

Minutes of the Calaveras Resource Conservation District (RCD)

Board Meeting

October 4, 2018

Board of Supervisors Chambers

891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA

Call to Order: Meeting opened by R. Dean -President @ 6:15 pm

Board Members & Staff Present: S. Beckman, R. Dean-President, F. Schabram-Treasurer T. Sullivan-Vice President, G. Long – Executive Director, Mary Cole-Admin, Dana Simpson-Staff Accountant

Board Members & Staff Absent: K. Hafley, N. Valente, M. Robie

Others Present: Marg Donnelly, Jill Micheau, Pete Padelford, Bob Polakov, Kevin Wright

Pledge of Allegiance

General Public Comment: None

Regular Agenda Items:

1. Approval of 8/2/18 Minutes. Board Action – **T. Sullivan made motion to approve, F. Schabram second. On a 4-0-3 vote, minutes were approved.**
2. B. Dean – Finance Reports reviewed. **F. Schabram made motion to approve, S. Beckman second. On a 4-0-3 vote, reports were approved.** G. Long requested more specificity on future reports.
3. RCD Partners – Kevin Wright/Ag Dept. reported there was a seminar by Ebbetts Pass Fire, and another is scheduled for 10/23/18. He recommends going. He is working on the Agro Tourism Study with 3 workshops to promote agro tourism in Calaveras County.
4. Resolution for Bylaws – Tabled.
5. PG&E Grant progress – Sent in another invoice for contractor work. We received well over 95% ROE approvals. Because of recent rains, concern of chips going into culvert. They will go in with a skip loader to clear culverts ahead of any problems.
6. Letter of Support for Board panel to go the BOS – Letter was read. **T. Sullivan made a motion to approve the letter as RESOLUTION #21, F. Schabram second. On a 4-0-3 vote, letter was approved.**
7. Discuss CalFire CCI Grant Cycle – Marg Donnelly reported on 2 grants available for forest health and fire reduction/prevention. For greenhouse gases, we need to show we would reduce them rather increase. Suggests partners work together to make one big project rather than several individual projects. **T. Sullivan made motion to create a task force charged with creating a charter to support a grant process for structure. S. Beckman second. On a 4-0-3 vote, motion was approved.**
8. Board project leaders – G. Long asks if any Board member has a particular area of interest that they would like to take the lead on a project. B. Dean said, for example, the oak woodlands are not being addressed if someone would like to take that on. S. Beckman said he is interested in strategic plan to bring together all the partners who deal with fuel reduction.

9. Support for a Fire Marshall position – Discussion was that there would be a need to hire a Fire Marshall if we had an ordinance that all area lots had to be cleaned up.
10. Move documents resolution – The resolution to move our files from the Ag Dept building to our offices at 425 E. St Charles St was read. **F. Schabram made a motion to approve the move as RESOLUTION #20, T. Sullivan second. On a 4-0-3 vote, move was approved.** G. Long will pick up files tomorrow.
11. Conflict of Interest forms – Tabled.
12. Board Member Announcements –
B. Dean asked that everyone think about the leadership positions for next year.
13. Staff Announcements – M. Cole asked to use someone’s credit card to setup the Sexual Harassment Training course. B. Dean agreed to use his.

Adjournment of meeting. Motion to close monthly meeting of the Calaveras RCD initiated by T. Sullivan, 2nd by F. Schabram. Motion carries on a 4-0-3 vote. Meeting adjourned @ 7:30 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for 6:00 pm, November 1st.
Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Attest:

President Robert Dean _____

Secretary _____