SHASTA VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT
Siskiyou County, California

Summarized MINUTES from Board of Directors' meeting of Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, Yreka, California, on June 13th, 2018.

Directors Present: Bill Hirt, Ryan Walker, Beth Sandahl
Directors Absent: Rich Klug, Chris Robertson
Associate Directors: None
Staff Present: Ayn Perry, Brandy Caporaso, Ed Stanton,
Guests in attendance: Janae Scruggs, CDFW; Jim Patterson, NRCS; Ada Fowler, TNC

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by President Bill Hirt at 6:30 p.m.

Review and Approval of Agenda
Approved by common consent

Introductions
Introductions were not needed.

Public Comment None

Approval of Minutes
Regular Meeting of May 9, 2018. ACTION: Approve Minutes MOTION: Sandahl; SECOND: Walker; AYES: Sandahl, Walker, Hirt, NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None, Motion Approved.

Special Meeting of May 16, 2018. ACTION: Approve Minutes. MOTION: Sandahl; SECOND: Walker; AYES: Sandahl, Walker, Hirt, NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None, Motion Approved.

Presentation
Ada Fowler with The Nature Conservancy spoke about their Water Balance Study, the partnership flow group, Water Transaction Program and some TNC real-time stations. They now have a better understanding of the flow pathways and the limitation of measurements in the Shasta River after our cooperative two year study. She stated how important it was during low water years like this one, for the Shasta River flow group to work together to keep water in the river for salmon. She presented a graph that indicated how transactions for additional fall flows benefitted the river. She also stated that TNC is trying to find funding to continue this work and would like to pass project management along to another group. They have been using real-time stations and tracking data since 2006 on the Shasta Springs and Nelson Ranches.

Financial Report
Caporaso presented the SVRCD financial report.


Budget Transfer
See item #4 under Business

Ratify Payroll
Caporaso presented payroll for ratification.
ACTION: Approve Payroll. MOTION: Walker; SECOND: Sandahl; AYES: Hirt, Walker, Sandahl; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

Approval of Bills
Caporaso presented bills for payment.
ACTION: Approve Bills for Payment. MOTION: Walker, SECOND: Sandahl; AYES: Sandahl, Hirt, Walker; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

Approval of Donations Received – None received

Correspondence
Caporaso presented an email from the City of Yreka with pictures of the CA Conservation Corp working on the Yreka Creek project. She also presented the engagement letter from Goranson and Associates for FY17-18 audit.

Business – Discussion and Possible Action
1. Walker discussed US Dept. of Interior Deputy Commissioner Alan Mikkelsen’s previous visits and his visit in the next week. He also made suggestions on changes to the letter. ACTION: Approve letter to Alan Mikkelsen, with consent-agreed edits. MOTION: Hirt, SECOND: Sandahl. AYES: Sandahl, Hirt, Walker; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

2. Caporaso led the discussion that she believed it wasn’t correct timing to separate from the county for banking needs. She will do more research as well. No action taken.

3. Stanton gave an update regarding Durable Collaboration with the North Coast RCD’s and stated it is worthwhile. Board agreed to stay involved. No action taken.

4. Caporaso presented Budget Transfer to cover expenditures for the remainder of the FY17/18. ACTION: MOTION: Walker, SECOND: Sandahl. AYES: Sandahl, Hirt, Walker; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

Project Reports
Perry gave updates on groundwater, SRWA, MG Weir and Bogus Creek. Stanton also gave updates on the groundwater and also Novy/Rice/Zenkus and Parks Creek fish passage improvement projects.

Board and Staff Reports – None

Other Agency/Group Reports
Scruggs stated that WCB approved the sale of the TNC property to CDFW. There is no timeframe for when the sale would close. She thanked the BOD for the letter to WCB. She stated that the flows are anticipated to be low this year, and therefore fish rescue is starting. Patterson is tentatively on the Board of Supervisors schedule to make his presentation on July 3rd. He will report that the RCDs have brought in $35-40 million into the county since 2002. He gave an update regarding the farm bill.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting – None at this time.

Meeting Adjourned – 9:03 p.m. by Hirt.
Minutes approved.

William H. Hitch
Chairman
8 Aug 2018

Date

District Administrator