

Minutes of the Calaveras Resource Conservation District (RCD)

Board Meeting

December 6, 2018

Board of Supervisors Chambers

891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA

Call to Order: Meeting opened by R. Dean-President @ 6:10 pm

Board Members & Staff Present: S. Beckman, R. Dean-President, K. Hafley, M. Robie, T. Sullivan-Vice President, N. Valente, G. Long – Executive Director, Mary Cole-Admin

Board Members & Staff Absent: F. Schabram-Treasurer; Dana Simpson-Staff Accountant

Others Present: Jill Micheau, Pete Padelford, Fire Chief Mike Johnson-EPFD, Bobette Parsons-NRCS

Pledge of Allegiance

General Public Comment: Mike Johnson spoke to the Board about Ebbetts Pass Fire District is trying to get a JPA (Joint Powers Agreement) with all Calaveras County Fire Districts. He was informed of our sub-committee formed to help find and secure a grant to fund a Fire Marshall.

T. Sullivan asked to have a Sub-Committee Report section placed on the next agenda to discuss this further.

Regular Agenda Items:

1. Oath of Office – Robert Dean, Thomas Sullivan and Sid Beckman took the Oath of Office as read by Gordon Long, Executive Director, for a four (4) year term on the CCRCDD Board of Directors.
2. Approval of 11/1/18 Minutes. Board Action – **T. Sullivan made motion to approve, K. Hafley second. On a 5-0-2 vote, minutes were approved.**
3. B. Dean – Finance Reports reviewed. **T. Sullivan made motion to approve, S. Beckman second. On a 5-0-2 vote, reports were approved.**
4. RCD Partners – Bobette Parsons reviewed her report. She especially wanted to thank Gordon Long for his help with the EQIP (Environmental Quality Incentives Program) planning.
5. Resolution 2018-25 – Approval to submit application for an Education grant. G. Long has a grant for \$326,000 for a fire education grant to run until March 2022. Jill Micheau would do the majority of the oversight with some assist from G. Long. **T. Sullivan made motion to approve G. Long to submit a grant proposal as RESOLUTION 2018-25. S. Beckman second. On a 5-0-2 vote, was approved.**
6. Resolution 2018-26 - Approval to submit application for a Fuel Reductions grant to CalFire. Jill Micheau presented the project which would cover the Murphys East WUI (Wildlife/Urban Interface) Fuel Break Plan. It was proposed that for expediency of future projects that the CEQA needs to be done for all the projects together. **T. Sullivan made motion to approve submission of a grant proposal as RESOLUTION 2018-26. N. Valente second. On a 6-0-1 vote, was approved.**

Resolution 2018-27 – Request approval of a new resolution that renames a previously approved resolution (#2018-24) due to a name change of the noted project to “Murphys to Camp Connell

CWPP.” **T. Sullivan made motion to approve RESOLUTION 2018-27 with the new name. S. Beckman second. On a 4-0-2-1 vote, was approved.**

7. Discuss County and CCRCDC partnering on Block Grant - Tabled.
8. Discuss Board Room Repairs/Renovations – G. Long noted when he was working on the main building, he checked on the Board Room (building) becoming aware of a sewer smell inside. After asking for some help, S. Beckman helped to remove half of the carpet. The bathroom needs to be completely replaced. It was suggested that **Service Master** (532-1700) could do the mold remediation. And that **Ed Tarantino** (local Contractor) (916-335-7697) could do the remodeling of the interior as well as the bathroom.

It was noted that Scott Oneto replaced the outside light bulbs to help with security at night. And that we are still needing a lease agreement with the County for UC Extension.

9. SDRMA (Special Districts Risk Management Agency) Insurance – In order to get liability insurance through CSDA we need to become a member. **K. Hafley made motion to approve Resolution 2018-28 to join CSDA, T. Sullivan second. On a 6-0-1 vote, motion was passed.** Now we need to accept their liability and building insurance, noting the rates will be prorated to finish the year. **N. Valente made motion to approve applying for SDRMA liability insurance, K. Hafley second. On a 6-0-1 vote, resolution was approved.**
10. Discussion on Strategic Planning process – S. Beckman distributed his proposal for a Strategic Plan that he modified after last month’s meeting discussion. The Board made a few small changes
11. Board Member Announcements – T, Sullivan noted he will be out of town on Dec 17-30. K. Hafley requested that “Committee Reports” be added to the agenda after New Business. Also, he would like to agendize at the next meeting discussion of Fire Safety in Rancho Calaveras.
13. Staff Announcements – M. Cole reminded the Board they still need to finish their Sexual Harassment and Ethics Training. And these costs are covered by the DOC grant.

Adjournment of meeting. Motion to close monthly meeting of the Calaveras RCD initiated by T. Sullivan, 2nd by M. Robie. Motion carries on a 6-0-1 vote. Meeting adjourned @ 7:15 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for 6:00 pm, January 3rd.
Meeting adjourned at 7:15 pm.

Attest:

President Robert Dean _____

Secretary _____