Minutes of the Calaveras Resource Conservation District (RCD)
Regular Board Meeting
August 11, 2022
423 Saint Charles St, San Andreas, CA

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by S. Beckman-President @ 6:30 pm

1. After the roll call and pledge of allegiance, S. Beckman introduced our new board member, Julie Marsili.

Board Members & Staff Present: S. Beckman-President; B. Dubois-Secretary/Treasurer; M. Dvorak; K. Lambert; Julia Marsili; G. Long-Executive Director; Dana Simpson-Staff Accountant; Mary Cole-Admin; Kaylee Dillashaw, Project Manager

Board Members & Staff Absent: K. Hafley-Vice President; Laurie Plautz-Project Manager

Others Present: Ben Cook; Jessie Fowler: Lindsay Mattos, TCRCD

Public Comment: None.

Partner Comment: Jessie Fowler, Ag Dept. reported on the appearance of bird flu in CA.

Consent Agenda Items:

1. Approval of 7/14/22 Minutes. Board Action – **B. Dubois made motion to approve, K. Lambert second. On a 5-0-1 vote, minutes were approved.**
2. Approval of July 2022 Finance Reports – **B. Dubois made motion to approve, K. Lambert second. On a 5-0-1 vote, financials were approved.**

Old Business:

1. Sierra Nevada Conservancy Agreement #1284 – Resolution 2022_04 Award of Pine Ridge-Summit Level Fuelbreak Project– G. Long described the project. **M. Dvorak made motion to approve Resolution 2022_04, B. Dubois second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion passed.**
2. Update on Murphys to Forest Meadows – G. Long reported that this project is stopped for fire season and will resume this fall. CalFire has signed off on work completed by the three contractors and will certify two other portions next week.

   Forest Meadows to Wylderidge – One landowner is requesting a meeting to review what vegetation is to be removed and/or left before signing the ROE.

   Pine Ridge – This project will start this fall.

   Fricot City-Highway 108 – nothing to report.

   Bummerville – Waiting for a signed agreement from Bureau of Land Management so we can get out RFPs.
3. Ad Hoc Committee – Contracts and Policies – S. Beckman reviewed his report. They next will work on the Conflict-of-Interest Policy.
4. Ad Hoc Committee - Bylaws – M. Dvorak reported his committee sent a draft of the Bylaws to County Counsel for review. Plan to present finished proposal at the October meeting.

5. Lilac Park Project – B. Dubois reported the committee met with Mary Boblet to review the project. It was determined they already had everything in place and it would be in our best interest to deny their request due to our current workload. **B. Dubois made a motion to not proceed on being the fiscal sponsor of the Lilac Park project. J. Marsili second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion passed.**

New Business:

1. CCRCD 22/23 Budget – D. Simpson reviewed the proposed budget. **M. Dvorak made a motion to approve the proposed budget. B. Dubois second. On a 5/0/1 vote, motion passed.**
2. Consider Regional Climate Collaborative Program Grant Application – Lindsay Mattos reviewed the relationships of the Collaborative, and history of this project. **M. Dvorak made a motion to proceed with the grant application. B. Dubois second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion passed.**
3. Consider AB1717 (Prevailing Wage Requirement) Letter – G. Long reviewed the Bill. **K. Lambert made a motion to approve G. Long write a letter in opposition of AB1717. Second by B. Dubois. On a 4-1-1 vote, motion passed.**
4. Associate Director Applicant, Ben Cook – M. Dvorak reviewed B. Cook's letter of interest to become an Associate Director and recommends accepting him. **M. Dvorak made a motion to accept Ben Cook as Associate Director. B. Dubois second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion passed.**
5. Accounting Policies and Procedures Manual updates – D. Simpson reviewed her suggested edits. **J. Marsili made a motion to accept the policy as revised. K. Lambert second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion passed.**
6. Common Ground space rental – G. Long reported on a request from Common Ground to rent additional office space on the top floor at the same rate as currently paying. They will hardwire for Internet, and G. Long will paint the space for them. **K. Lambert made a motion to accept request from Common Ground for the rental of additional space. J. Marsili second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion passed.**
7. Time of monthly meeting – G. Long requested to change the time to an earlier time than the current 6:30 pm. **K. Lambert made a motion to change the meeting time to start at 6:00 pm. M. Dvorak second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion passed.**

Reports:

1. Board Member announcements – M. Dvorak announced an upcoming Forest Stewardship Workshop. S. Beckman reported that he will be presenting the CCRCD at a Big Trees Assn. meeting.
2. Staff announcements – D. Simpson reported some safety issues she's experienced around the building and requests we get some security cameras installed outside. G. Long reported he has had discussions with the County regarding restoration work of planting trees on the Electra Fire footprint.

Adjournment of meeting. Meeting adjourned @ 8:30 pm.

Next meeting will be newly scheduled for **Thursday, September 8, 2022 at the new time of <u>6:00 pm</u>.**

Attest:
President, Sid Beckman _____ Date

Secretary, Brady Dubois _____ Date