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Siskiyou County, California

## MINUTES

Summarized **MINUTES** from the Board of Directors' Regular monthly meeting of the Shasta Valley Resource Conservation District, in Yreka, California, on Wednesday, November 20, 2024.

This meeting was conducted as a live in-person meeting with remote access for those who wished to attend via Zoom. The location for the meeting was the Siskiyou Economic Development Council conference room, 1512 S. Oregon Street; Yreka, CA.

Directors Present: Jay Perkins, Mike Luiz, Ryan Walker, Bill Hirt

Directors Absent:

Associate Directors: None

Staff Present: Rod Dowse, Alisa Scholberg, contract bookkeeper, Dan Blessing, Renee Main

Guests: Jim Patterson, NRCS District Conservationist

### Call to Order

After a quorum was established, the meeting was called to order at 6:30pm by Chairman Walker.

### Review and Approval of Agenda

The agenda was approved by common consent.

Introductions None needed.

Public Comment: None.

Presentations; None

### Approval of Minutes

Walker presented the Minutes for approval. **ACTION:** Approve Minutes for October and Special meeting November. **MOTION: Luiz SECOND: Perkins. Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Luiz, Hirt **Noes:** None **Abstentions:** None **Motion Approved**

### Financial Report:

Scholberg presented the Financial Report for discussion and approval. The bank balance is \$1,058,116.02, of which \$390,170.45 is restricted. The total assets are \$2,067,077.25 which includes \$874,834.24 in Accounts Receivable. The total Liabilities are \$1,135,592.02 which includes \$1,110,792.05 in Accounts Payable.

**ACTION:** Approve Financial Report for October. **MOTION: Perkins SECOND: Hirt Approved by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Luiz, Hirt, **Noes:** None **Abstentions:** None **Motion Carried.**

### Ratify Payroll

Scholberg reviewed the payroll with the Board for October 2024 in the amount of **\$41,411.83**. **ACTION:** Approve Payroll. **MOTION:** Luiz **SECOND:** Perkins **Approved by Voice Vote:** **AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Luiz, Hirt, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

**Approval of Bills**

Scholberg presented the October bills for review and approval. Warrants for **\$755,467.13**, were submitted for approval. **ACTION:** Approve Bills for Payment. **MOTION:** Hirt **SECOND:** Perkins **Approved by Voice Vote:** **AYES:** Walker, Perkins, Luiz, Hirt, **NOES:** None; **ABSTENTIONS:** None. **Motion Approved.**

<b>Overhead:</b>	<b>\$12,691.76</b>
US Bank	\$629.73
Banner CC	\$323.80
Alisa Scholberg Bkkpt	\$2,900.00
Cal Ore	\$109.00
Streamline	\$65.00
Mountaineer IT	\$1,238.00
Principal	\$339.70
Blue Shield	\$4,202.74
Anna Parry	\$30.00
Tenaya Bearmar	\$30.00
Tenaya Bearmar	\$47.50
SDRMA	\$47.17
CA Special District	\$238.00

<b>Grant Invoices:</b>	<b>\$742,775.37</b>
Kathryn Cowley	\$3,000.00
Andrea Claassen	\$790.20
A Mod Saws	\$13,223.38
Clere, Inc.	\$687.50
CLT Logging	\$177,000.00
Conner Brothers	\$36,000.00
Davids Engineering	\$4,085.58
JCota Forestry	\$2,092.50
JCota Forestry	\$104,625.00
Jefferson Resource	\$783.58
Jefferson Resource	\$312.43
Jefferson Resource	\$921.01
Jefferson Resource	\$2,343.13
Jefferson Resource	\$668.70
Jefferson Resource	\$8,148.56
Jefferson Resource	\$1,032.31
Jefferson Resource	\$350.00
Jefferson Resource	\$10,072.89
Jefferson Resource	\$346,994.87
Jefferson Resource	\$2,729.60
Jefferson Resource	\$2,171.70
Jefferson Resource	\$614.26
Lawrence & Associates	\$840.00
Salmon River Restoration	\$22,288.17
Quartz Valley Indian	\$1,000.00

