

BOARD MEETING MINUTES
9:00 A.M. - JULY 12, 2022

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: President Harry Lyons called the meeting to order at 9:04 a.m.

Directors present: Jim Bridges, Randy Krag, Harry Lyons, Shula Shoup, Merry Jo Velasquez

Directors Absent: None

Others Present: Tracy Cline, Greg Dills, Laurie Hutchison, Kristina Linder, Davis Palmer, Tracy Cline

1. **INTRODUCTION** - Introduce Tracy Cline, Alma de Paredes, Davis Palmer
2. **PUBLIC INPUT** - None
3. **SAFETY MEETING** – Safety materials remain unavailable
4. **CONSENT CALENDAR: APPROVE MINUTES OF JUNE 14, 2022, MEETING AND JUNE 24, 2022, SPECIAL MEETING: ACCEPT MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT; APPROVE AND PAY BILLS** – MOTION TO APPROVE with four Directors present and one item pulled. Monthly financial report was pulled and accepted in separate vote. For both votes: Krag moved, and Bridges seconded.

Ayes: Lyons, Krag, Bridges, Shoup

Noes: None

Absent: Velasquez

Abstained: None

5. **DISCUSSION**

5.1 **Discussion of Succession in Officers, Staff and Committee Structure.** Randall Krag is the Board's new Vice President, succeeding William Lincoln. Merry Jo Velasquez is the new Secretary, succeeding Victoria Brandon. Review the makeup of the Personnel, Grants and Financial Committees.

5.2 **Discussion of recommended budget.** The District is running at a loss. The Finance Committee is working on a recommended budget per the County. Final Budget to be submitted to the County in August. May include recruiting dollars for District Manager.

6. **ONGOING PROJECTS**

6.1 **Recruiting of Directors and Associate Directors** – Recruiting strategies discussed.

6.2 **Meisenbach Scholarship** – Finalized for the year.

6.3 **Invasive Weed Tour** – Successfully concluded for the year.

6.4 **Field Days in the Creek** – Successfully concluded for the year.

6.5 **Kids in the Creek** – Successfully concluded for the year.

6.6 **Trout in the Classroom** – Successfully concluded for the year.

7. **REPORTS/UPDATES**

7.1 Lake County Fire Safety Council Report – Laurie Hutchison – Report to be distributed. Laurie participated in a two-day Fire Safe Workshop held by the Fire Adaptive Communities Learning Network, emphasizing collaboration.

7.2 NRCS Report – Korinn Woodard – Absent

7.3 **Goats Rue Project** – Greg Dills

7.4 **Caltrans Revegetation Projects** – Greg Dills. Greg also reported on the need to repair or remove the large printer in the RCD office. Greg will confer with repair folks and ready assistance for possible removal and disposal.

7.5 **Civic Spark Fellow Report** – Kristina Linder - Absent

7.6 **County Land Trust Wright Project** – Grant proposal to be submitted on Friday, July 15, 2022, with the response expected in November of 2022. A total of \$208K over five years.

7.7 **President/Director Report** – Harry Lyons discussed that the district is operating at a loss. Shula Shoup recommended a tree service to the Board to include in the vendor list. No other news.

8. **NEW BUSINESS**

8.1 **Consider/Vote on contracting with Lincoln Leavitt for Directors and Officers Insurance** - Velasquez moved to move ahead on securing insurance. Bridges Seconded.

Ayes: Lyons, Velasquez, Shoup, Bridges, Krag

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none

8.2 **Consider/Vote on advertising to fill District Manager position** - Krag moved and Shoup seconded to proceed with advertising. Money for the position will be included in the budget using reserve funds to balance.

Ayes: Lyons, Velasquez, Shoup, Bridges, Krag

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none

9. **GENERAL DISCUSSION** – Harry Lyons to discuss hiring strategies with Karen Burr and Randall Krag to take lead in recruiting District Manager. Confirmed to all Board members the new start time of 9:00 a.m.

10. **ADJOURN** Krag moved and Shoup seconded.

Ayes: Lyons, Velasquez, Shoup, Bridges, Krag

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none