Summarized MINUTES from Board of Directors' meeting of Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, Yreka, California, on May 8, 2019.

Directors Present: Ryan Walker, Bill Hirt, Chris Robertson, Beth Sandahl
Directors Absent: Rich Klug
Associate Directors: None
Staff Present: Brandy Caporaso, Ed Stanton, Mike Riney, Ethan Brown
Guests in attendance: Jim Patterson, NRCS; Dave Webb; Angelina Cook; Susan Hart; Justin Gibson

Call to Order
The meeting was called to order by Chair Walker at 6:30 p.m.

Review and Approval of Agenda
Approved by common consent

Introductions
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Public Comment None

Presentation: Mike Riney, SVRCD Staff, presented results of the 2018 Shasta River monitoring season. A slide regarding the Shasta River Fall Flow Program currently run by TNC activated discussion regarding participants in the program who are donating water for the program, what is the status of SVRCD taking over the program from TNC and the use of the existing funds committed for establishing a water trust to help transfer the program to SVRCD. Questions that Riney will respond to at a later date after some research: 1. Are the in-migration and out-migration numbers of Coho and Chinook on the rise as a result from the restoration efforts that have been put in place over the last 20 years? 2. Where are the flow numbers coming from for the fall flow program?

Approval of Minutes
ACTION: Approve Minutes of April 10, 2019 as amended. MOTION: Robertson, SECOND: Sandahl; AYES: Hirt, Walker, Robertson, Sandahl; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.


ACTION: Approve Minutes of March 26, 2019. MOTION: Hirt, SECOND: Sandahl; AYES: Hirt, Walker, Robertson, Sandahl; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

Financial Report
Caporaso presented the SVRCD financial report.

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

Budget Transfer:
Motion to Approve: Transfer of $2,000 from Activity Code 2045 611100 of $60,000 to Activity Code 2045 624120 of $4,000. This moves funds from Regular Wages which has sufficient budget to Other Benefits (CalPERS) which was under budgeted. New budget amounts will be $58,000 for 2405/611100 and $6,000 for 2045/624120. ACTION: Approve Budget Transfer. MOTION: Hirt; SECOND: Sandahl; AYES: Walker, Sandahl, Hirt, Robertson; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

Motion to Approve: Transfer of $5,000 from 728000 Special Departmental Expense of $420,173 to 744000 interest on Long Term Dept of $5,127 in order to cover interest payments on line of credit. There is sufficient budget within 728000 to cover this move. The new budgets will be $415,173 for 728000 and $10,271 for 744000. ACTION: Approve Budget Transfer. MOTION: Sandahl; SECOND: Hirt; AYES: Walker, Sandahl, Hirt, Robertson; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

Approval of Donations Received: None received

Correspondence: Caporaso presented a Notice of Vacancy for LAFCO and a Cal-Ore Membership request. No action taken.

Business – Discussion and Possible Action
1. Justin Gibson, Range Manager, with Klamath National Forest provided an update on Base Property Requirements for Grazing Permits on KNF. No action or direction.

2. Caporaso presented the proposed budget for the FY19/20 to be submitted to the Auditor’s Office. ACTION: Approve Preliminary Budget for FY 2019-2020. MOTION: Robertson; SECOND: Sandahl; AYES: Walker, Sandahl, Hirt, Robertson; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

3. Stanton presented the details of the Panther Creek project. Walker voiced an opinion that the Fall Flow Program is more valuable from a conservation standpoint and would rather have the focus be on the Fall Flow Program than this if resources are tight. Sandahl and Robertson voiced their support for the importance of the fall flow program while acknowledging the importance of the Panther Creek project. ACTION: Resolution authorizing application to state Department of Water Resources’ Urban Streams Restoration Program for planning and community engagement on the McCloud Panther Creek Greenway, with co-applicant McCloud Watershed Council. MOTION: Robertson; SECOND: Sandahl; AYES: Walker, Sandahl, Hirt, Robertson; NOES: None; ABSTENSIONS: None. Motion Approved.

Project Reports:
Brown updated the board on the progress of the groundwater project.
Stanton gave updates on the following projects:
  • Novy-WCB update-not funded but scored well therefore a viable project
  • Parks Creek-making progress on permits. Construction should be complete by end of year.
  • Yreka Creek-participated in the Earth Day event.
  • MS City Park-still exploring right grant opportunity
  • Craggy Project-Signed a service agreement with CalFire for permitting work. The Craggy project is held up because of revenue issues.
Board and Staff Reports: None

Other Agency/Group Reports
Patterson stated that there has been no feedback from the state conservationist visit. They are interviewing interns for the summer program. Jim Spears replacement is being sought and interviewing is starting. Anticipates that funding will remain normal but the farm budget hasn’t been published.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting: None

Meeting Adjourned – 9:48 pm by Walker

Minutes approved.

Chairman
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Date

District Administrator