

SHASTA VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Siskiyou County, California

Summarized **MINUTES** from Board of Directors' regular meeting of Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, Yreka, California, on June 15, 2016.

Directors Present: Bill Hirt, Ryan Walker, Rich Klug

Associate Directors: None

Staff Present: Karen Mallory, Ayn Perry, Ally Lutes, Brooke Mejica

Guests in attendance: John Morris, Jim Patterson

Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:08 p.m. by Bill Hirt.

Review and Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by common consent.

Introductions

Introductions were done.

Public Comment

None

CLOSED SESSION: Personnel – Government Code 54957

The Board went into Closed Session at 6:12

RETURN TO OPEN SESSION – Report Closed Session Decisions

The Board returned to Open Session at 6:45. Bill Hirt reported that with a motion from Ryan Walker, a second from Rich Klug, and a unanimous vote, the Board approved pay increases for Brooke Mejica and Ally Lutes as documented.

Approval of Minutes: Regular Meeting May 11, 2016

ACTION: Approve minutes of May 11, 2016.

MOTION: Hirt; SECOND: Walker; AYES: Unanimous (Hirt, Klug, Walker); NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None.

Financial Report

Financial Report was reviewed.

Available Unrestricted Funds Balance as of 5/31/16 \$ 41,168.00

Restricted Funds Balance as of 5/31/16 \$ 18,389.31

ACTION: Approve Financial Report. MOTION: Walker; SECOND: Klug; AYES: Unanimous (Hirt, Klug, Walker); NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None.

IRS Penalties/Interest from 2012 and 2013 Payment Errors

An update on the IRS appeal was discussed. The Board preferred resolving the issue without going into the formal appeals hearing process.

Budget Transfer – None

Financing Options - None

Ratify Payroll

ACTION: Ratify payroll; MOTION: Hirt; SECOND: Klug; AYES: Unanimous (Hirt, Klug, Walker); NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None.

Approval of Bills

ACTION: Approve warrant authorizations; MOTION: Klug; SECOND: Walker; AYES: Unanimous (Hirt, Klug, Walker); NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None.

Approval of Donation(s) Received – None

Correspondence

Information about SB 885 regarding construction contracts was reviewed.

RCD Reports – Board, District Administrator and Staff (may be heard anytime during meeting)

Bill Hirt reported on the Durable Collaboration meeting he attended in Ukiah with other RCDs.

Ryan Walker suggested looking into how SVRCD could work with NRCS to assist landowners with SB 88 monitoring requirements. The topic was discussed, but Jim Patterson said at this time the monitoring is not aligned with an NRCS resource concern.

Brooke Mejica (SVRCD) reported on developing a contract in which SVRCD will provide monitoring services to The Nature Conservancy this summer as part of a flow study.

Ally Lutes (SVRCD) gave an update on the Novy fish passage design work and said she had obtained full funding to implement the Parks Creek fish passage project.

Ayn Perry (SVRCD) reported on the status of the revised Long Range Plan, which is nearly ready for final review.

Karen Mallory (SVRCD) reported on the Shasta River Watershed Stewardship Report and shared the outline that lists components of the report.

County Supervisor's Report

None present.

Other Agency/Group Reports

John Morris (USFWS) reported on the status of funding for SVRCD projects.

Jim Patterson (NRCS) gave an update on EQIP projects.

Business

1. Tailwater 3 Project Plan Update – Asil Donna, Aqua Terra

Asil Donna (Aqua Terra), consulting project manager for the "Tailwater 3" Irrigation Water Management 319(h) grant, gave the Board an update on the projects and presented them with the draft Initial Study/Mitigated Negative Declaration CEQA document for their review. The first project planned to be implemented is Kettle Spring Improvement Project, which will go out to bid this summer.

2. Accept RAC Soap Creek Forestry Grant \$27,711.25

Ally Lutes (SVRCD) explained that the RAC had awarded half of the proposed amount for this fuel break work west of Yreka, but that it would still allow for a good project to be completed.

ACTION: Approve the RAC grant in the amount of \$27,711.25. MOTION: Walker; SECOND: Klug; AYES: Unanimous (Hirt, Klug, Walker); NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None.

3. Accept 2016 CWA 319(h) Stewardship Implementation grant \$341,204

Karen Mallory (SVRCD) described the new 319(h) grant that had been awarded for riparian fencing and stockwater systems on the Shasta.

ACTION: Approve the 319(h) grant in the amount of \$341,204. MOTION: Walker; SECOND: Klug; AYES: Unanimous (Hirt, Klug, Walker); NOES: None; ABSTENTIONS: None.

4. Update Board Profiles for Website and Newsletter

Information was updated.

5. Consider being Lead Agency for CEQA for Plumas Corporation Project on Trout Creek

Ally Lutes (SVRCD) explained why SVRCD has been asked to fill this role and what it entails. More information will be available at the next meeting.

6. Landline Phone for South County Office

Karen Mallory (SVRCD) explained a phone should be provided for the South County office for staff to use. The Board agreed by common consent.

7. Schedule summer meeting dates/location.

The board agreed to stay with the regular second Wednesday meeting night for July (13th) and August (10th) at 6:30 pm at the NRCS office conference room.

Meeting Adjourned – 8:15 p.m.

Minutes approved as typed as corrected.

Chairman

Date

District Administrator