

Minutes of the Calaveras Resource Conservation District (RCD)

Board Meeting

August 1, 2019

Board of Supervisors Chambers

891 Mountain Ranch Road, San Andreas, CA

Call to Order: Meeting opened by R. Dean-President @ 6:05 pm

Board Members & Staff Present: R. Dean-President; K. Hafley; M. Robie; F. Schabram; N. Valente - Treasurer; G. Long-Executive Director; Mary Cole-Admin Dana Simpson-Staff Accountant

Board Members & Staff Absent: S. Beckman; T. Sullivan-Vice President;

Others Present: Brady Dubois; Pete Padelford

Pledge of Allegiance

Public Comment: None.

Consent Agenda Items:

1. Approval of 7/10/19 Minutes. Board Action – **K. Hafley made motion to approve, F. Schabram second. On a 5-0-2 vote, minutes were approved.**
2. Approval of Finance Reports – **K. Hafley made motion to approve, F. Schabram second. On a 5-0-2 vote, reports were approved.**
3. RCD Partners –Ms. Parsons’ report was reviewed. Mr. Dubois updated us on the SPI fuel break work being done on the Highway 4 corridor and Love Creek areas.

Old Business:

4. Budget – D. Simpson reviewed the submitted budget proposal and answered questions. **F. Schabram made motion to approve, N. Hafley second. On a 5-0-2 vote, 2019-2020 Budget was approved.**
5. Rental Agreement with UCCE –The Board was updated on the signing of the Rental Agreement.
6. Progress on Mill Woods Project – P. Padelford stated the project should be completed in 2-3 weeks. More chips to cover were needed. Contractors have been doing a great job, being responsible. There was a nice article in the Calaveras Enterprise.
7. Lease with Common Ground – G. Long reported he is still working on this.
8. Discussion of BLM parcel issues – M. Robie went to the Sacramento BLM office. He found out that Calaveras County has the largest number of odd parcels. Asked if we should consider getting the other RCDs interested in collaborating. G. Long suggests keeping Matt Reid involved. Further discussion centered on keeping it local being the better option. And to build a pilot program with 4 or 5 properties.
9. Progress of RCCP Project – G. Long reviewed status. It is ongoing, he received 30 calls for assistance. There was an article on the program in the Calaveras Enterprise.
10. SNC Forest Health Grant – J. Micheau did submit the pre-app. It combined 3 projects for CEQA for \$99,000, and includes 757 acres in total. September is due the final app.

11. Discussion of DOC grant through the ACT Partnership –The District Manager for Tuolumne was working on this and decided not to go forward with it.
12. Boardroom Renovations Committee – K. Hafley request a proposal from an electrician. M. Robie brought the safety gear for workers.

New Business:

13. Fire Marshall position – K. Hafley noted the County has posted a job opening on their website.
14. Board Reports – N. Valente noted a star thistle invasion and suggests we find a grant to help people spray for this.
15. Staff Reports – M. Cole reported she has all the agendas and minutes posted on the website.

Adjournment of meeting. Motion to close monthly meeting of the Calaveras RCD initiated by K. Hafley, 2nd by F. Schabram. Motion carries on a 5-0-2 vote. Meeting adjourned @ 7:30 pm.

Next meeting scheduled for Thursday, September 5, 2019.
Meeting adjourned at 7:30 pm.

Attest:

President, Robert Dean _____

Date _____

Secretary, Gordon Long _____

Date _____