**Budget Transfers:** None  
**Approval of Donations Received:** None  
**Correspondence:** None

### **Business – Discussion and Possible Action**

**11.1- Discussion and Possible Action: Resolution 24-07, NCWQB agreement for three years of monitoring on the Shasta River.** Dowse presented the project that will provide more than 100k over a three year period to help support continued TMDL monitoring on the Shasta River starting in 2025. **ACTION:** Approve Resolution. **MOTION: Luiz SECOND: Perkins APPROVED by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Hirt, Perkins, Luiz **NOES:** None **ABSTENTIONS: Motion Approved.**

**11.2- Discussion and Possible Action: West Mt Shasta Contract Awards.** Blessing presented the contract bids for the West Mt Shasta Resilience grant. All contracts received one bid only. Contract award for SLT Handwork South Contract 88 acres be to Summit Forests Inc. Contract award for SLT Handwork Central Contract 25 acres be to Summit Forests Inc. Contract award for SLT Handwork North Contract 126 acres be to Summit Forests Inc and contract award for SLT Mastication 2 Contract 66 acres be to 2C Land and Timber Management. **MOTION: Luiz SECOND: Perkins APPROVED by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Hirt, Perkins, Luiz **NOES:** None **ABSTENTIONS: Motion Approved recommended contract awards.**

**11.3- Discussion and Possible Action: McKinley Scott contract award.** Blessing presented the contract had three bids for 754 acres for biomass. Negotiations for a lesser award amount with Darrah Logging. Work to be completed by March 2025. He recommended an award of \$1.7 million (\$2,350/acre) be to Darrah Logging as the low bid on the project. **MOTION: Perkins SECOND: Luiz APPROVED by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Hirt, Perkins, Luiz. **NOES:** None **ABSTENTIONS: Motion Approved contract award to Darrah Logging.**

**11.4 Discussion and Possible Action: 2024-25 SVRCD Final Budget Approval.** Dowse presented the final budget after changes made from previous meeting. **MOTION: Perkins SECOND: Luiz APPROVED by Voice Vote: AYES:** Walker, Hirt, Perkins, Luiz **NOES:** None **ABSTENTIONS: Motion Approved, Final Budget Approved.**

### **Staff and Project Reports**

Blessing presented updates on new grants. State budget determines State grants. Prop 4 passed and this would allow for more forestry, Conservation and climate related work to be done. Two CalFire grants just were awarded and potential Lead Agency grants from private forestry companies that have CalFire grants. Timber Products contacted EDC to do a feasibility project considering a BioMass plant at their location. They would like to consider biomass to run their facility, install dryers for logs and potentially future electric charging stations for trucks. SVRCD is providing NRCS technical assistance for forestry work.

Dowse presented that we sent back a clean NRZ grant that landowners approved. A meeting on the Meamber Fish Screen for spring work. Met with Point Blue who received a Wildlife Conservation Board grant for wildlife enhancement and are looking for managers of subgrants. With the passing of Prop 4, state agencies will be awarding grants for conservation of soils, water and wildlife enhancement. Still working with State Coastal for forestry fuels capacity for a 3-year grant. Will be attending the CARCD annual meeting in December.

**Other Agency/Group Reports:**

Patterson gave an NRCS report. RCPP with NFWF has completely changed and will roll out in January. Irrigation efficiency drought tolerant grant awarded to Scott River Water Trust. Grant will bring in Field Office Engineer to help NRCS. If any landowners need retrofits or irrigation efficiency management that are in Shasta Valley the grant may be able to help. Federal budget has appropriations on the budget in mid-December. There is a potential hiring freeze till the federal budget is released. Approval for one more Soil Conservationist to hire.

**Closed Session:** Start 7:45 pm

**11.5 Discussion and Possible action: Employee Benefits. SDI insurance was discussed for employee vote. Gift cards for employees for Christmas was discussed. Initial discussion of compensation Philosophy and Employee review.**

**Adjourned: 8:25pm**



**Meeting Adjourned –**

The meeting was adjourned at 8:25 pm by Chairman Walker.

Next Meeting: December 18, 2024.

**Future Agenda Items:**

Minutes submitted by Renee Main on November 25, 2024.

Minutes approved as typed as corrected.	
	
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Chairman	December 18,2024 Date
	
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District Administrator	December 18,2024 Date