

# SHASTA VALLEY RESOURCE CONSERVATION DISTRICT

Siskiyou County, California

Summarized **MINUTES** from Board of Directors' meeting of Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, Yreka, California, on January 9, 2019.

Directors Present: Beth Sandahl, Rich Klug, Bill Hirt, Chris Robertson, Ryan Walker

Directors Absent: None

Associate Directors: Stan Sears

Staff Present: Brandy Caporaso, Ed Stanton

Guests in attendance: Jim Patterson, NRCS

## Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Chair Hirt at 6:32 p.m.

## Review and Approval of Agenda

Approved by common consent

## Introductions

Introductions were not needed.

## Public Comment None

## Approval of Minutes

**ACTION:** Approve Minutes of December 12, 2018. **MOTION:** Hirt, **SECOND:** Sandahl; **AYES:** Sandahl, Hirt, Robertson, Klug, Walker; **NOES:** None; **ABSTENSIONS:** None. Motion Approved.

## Presentation

None

## Financial Report

Caporaso presented the SVRCD financial report.

**ACTION:** Approve Financial Report. **MOTION:** Walker, **SECOND:** Klug; **AYES:** Sandahl, Klug, Robertson, Hirt, Walker; **NOES:** None; **ABSTENSIONS:** None. Motion Approved.

## Ratify Payroll

Caporaso presented payroll for ratification.

**ACTION:** Approve Payroll. **MOTION:** Hirt; **SECOND:** Sandahl; **AYES:** Klug, Robertson, Hirt, Sandahl, Walker; **NOES:** None; **ABSTENSIONS:** None. Motion Approved.

## Approval of Bills

Caporaso presented bills for payment.

**ACTION:** Approve Bills for Payment. **MOTION:** Hirt, **SECOND:** Klug; **AYES:** Sandahl, Klug, Robertson, Hirt, Walker; **NOES:** None; **ABSTENSIONS:** None. Motion Approved.

## Budget Transfer:

Motion to move funds from 611100 to 611100/2045 and from 624120 to 624120/2045. This moves existing funds from an interest bearing account to a non-interest bearing account as required by the Prop 1 Sustainable Groundwater Grant. **Tabled**

Motion to approve all payroll related fund transfers associated with for the 2017 Proposition 1 Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant for SVRCD's project titled: "Groundwater Monitoring Implementation Program

for the Shasta Valley GSA” from the county auditor’s interfund cash account to the 2045 account on a payroll by payroll basis throughout the life of the grant. **Tabled**

**Approval of Donations Received:** None received

**Correspondence:** Stanton presented The Notice of Applicability from the North Coast Regional Water Quality Control Board for the Novy/Rice/Zenkus project and the pursuant letter from an engineer wanting the engineering plans. Stanton stated he responded to the requester with additional questions and has not heard a response.

**Business – Discussion and Possible Action**

- 1. Approval of Operational Agreement between the Yreka Field Office of the Natural Resources Conservation Service and the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District for January 1, 2019 to December 31, 2019.** Patterson reviewed the MOU and responded to questions from the board. *ACTION: Approve Agreement. MOTION: Robertson, SECOND: Walker, AYES: Sandahl, Klug, Robertson, Hirt, Walker, NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.*
- 2. Acceptance of Final Fiscal Audit FY 17/18.** Caporaso presented the final audit with no changes from what was presented by Goranson & Associates at the December meeting. *ACTION: Approve Audit. MOTION: Hirt, SECOND: Walker, AYES: Sandahl, Klug, Robertson, Hirt, Walker, NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.*
- 3. Approval of Larry Walker Associates subcontract for Phase I work for the 2017 Proposition 1 Sustainable Groundwater Planning Grant for SVRCD’s project titled: “Groundwater Monitoring Implementation Program for the Shasta Valley GSA”.** Caporaso presented the subcontract. *ACTION: Approve Subcontract. MOTION: Klug, SECOND: Sandahl; AYES: Sandahl, Klug, Robertson, Hirt, Walker, NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.*

**Project Reports:**

Caporaso gave updates on the groundwater grant regarding existing well monitoring, CIMIS station locations, and the basin boundary modification was resubmitted by the GSA with significant technical assistance from LWA. She also informed the board the Scott and Shasta Rivers Rotary Screw Trap annual reports were published.

Stanton reported that:

- A 319h grant was submitted to the State Water Boards for a ranch on Parks Creek. This spurred discussion regarding other existing projects in the valley, how to go about reaching ranchers that we are not working with and the next round of grant applications.
- There will be a proposal submitted for a forest watershed coordinator position that will fund 2 staff members.
- KNF submitted a 319h grant to Water Boards for RCD to manage the grant and implement legacy projects in Horse Creek Watershed
- Dan Blessing and he met with CalFire on contracting with CalFire to manage the Craggy project.
- NFWF has \$5-6 million from the USFS for the Craggy project.
- Presented examples of contracts with CalFire and scopes of work.

**Board and Staff Reports:**

Sandahl discussed the weir issues and reporting. She has concerns that misinformation is being given to the RCD which is being passed along unknowingly.

Walker would like to see stronger ties with the RCD and the Farm Bureau to rebuild relationships in the valley. Patterson suggested conducting outreach to the various water districts and attending their meetings.

A suggestion was made by the board to donate \$75 for the Farm Bureau dinner.

**Other Agency/Group Reports**

Patterson gave his update on the Groundwater Advisory Committee meeting. Stating that the basin boundary modification needed to be more factual to submit to DWR, The facilitator gave a presentation and the board is being expanded to fill all the seats and that the meetings will be more frequent. He did not have an update regarding the government shut down and stated that the NRCS office is open for the foreseeable future depending on how long the shutdown lasts.

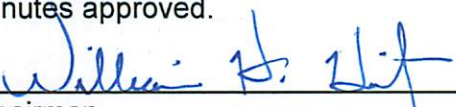

**Agenda Items for Next Meeting:** The board would like to see a staff communication policy.

**Closed Session – Personnel Government Code 54957** ACTION: Move to go into closed session.

MOTION: Walker, SECOND: Klug AYES: Sandahl, Klug, Hirt, Robertson, Walker; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

**Return to Open Session - Report Decisions Made in Closed Session** Board ratified the hiring made by staff and approved additional applicant as presented for Fisheries Technician position.

**Meeting Adjourned** – 8:55 by Hirt

Minutes approved.

Chairman
8-May-2019
Date

District Administrator