



MINUTES
10AM September 8, 2020
via videoconference

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: President Harry Lyons called the meeting to order at 10:05AM.
Directors present: Victoria Brandon, Jim Bridges, Harry Lyons, Shula Shoup, Merry Jo Velasquez
Directors absent: William Lincoln
Others present: Linda Juntunen, Greg Dills, Korinn Woodard, Will Evans

1. INTRODUCTIONS : none needed

2. PUBLIC INPUT: none

3. SAFETY MEETING “Driven to Distraction” conducted by Lyons

4. APPROVE MINUTES

MOTION: Velasquez moved and Brandon seconded to **approve the minutes of the August 11, 2020 meeting**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: Lincoln

Abstained: none

MOTION: Bridges moved and Velasquez seconded to **approve the minutes of the August 28, 2020 special meeting**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: Lincoln

Abstained: none

5. FINANCIAL REPORT

5.1 Monthly Report

MOTION: Brandon moved and Velasquez seconded to **accept the financial report**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: Lincoln

Abstained: none

6. APPROVE & PAY BILLS

MOTION: Shoup moved and Velasquez seconded to **approve and pay current bills**

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: Lincoln

Abstained: none

7. CORRESPONDENCE: none needing attention

8. ONGOING PROJECTS

- 8.1 Recruiting of Directors and Associate Directors: the county has learned that the District 3 Director position is vacant; we need to recruit actively to find a suitable replacement
- 8.2 Meisenbach Scholarship: no action until 2021
- 8.3 Invasive Weed Tour: no action until 2021
- 8.4 Field Days in the Creek: no action until 2021
- 8.5 Kids in the Creek: no action until 2021
- 8.6 Trout in the Classroom: no action until 2021

9. REPORTS/UPDATES

9.1 Lake County Fire Safe Council Report - Laurie Hutchison: emailed.

- Extensive social media outreach and updates-especially during the LNU Lightning Fires Complex.
- Working with neighboring FSCs on obtaining CWPP info and ways to make updating less labor intensive.
- Continuing work with North Coast Opportunities (NCO) on different potential local events and opportunities adhering to Covid 19 restrictions.
- Continued work with Mendocino FSC to create Spanish language handouts. Looking into grant opportunities for more local event/project funding.
- Outreach to public regarding PSPS event preparation, during outages and updates via social media.
- Discussing grants and projects with various agencies.

Lyons added that he met with Hutchison, Juntunen and county representatives to discuss CWPP update, and on September 14 will meet with CLERC's Civic Spark Fellow who is going to provide assistance.

9.2 NRCS Report - Korinn Woodard. NRCS is wrapping up contract funding and moving forward with replanting at Tule Lake. She made a site visit and determined that the western border of the lake is the most suitable -- some of the site is too deep for tules.

9.3 Eightmile Valley Project - Greg Dills: fully executed contract with MBC construction was signed by both parties and sent to the Grant Manager. Construction is scheduled to begin in the third week of September.

9.4 Goats Rue Project - Greg Dills: between the heat, lighting storms, and smoke, limited eradication efforts were possible this reporting period, but Larry met on site with Ag Dept and BLM staff the third week of August to continue weed management.

9.5 CalTrans Revegetation Projects - Greg Dills. Middletown Project: he met with Lars Ewing and the Parks Superintendent to discuss the installation of an irrigation well; the County will draft an agreement for the Board to consider.. Hwy 53: he asked Tom Bendure to inspect to determine survival of the acorns planted last fall; we will probably need to do some replanting but still have grant money to cover.

9.6 Healthy Soils outreach - Greg Dills: on hold

9.7 President/Director Reports

- Lyons: he and Lincoln met with Lucas Patzek from Napa and Nancy Scholari from Marin to discuss the North Coast soil health project, and he wrote a letter of support for the county's PG&E grant application for flood outreach.
- Shoup: the Sacramento Valley RCD is going to have a fall meeting via Zoom but hasn't set a date yet. They are looking for Durable Collaboration opportunities for short turnaround projects.

- Brandon: gave our annual report to the BOS on August 18 and was very well received: Tina Scott would like to participate in an Eightmile Valley site visit if one is scheduled, and Rob Brown asked about the possibility of extending the Trout in the Classroom project to homeschoolers.

10. OLD BUSINESS: none

11. NEW BUSINESS

11.1. Agreement between the RCD and CLERC for CalFire grant project planning

Woodard: other RCDs got a Calfire grant for fuel reduction and forestry projects; in Lake County CLERC seemed best qualified to do the implementation but the RCD can be involved.. We still have a lot of hours left in the Napa RCD grant and can use some of them for Tom Bendure to start project planning. She had intended to have a draft agreement ready for Board approval today but wasn't able to get it finished in time.

Will Evans: Tom's work will complement CLERC's regional project approach and other work done by the Civic Spark Fellow. The project involves specific plans worked out with individual landowners to get more forest land under active management. They want to get project planning out of the way in order to begin on the ground work as soon as money is available.

12. GENERAL DISCUSSION : none

13. ADJOURN

MOTION: Velasquez moved and Shoup seconded to **adjourn the meeting** at 10:48AM.

Ayes: Brandon, Bridges, Lincoln, Lyons, Shoup, Velasquez

Noes: none

Absent: none

Abstained: none