

Minutes of the Calaveras Resource Conservation District (RCD)
Board Meeting
July 5, 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: 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

Others Present: Brady Dubois, Jill Micheau, Marg Donnelly, Pete Padelford, Bob Polakov

Pledge of Allegiance

General Public Comment: None

Regular Agenda Items:

1. Approval of 6/7/18 Minutes. Board Action – **T. Sullivan made motion to approve, N. Valente second. On a 5-0-1 vote, minutes were approved.**
2. B. Dean - Tabled.
3. RCD Partners – None
4. Submission of SNC grants – Pete Padelford (along with Jill Micheau and Marg Donnelly) reported doing some CEQA planning for a pre-application. The SNC grant was a category 2. There is money to get up front for doing the CEQA for 4 projects that will identify boundaries, and connect projects 1 and 2 with past CCWD plant (Phase 3). Other firebreak projects are Diggins perimeter, Millwoods, and Arnold Wastewater Plant. **T. Sullivan made motion to be fiscal sponsor for the above grant. N. Valente second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion was approved.** Questions about the exact locations of these projects. G. Long said he would get a county map and outline the areas.
5. Building Tenants – Tabled.
6. Commercial Kitchen funding – B. Dean spoke of an idea to build a commercial kitchen on the RCD property. He is asking if the board will support an effort to find funding for this project. Discussions included identifying the need and possible users of the kitchen. He noted that he had a preliminary meeting with some interested parties, and identified the need to find a consultant to do a feasibility study in order to secure a building grant. **N. Valente made motion to support the project. T. Sullivan second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion was approved.**

K. Hafley noted he had recently seen a commercial kitchen that was very well done. He was asked for more information on its location and a contact person.
7. Tier 1/DOC Grants – Tabled. G. Long will check with Diane in County for past Board applicants so we may see if they would like to reapply for vacant position.
8. Bylaws – Tabled.

9. BLM Land Letter – G. Long presented a letter asking BLM to sell off some of their land. **M. Robie made motion to approve the letter. N. Valente second. On a 5-0-1 vote, motion was approved.**
10. Discussion of resolution for BOS to appoint future members – This was already done last month.
11. PG&E Fuels Reduction Grant –Gordon Long received approval to submit the initial grant so we can get some money up front. Meeting with contactor next. This project must be completed by October. \$70K for work, \$12K to manage, \$12K to administer.
12. CalFire grant submission – G. Long reported 2 grants are submitted/ South Fork project did not get submitted because it was deemed too much work in too short a time frame. Waiting to hear back.
13. Board Member Announcements – T. Sullivan noted that the 42-90 state CalFire law regarding driveway slope, setbacks, etc. do not apply to lots prior to 1991 and/or under 1 acre.
14. Staff Announcements – G. Long received a letter from Terry Woodrow from Calaveras/Foothills Fire Safe Council supporting us for our fuels reduction grant projects.

Adjournment of meeting. Motion to close monthly meeting of the Calaveras RCD initiated by T. Sullivan, 2nd by N. Valente. Motion carries on a 5-0-1 vote. Meeting adjourned @ 7:20 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for 6:00 pm, August 2nd.
Meeting adjourned at 7:20 pm.

Attest:

President Robert Dean _____

Secretary _____