

XV. Statements, responses, questions or directions to staff pursuant to Section 54954.2(a) of the Government Code which provides as follows:

“No action or discussion shall be undertaken on any item not appearing on the posted agenda, except that members of a legislative body or its staff may briefly respond to statements made or questions posed by persons exercising their public testimony rights under Section 54954.3. In addition, on their own initiative or in response to questions posed by the public, a member of a legislative body or its staff may ask a question for clarification, make a brief announcement, or make a brief report on his or her own activities. Furthermore, a member of a legislative body, or the body itself, subject to rules or procedures of the legislative body, may provide a reference to staff or other resources for factual information, request staff to report back to the body at a subsequent meeting concerning any matter, or take action to direct staff to place a matter of business on a future agenda.”

No comments were made.

XV. Announcement of next meeting and adjournment.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 9:29 p.m.

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Respectfully submitted:

Approved:

Joseph T. Edmiston, FAICP, Hon. ASLA
Executive Officer

Glenn Parker
Chairperson