Minutes of the Calaveras Resource Conservation District (RCD)

Regular Board Meeting
August 10, 2023
423 Saint Charles St, San Andreas, CA

Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by J. Marsili - President @ 6:00 pm

Board Members & Staff Present: B. Dean; M. Dvorak; Sarah Hodson; K. Lambert-V.P.; J. Marsili-President; John Osbourn; Y. Tiscornia; Ben Cook-Assoc. Director; M. Cole-IED & Admin; D. Simpson-Fiscal Director; K. Dillashaw, Project Mgr.; Pat McGreevy, Project Mgr.

Board Members & Staff Absent: L. Plautz-Project Manager

Others Present: Jesse Fowler; Gary Whitson; Gordon Long; Tim Tate; Jennifer Wood; Marcie Powers with Tom VanLok; Mike Massone; Brady Dubois; BurnBot reps (Simon, Blake, Brandon)

Public Comment: None

Order of Business:

- 1. Partner Comment: Jesse Fowler (Ag Dept) reported on talks to open a meat processing plant, and Jennifer Wood (NRCS) supplied her report.
- 2. Sarah Hodson and John Osbourn were sworn in as new board members.

Consent Agenda Items:

- 1. Approval of 7/20/23 Minutes.
- 2. Approval of amended 5/11/2023 Minutes.

B. Dean made the motion to approve the minutes, second by K. Lambert. On a 7-0-0 vote, minutes were approved.

Consent Agenda Items Pulled for Discussion:

1. Approval of July 2023 Finance Reports – M. Dvorak made the motion to approve the financial statements, second by K. Lambert. On a 7-0-0 vote, financials were approved.

Old Business:

- 1. Update on Current CalFire Grants:
 - Forest Meadows to Wylderidge notes are in Grant Report.
 - Update on Murphys to Forest Meadows notes are in Grant Report.
 - Highway 108 notes are in Grant Report.
 - Fricot City notes are in Grant Report.
 - Moke Hill notes are in Grant Report.
- 2. Update on Current SNC Grants:
 - Pine Ridge K. Dillashaw reported this project is more than half completed and is going well.
 - Bummerville/Blizzard Mine P. McGreevy reported he is waiting to hear from BLM about the timber sales. Additional notes are in Grant Report.
- 3. Ad Hoc Committee Sale of Building J. Marsili reported no updates.

4. Review of Policy edits – No policies were reviewed. Discussion on hiring someone to complete. Ad hoc policy committee to write a scope of work for a potential contractor.

New Business:

- 1. Speaker Mike Massone, Calaveras OES Director Mr. Massone introduced himself, shared his background and current projects his department is working on.
- 2. BurnBot Presentation Simon Weibel introduced his company and their fuel reduction operations. Would like to work with the CCRCD to identify future potential projects.
- 3. Outstanding invoices for Murphys to Forest Meadows project D. Simpson described the issues, as identified in the board packet. The board found no action needed.
- 4. New CalFire grants awarded J. Marsili reported receiving award notices for the NW Calaveras Fuels Reduction Project and Calaveras Unified School District Fuels Reduction & Demonstration Forest project.
- 5. Consider meeting time change for the fall/winter—no consensus on changing the meeting time and no further action needed.

Reports:

- Board Member announcements J. Marsili reminded everyone to complete their required trainings.
 B. Dean would like further discussion about the sale of the building.
 M. Dvorak reported there are upcoming Prescribed Burn Assn. trainings and potential for CCRCD
 - board members to attend.
- 2. Staff announcements M. Cole read from her attached report. She also passed around a contact sheet to verify the information, and noted she will be taking new board member headshots at next meeting.

Adjournment of meeting. Meeting adjourned @ 8:12 pm.

Closed Session – Personnel performance and employment. Opened at 8:20 pm. Adjourned 9:01. No reportable action.

Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, September 14, 2023 at 6:00 pm.

Attest: President, Julia Marsili	Date 9/14/2023
Secretary, Mary Cole May M. Cal	Date 9/14/2023