

Minutes of the Calaveras Resource Conservation District (RCD)

Regular Board Meeting

May 6, 2021

RCD In-Person & Virtual via GoToMeeting

423 Saint Charles St, San Andreas, CA

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

Board Members & Staff Present: S. Beckman-President; B. Dubois; T. Robertson; M. Robie; G. Long-Executive Director; Dana Simpson-Staff Accountant; Mary Cole-Admin , Jill Micheau – Grant Manager

Board Members & Staff Absent: K. Hafley; K. Lambert;

Others Present: Bobette Parsons-NRCS; Kaylee Dillashaw-Tanner Logging; Patrick McGreevy; Jan Bray; Doug Benton-Arnold Homeowner

Public Comment:

Partners: Ms Parsons reviewed her submitted report.

Consent Agenda Items:

1. Approval of 4/1/21 Minutes. Board Action – **M. Robie made motion to approve, B. Dubois second. On a 4-0-2 vote, minutes were approved.**
2. Approval of April 2021 Finance Reports – **M. Robie made motion to approve, B. Dubois second. On a 4-0-2 vote, financials were approved.**

Old Business:

1. Preliminary Audit Report – Ms Simpson reported she met with auditor. He will provide us with a preliminary report in June and will present it to the Board at July meeting. We will ask the County for a waiver that allows us to do this audit every three years instead of annually.
2. Update on Sale of Building – Mr Robertson reported he researched for a lawyer and found one who belongs to another RCD and has been through the process of selling a government building. It was suggested we first get the appraisal and a land use planner before starting with the attorney. Mr Robie will speak with the agent for an appraisal. It was noted that sub-dividing the property could take 4-6 months and cost near \$15K.
3. Update on Cal Fire Murphys to Forest Meadows Fuel Break Grant: G. Long reported that eight contractors attended the project tour. Four proposals were turned in. The next advance request will be for \$227K. We need to be aware of the Red Flag Warnings and not do work on those days. Three other mastication units and one hand unit remain. RFP's will go out in late summer to be completed in fall/winter 2021/2022.

New Business:

1. Security of building – G. Long reported that tenant Common Ground reported the theft in our parking lot of a catalytic convertor from one of their trucks. The requested we install a motion security camera. Mr Long priced it at \$180 for three cameras plus \$10/month subscription and asked the Board how they would like to proceed. It was agreed to install motion lights instead.
2. Future grants through CalAm – The resolution to participate in these was voted on and passed at our Special Meeting on April 26, 2021. We are moving forward and awaiting a response.

3. Additional Upcoming Grants – G. Long possible areas to get a grant for is the Hwy 26 corridor fuel break. It might be to return the area to a pine forest that was lost in the Butte Fire, and maybe put cattle grazing back on the land.
4. Reimbursement from UCCE – S. Beckman reported that since UCCE pays only a percent of utilities as their rent, and they used very little utilities since COVID, they have paid very little in this last year. They have two year lease ending in June 2022. This item will come back when more input is available from Mr. Hafley.
5. Annual Work Plan – It was suggested that the board hold a special meeting to develop a work plan based on the attached Strategic Plan. The date of May 20, 2021 at 7:30-9:30 am in the CCRC Board Room was chosen.

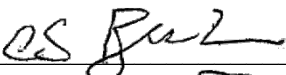
Reports:

5. Committee Reports – None.
6. Other Items for Consideration – None.
7. Board Member announcements – None.
8. Staff announcements – None.


Adjournment of meeting. Meeting adjourned @ 7:15 pm.

Next meeting **will return to in-person** and scheduled for **Thursday, June 3, 2021.**

Attest:

President, Sid Beckman 

Date 6/3/2021

Secretary, Brady Dubois 

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